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Class _____

Date _____

By the end of this worksheet I can...

- ☐ identify primary, secondary and tertiary colours
- ☐ explain warm, cool, advancing, receding, harmony, contrast, tints, shades and mood
- ☐ explain accent colour

I DO

Worked example Read how a full-mark answer is built

A designer lightens a purple background for a children's leaflet.

1 State what is added to create a tint, and name two tertiary colours. (3 marks)

Points that earn marks from the marking instructions: one ✓ per point

- ✓ Add white
- ✓ Any two tertiary colours, e.g. red-orange, red-violet, yellow-green, blue-green

WE DO

Guided practice Use the starters and word bank to help you

A poster uses a red "SALE" banner on a blue background.

2 Explain why red was chosen for the banner. (1 mark)

Sentence starters

One reason is ... because ...
Another reason is ... so ...

Word bank

banner · advancing · colour · background ·
contrasts · forward · stands

Tip: 1 marks = 1 separate, developed points.

YOU DO

On your own No notes. Check your answers afterwards.

3 Quick check: tick one box for each.

a) To make a tint you add...

- ☐ Black ☐ White ☐ Grey ☐ The complementary colour

b) Red and green are...

- ☐ Harmonious (next to each other) ☐ Both cool colours ☐ Contrasting (complementary) ☐ Both tertiary colours

c) Which colours seem to come forward?

- ☐ Cool colours ☐ Greys ☐ Tints only ☐ Warm colours

d) Blue, blue-green and green together are...

- ☐ Harmonious ☐ Contrasting ☐ Warm ☐ Primary

4 Key terms: write the letter of the matching description next to each term.

1. Primary colours	___	A A colour with white added.
2. Secondary colours	___	B Orange, green, purple.
3. Tertiary colour	___	C A primary mixed with a neighbouring secondary, e.g. red-orange.
4. Tint	___	D Red, yellow, blue.
5. Shade	___	E A colour with black added.
6. Advancing colours	___	F Warm colours that seem to come forward.

5 Explain what is meant by 'Receding colours'. (2 marks)

6 Explain what is meant by 'Harmonious colours'. (2 marks)

7 Explain what is meant by 'Contrasting colours'. (2 marks)

Check and reflect

Mark your answers with the answer sheet. Go back to the checklist on the site and re-rate each "I can" statement above. Which one still needs work?
