

Zara's Color Theory Flashcards

Learning objective: To identify and understand the relationships between primary, secondary, and tertiary colors, and explore the concepts of warm and cool tones.

Review these cards to help Zara the Zebra organize her art studio! Read the front of the card, then check the answer on the back to test your knowledge of color theory.

What are the three primary colors?

Red, yellow, and blue. These colors cannot be created by mixing other colors together.

How do you create a secondary color?

By mixing two primary colors together in equal amounts.

Which colors are the secondary colors?

Green (blue + yellow), orange (red + yellow), and purple (red + blue).

What is a tertiary color?

A color made by mixing a primary color with an adjacent secondary color, such as blue-green or red-orange.

What are 'warm' colors?

Colors that are associated with heat and sunshine, such as red, orange, and yellow.

What are 'cool' colors?

Colors that are associated with water, sky, and nature, such as blue, green, and purple.

What is a 'tint' in painting?

A color mixed with white to make it lighter and less intense.

What is a 'shade' in painting?

A color mixed with black to make it darker and deeper.

What are complementary colors?

Colors that are opposite each other on the color wheel, such as blue and orange, which create high contrast.

What does the term 'hue' mean?

Hue is another word for the name of a color itself, such as 'red' or 'violet'.