

Art

Primary and Secondary Colours/Colour Mixing

Outcome

- Elements of Art and Principles of Design: includes the correct use of the language of art and an understanding of basic structures of art works.

Time: 3 20-minute classes

Materials

- tempera paint in yellow, blue, red, and white
- umbrella templates
- 8 ½ X 14 sheets of paper
- manilla paper
- paintbrushes with small bristles
- SMARTBoard
- SMARTBoard presentation: "Primary Colours"
- gift tissue paper
- internet access

Sequence of Lesson

Day 1

- mini lesson on primary and secondary colours:
 - ask students what they think the primary colours are, and what a primary colour is (other colours can't mix together to make these primary colours)
 - show the primary colour wheel, ask if anyone knows what colours are made by the primary colours (blue and yellow make green, red and blue make purple, & red and yellow make orange). Explain that these are called secondary colours
 - go to http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/vtc/colour_mixing/eng/Introduction/default.htm and have some children come up to make secondary colours on the SMARTBoard

Day 2

- review the primary and secondary colours
- have the children paint the umbrella template:
 - they need at least one secondary colour
 - each section of the umbrella must be a different colour

Day 3

- have the students finish painting the umbrella
- have the students mix blue and white paint (explain that mixing white with paints changes the saturation of the colour they are working with)
- they will paint raindrops onto manilla paper; when it dries they will outline the raindrops in black permanent marker to make them “pop”
- they will cut out their umbrellas and glue them to the pieces of tissue paper
- they will then glue the tissue paper onto the manilla paper (the tissue paper is used in order to have a 3-D effect)

Assessment: Rubric (formal)

	Yes	No
Student used at least one secondary colour.		
All 4 sections of the umbrella are different colours.		
Student mixed white with blue effectively.		

A Student's Finished Product:

