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What is Color Mixing

Unlock the Magic of Color Mixing!

DEFINITION

> Color mixing is the process of combining different colors to create new ones. It helps artists and kids understand how colors interact and change.

KEY CONCEPTS

Primary Colors

Primary colors are red, blue, and yellow. They cannot be made by mixing other colors.

Secondary Colors

Secondary colors are made by mixing two primary colors, like green from blue and yellow.

Tertiary Colors

Tertiary colors are created by mixing a primary color with a secondary color, like red-orange.

Warm and Cool Colors

Warm colors (like red and yellow) evoke energy, while cool colors (like blue and green) feel calm.

Color Wheel

The color wheel visually represents colors and their relationships, helping with color mixing decisions.

EXAMPLES

→ Mix red and blue to make purple.

→ Combine yellow and blue to create green.

→ Blend red and yellow for orange.

MEMORY TIPS

★ Remember 'RYB' for primary colors: Red, Yellow, Blue.

★ Think of 'ROYGBIV' for the rainbow to recall color order.

★ Use the phrase 'Mix it up!' to remember mixing creates new colors.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Mixing too many colors can create muddy results.

✗ Confusing primary and secondary colors.

✗ Not understanding that colors can look different on paper versus in paint.

QUICK RECAP

Color mixing is combining colors to create new ones. Remember primary, secondary, and tertiary colors for successful mixing. Use the color wheel to guide your choices!