Color Mixing Lesson

A simple classroom guide for teaching primary, secondary, and blended colors.

Colors come together to create something beautiful!

1. PRIMARY COLORS

These are the 3 main colors. They cannot be made by mixing other colors.

RED YELLOW BLUE

Remember: Primary colors are the building blocks of all other colors!

2. SECONDARY COLORS

These colors are made by mixing two primary colors together.

RED + YELLOW = ORANGE

YELLOW + BLUE = GREEN

BLUE + RED = PURPLE

3. BLENDED COLORS

These colors are made by mixing a primary color with a secondary color (or by adding more of one color to another).

RED + ORANGE = REDDISH ORANGE

BLUE + GREEN = BLUISH GREEN

YELLOW + GREEN = YELLOWISH GREEN

4. HOW TO DO A COLOR MIXING ACTIVITY

1. Start with your primary colors: **red, yellow, and blue.**
2. Use a clean brush for each color. Mix two colors **at a time.**
3. Observe the new color you created. **Name** it!
4. Try mixing again with different combinations!
5. Record your results in a color chart.











TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Use a small amount of paint.
- Mix thoroughly.
- Clean your brush when switching colors.
- Experiment and have fun!



There are endless colors to discover— keep mixing, keep creating!

QUICK REFERENCE CHART

Primary Colors	RED	YELLOW	BLUE
Secondary Colors	ORANGE (Red + Yellow)	GREEN (Yellow + Blue)	PURPLE (Blue + Red)
Blended Examples	REDDISH ORANGE	BLUISH GREEN	YELLOWISH GREEN

Mix, explore, and let your creativity shine!

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