



Monochrome Layered Patterns

Middle primary - Senior Primary

LESSON PLAN

TITLE: Monochrome Layered Patterns

YEAR LEVELS: Middle primary - Senior Primary

TIME FRAME: 2 x 1 hour lessons

LEARNING GOALS

To understand what monochromatic colours are and how to create them

To develop skills in mixing colours and painting

SKILLS

In this lesson students explore monochromatic colours and how to mix them using acrylic paints. Students create layered patterns using repeating shapes. Once students have filled their page with shapes using a permanent marker they will mix different tones of one colour to paint each shape on their page.

MATERIALS

Acrylic paint
Permanment marker
Cartridge paper
Small brushes
ruler or Shape template (optional)

ACTIVITY BREAKDOWN

Lesson 1

Explore monochromatic colours as a class. Discuss what monochromatic means and how you can mix different tints and shades using the one colour and adding white or black. Students use a black marker and a ruler or template to draw shapes on their page. Students can choose one shape to repeat at different scales ensuring that areas of their repeating shapes overlap. Students continue drawing their shapes until most of their page is full.

Lesson 2

Students practice mixing different tints and tones starting from a base colour of their choice. Students should create at least 5 different variations of their chosen colour to use in their work. Students use these colours and choose sections of their shapes to paint. Students should focus on painting a different colour in each shape. Once all of their shapes have been painted students can mount and display their work as a class.

REFLECTION / EXTENSION

Reflection: Students analyse how colour, scale and space is used in their work. Students can reflect on the process they went through to create different tones in their work.

Extension: Students can challenge themselves to create a new tint or shade in every shape they have drawn to create a large variety of colours.