

VALUE

Using light to create art

One of the seven elements of art, **VALUE** is how light or dark a color is in a painting or drawing.

Value creates the illusion of light. An artist can combine light colors (tints) with dark colors (shades) and add highlights and shadows to help us imagine where a light source (like the sun) is coming from and how the light reflects off an object or how it might cast a shadow.

The **VALUE SCALE** shown below is for gray tones that go all the way from pure white on one side to pure black on the other side.



Now, think about how value affects other colors:

TINTS are light values created when mixing a color with white.

Examples: Pink is a tint of red. Lavender is a tint of purple. Light blue is a tint of blue.

SHADES are dark values created when mixing a color with black.

Examples: Navy is a shade of blue. Dark purple is a shade of purple. Maroon is a shade of red.

Values can also be seen in **HIGHLIGHTS**, which are the areas on an object where light is hitting, and **SHADOWS**, which are the areas on an object where light does not hit or where an object blocks light (like the shadows cast by the trees in the picture below).

The word games in this worksheet will help you learn a few of the ways to describe **VALUE**.

Have fun!



LOOK UP AND DOWN AND ACROSS TO FIND THESE HIDDEN WORDS ABOUT VALUE

Color	Highlights	Shades	Tints
Dark	Hue	Shadows	Tone
Gradient	Light	Source	Value

S	E	F	V	U	C	U	I	G	U	W	E	A	S	O	B	I
Z	K	W	C	L	I	X	S	W	C	G	D	R	Z	T	Z	Z
B	V	B	D	Z	U	N	M	Q	O	Z	V	I	Y	R	Y	Z
U	T	M	V	S	P	K	K	U	L	Z	N	Q	J	V	C	X
B	O	Z	Z	P	X	Q	G	C	O	S	V	L	L	R	H	S
V	N	B	J	T	I	I	P	S	R	T	L	F	I	A	M	K
A	E	E	M	G	R	A	D	I	E	N	T	J	G	N	I	Y
L	D	Q	T	J	I	L	M	D	D	G	U	U	H	V	W	Q
U	B	V	Q	S	D	R	H	Q	Z	P	L	H	T	V	E	P
E	F	D	R	P	V	N	B	M	C	L	U	U	E	E	L	Q
R	Q	S	N	F	T	I	N	T	S	W	N	E	S	I	H	E
V	Z	E	P	S	F	F	R	M	O	F	V	T	S	I	S	Z
V	Q	X	T	X	H	I	G	H	L	I	G	H	T	S	H	Q
F	S	H	A	D	O	W	S	G	D	J	L	T	F	M	A	T
R	E	N	B	C	N	D	M	E	A	Q	R	N	E	H	D	P
S	O	U	R	C	E	E	S	S	R	D	E	C	A	Z	E	W
L	T	J	D	M	U	K	X	E	K	W	H	D	S	B	S	N

Unscramble these words about VALUE

(HINT: They are the same as the Word Search)

1. LRCCO _____

2. KDRA _____

3. RGDTNIEA _____

4. HLHSIGTGHI _____

5. UHE _____

6. ILTGH _____

7. SHEASD _____

8. OWSAHS _____

9. UCSOER _____

10. TINST _____

11. TONE _____

12. ALVEU _____