The word ‘ceramics’ comes from the Greek keramikos, meaning ‘pottery’. Ceramics and ceramic art have been used widely around the world for different purposes.

Recording your thoughts...

> How was it made/ decorated?
> Does the pattern tell a story?
> How has the design been influenced?
> Who was it made for?
> What is the purpose of the piece?
> What techniques have been used?

Good galleries to explore:
- Gallery 40: European ceramics
- Gallery 56: Arts of the renaissance
- Gallery 20: Aegean World
- Gallery 54: Delftware
- Gallery 16: Greece

Further resources
Ashmolean Education: www.ashmolean.org/learning-resources
Ashmolean Eastern Art Online: www.jameelcentre.ashmolean.org/