

Exercise walk-through

Color ■ 1.4

eXercise

You must be able to

- name the **primary** 原色, **secondary** 间色, and **tertiary colors** 三次色
- define **hue** 色相, **value** 明度, and **saturation** 饱和度
- use **complementary** 互补色 and **analogous** 类似色 schemes
- distinguish **warm** 暖色 from **cool colors** 冷色

Method — The color wheel

Primary colours (red, yellow, blue) mix to make **secondary** (orange, green, violet); mixing a primary with a neighbour gives a **tertiary** colour.

Method — Properties of colour

Hue is the colour name; **value** is its lightness; **saturation** is its intensity. Adjusting these changes a colour's feel.

Method — Schemes and temperature

Complementary colours sit opposite on the wheel (high contrast); **analogous** colours sit next to each other (harmony). **Warm** colours advance, **cool** colours recede.

Practice 2.1 ■ 1 mark

Colours directly opposite each other on the colour wheel are

A analogous

B complementary

C monochromatic

D primary

Solution 2.1

Method: Schemes and temperature

- A analogous
- B complementary
- C monochromatic
- D primary



Worked steps

B. opposite colours are complementary.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Define saturation.

Solution 2.2

Worked steps

the intensity/purity of a colour **B1**; a highly saturated colour is vivid, a desaturated one is dull/grey **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 1 mark

State one effect of using a complementary colour scheme.

Solution 2.3

Worked steps

strong contrast / colours make each other appear more vivid **B1**.