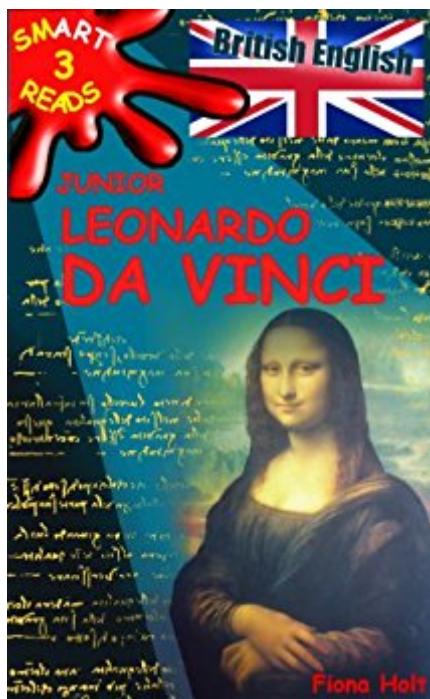


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# **Childrenâ€™s Educational Book: Junior Leonardo Da Vinci The Art Science And Inventions Of This Great Genius. Age 7 8 9 10 Year-olds. [British English] (â€˜SMART READS For Kidsâ€™ Information Book Book 3)**



## Synopsis

ABOUT â ^SMART READS for Kidsâ ™...â •Love Art, Love Learningâ •Welcome. Designed to expand & inspire young minds; this is a range of short educational eBooks (with supporting free online resources) for ages 7+. Although one great artistâ ™s (& in this case scientistâ ™s) life & work are always the central theme, wider learning is encouraged as follows:â ¢ Geography & History. Locations or events mentioned are always accompanied by a colourful map or a snippet of history so that the opportunity to learn some general knowledge doesn't pass the young reader by. [All colour images are large & high quality. GREYSCALE READERS ARE CATERED FOR, see below].â ¢ Vocabulary. A manageable number of new words are introduced & reused. They are always in bold with clear definitions & pronunciations. There is also a Glossary.â ¢ Maths. At least one maths statement & its accompanying calculation is always included.â ¢ Concentration. Each book is in the friendly first person & a trail of footprints always leads to a cartoon animal at the end. The author asks questions of the reader & there is always a quiz. These features keep kids engaged & encourage them to form their own opinions. There is a high ratio of images to text.

**ABOUT THIS BOOK** Da Vinci was of course far more than a great artist. The full journey of his life is covered including: An account of everyday Renaissance Italy with its tyrannous leaders, the historically precocious & inquisitive nature of Leonardoâ ™s mind, his inventions, the story of his secret mirror writing (which provides an opportunity to learn a little about shapes with symmetry) & the mysteries of the Mona Lisa. Thereâ ™s also a simple recipe for Renaissance paint & some dragon hunting! On this journey children will encounter all of da Vinciâ ™s most famous paintings & drawingsâ "no child will fail to be inspired.

**Details:** Locations Mapped: Present day & Renaissance Italy, Greece, France & The Ottoman Empire. Paintings and Drawings: 30 including: The Mona Lisa, The Last Supper, Vitruvian Man, sketches of flying, hydraulic & combat machines, The Baptism of Christ, Michelangeloâ ™s Sistine Chapel, The Virgin & Child with St. Anne & John the Baptist.

**Vocabulary Defined:** Anatomy, Apprenticeship, Baptism, Blood Vessels, Catapult, Circa, City state, Curiosity, Engineer, Euro, Genius, Infinite, Luxuries, Observe, Obsessed, Orbit, Polymath, Renaissance, Ridiculous & Symmetry.

**New Artists Introduced:** Michelangelo & Ingres.

**Broader Topics:** Why the Renaissance occurred, the importance of freethinking & the modern scientific method, the value of pursuing many interests & seeing projects through to the end.

**Online Resources:** -A colour slide show for teachers & GREYSCALE KINDLE USERS (password at the back of the book). A test version is available to try before you buy. Visit [theportraitplace.co.uk](http://theportraitplace.co.uk) and select â ^Hardware Solutionsâ ™ in the â ^SMART READS for Kidsâ ™ dropdown menu.

-Printable colouring sheets (incl. the Mona Lisa) & a childrenâ ™s fun design challenge.

**Words:** 3900 OTHER

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