

# Mona Lisa's Sister

Leonardo da Vinci in 1502



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**Instructions:** Try to create a story about the discovery of the painting “Mona Lisa’s Sister” by Leonardo Da Vinci using the pictures as a guide. Then listen to the audio to compare stories.



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Sotheby's Auction House



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Sold for 25 Million Dollars !!!!



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Useful Vocabulary

Leonardo da Vinci, Mona Lisa, expert, attic, dust, Sotheby's, auction, fake, mystery, gallery, crowd

## Mona Lisa's Sister

Leonardo da Vinci, began painting the Mona Lisa, in 1503, and it was found in his house when he died in 1519. Many mysteries surround the painting. Who is Mona Lisa ? Why did he take so long to paint it? Did he paint other similar paintings? So, it was very exciting, when a worker found a painting, hidden, under several hundred years of dust, in the attic of an old house. The worker took it to an art expert, who believed, it might be, a long lost Leonardo da Vinci. It looks very similar to the Mona Lisa. Consequently, it was given the nickname, Mona Lisa's Sister. But no one is 100% sure, if it's real. Many experts, say it's a fake, but a very good fake. The painting, was so interesting, and mysterious, that an auction was then held at Sotheby's. It was bought, by a Leonardo da Vinci fanatic, for 25 million dollars. He said, "I don't care if it's not real. I just love everything about Leonardo da Vinci ,and I love the mystery". He then lent it to a famous art gallery, where crowds of people came to see the mysterious painting. It seems everyone, loves the mystery of Leonardo da Vinci.