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1. Do some research into the artist Frida Kahlo by following this link <https://www.biography.com/artist/frida-kahlo>
2. Consider symbolism in this painting. What are the key symbols within this painting? What do you think are the meanings behind these symbols?
3. What life experiences that Frida Kahlo endured may have influenced her to make this painting?
4. Why do you think she chose to use animals to represent stories from her life?
5. What would you consider to be the mood of this painting? Provide a reason for your response.
6. There are 7 key visual elements SHAPE, LINE, PATTERN, COLOUR, TEXTURE, TONE & FORM. Write 2 paragraphs analysing this painting by commenting on each of the visual elements within the picture.