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LIFE IS SHORT, ART ETERNAL.

**ARS LONGU,  
VITA BREVIS.**



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Objects traditionally associated with Vanitas paintings had metaphorical meanings: to prompt the response:

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A Vanitas painting, included references to man's mortality, (a human skull, bones); Symbols of knowledge; arts and sciences (books, maps, and musical instruments), wealth and power (purses, jewellery, gold objects, swords, shells (rare collectors items), earthly pleasures of the senses (goblets, pipes, playing cards), symbols of transience (chronometers, burning candles, smoke, soap bubbles, fruit flowers and butterfies), peeled lemon and seafood, which is attractive to look at but like life can be bitter to taste; and, symbols of resurrection and eternal life (ears of corn or sprigs of ivy).