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Leonardo da Vinci: The Renaissance Polymath

Short Answer Key

1. Leonardo da Vinci made significant contributions to both art, with famous paintings like the Mona Lisa, and science, where he studied anatomy and made inventions.
2. Sfumato is a technique involving the blending of colors and tones to create soft transitions. Leonardo used it to create the subtle, atmospheric effects seen in his paintings.
3. "The Vitruvian Man" is a study of human proportions, illustrating the relationship between the human body and geometry. It reflects Leonardo's interest in the ideal proportions of the human form.
4. Leonardo's notebooks contain thousands of pages filled with sketches, diagrams, and notes on a wide range of subjects, providing valuable insights into his life and work.
5. "The Mona Lisa" is considered one of the most famous paintings due to its enigmatic smile, exquisite technique, and the mystery surrounding the identity of the sitter.

