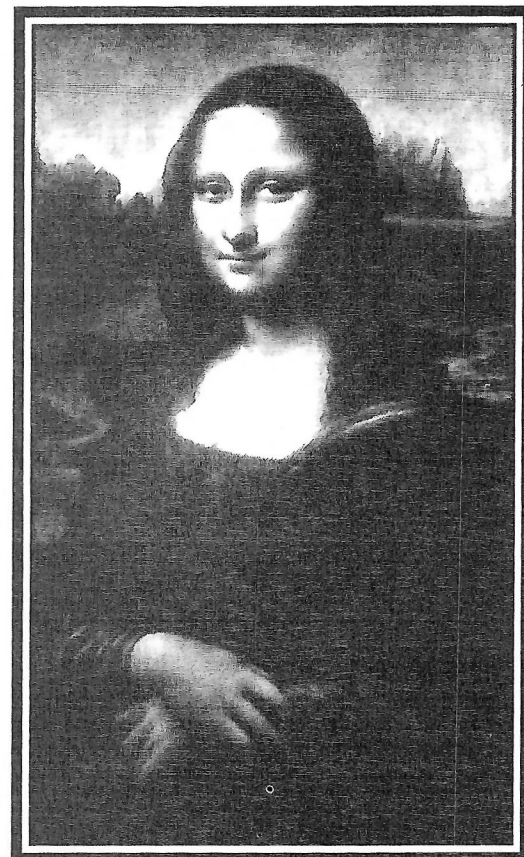


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A Famous Smile

The *Mona Lisa* is one of the world's most famous paintings. It was painted around the year 1503 by Leonardo da Vinci, an Italian artist who was also a great scientist and architect. Why do you think so many people through history have loved the *Mona Lisa*? Why do you think the woman in the painting is smiling? Make up a story about the mysterious woman.



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Mini-Prompts

Art: The *Mona Lisa* is an example of a portrait, a picture of a person that shows the person's face. If you were painting a portrait, whom would you paint? (It can be someone from history or someone you know today.) Why?