



DID YOU KNOW you can make your own palette with just three colours – red, blue, and yellow? These are called **primary colours**.

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Activity

MAKE YOUR OWN PALETTE

Artists often arrange their colors on a board called a **palette**. They always put each color in the same spot, so they know exactly where to find it. You can make your own palette with just three colors—red, blue, and yellow. These are called **primary colors**. All other colors can be made from the three primary colors. Try this yourself.

DIRECTIONS

1. Put on the apron, smock, or T-shirt to protect your clothes. Cover your workspace with newspaper.
2. Put a spoon in each of the three colors of paint. Spoon some of each color onto the pie tin. This is your basic palette.
3. With a cotton swab, blend a small amount of red and yellow paint together. Then with a clean swab, blend yellow and blue. Blend blue and red with a clean swab. What colors do you get? Green, orange, and purple are **secondary colors**. Try mixing more colors with your palette of primary colors.

MATERIALS

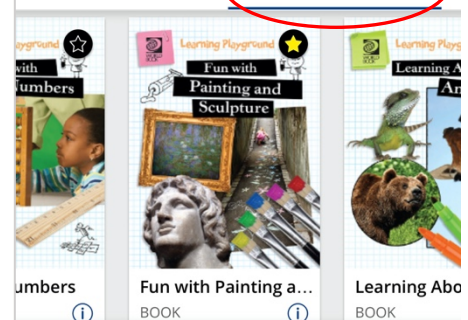
- Apron, smock, or old T-shirt
- Newspaper
- Spoon
- 3 spoons
- Red, yellow, and blue paint
- Aluminium pie tin
- Cotton swabs
- 1 or more paintbrushes
- Several sheets of plain paper

Try mixing a little more red or a little more yellow with orange. What happens? What happens when you add more blue or more yellow to green? What happens when you add more blue or red to purple?

Pick your favorite colors from your palette and paint a picture on the paper.

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Fun Facts:



Painting is one of the oldest and most important arts.



The process of painting has not changed over time, but the materials and techniques have changed greatly.