

SELF PORTRAIT

Australian Artist - Brett Whiteley (1939-1992)



Brett Whiteley



Whiteley in his studio

(A place where artists work on their artworks)

'Self Portrait in the Studio'

Materials: Oil paints and collage on canvas

Size: 200 X 259cm

Painted in 1976

A PORTRAIT is an image representing an actual person. It may depict the head only or the whole person. Usually the face or figure is typically seen in a close up view, but the composition can be in any form the artist decides.

A SELF PORTRAIT is _____

Look carefully at the painting on the next page called '**Self Portrait in the studio**' by artist Brett Whiteley. Answer the following questions:-

1. Carefully list all the things you can see in the work.

2. Where is the artists face?

3. How much of the work does this take up?
4. Do you think this is a typical self portrait? Why / why not?
5. What can you tell about the artist by looking at the painting? E.g. What does he like, where is his studio?
6. If you were to create a self portrait in the same way Whiteley has, what items would you include and why? E.g. In my self portrait I would havebecause.....



'Self portrait in the studio' – Oil and collage on canvas – size 200x259cm – painted in 1976.