

#### Aim

• To learn about the work of Wassily Kandinsky and create a circles painting, using the colours I have mixed myself.

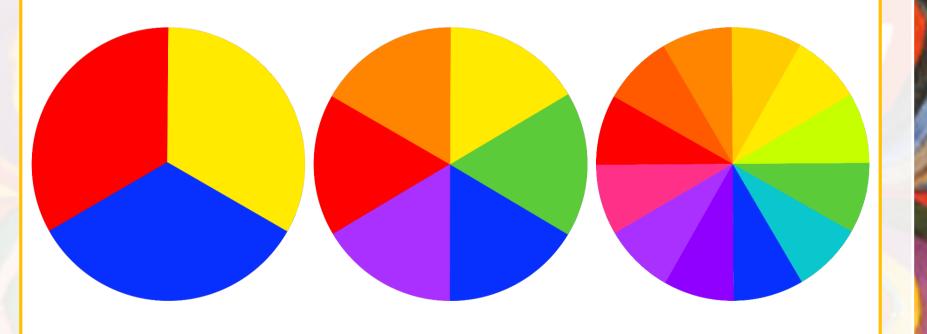
#### **Success Criteria**

- I can mix colours, tints and shades.
- I can use my colours to paint a circles painting.
- I can tell you an interesting fact about Wassily Kandinsky.
- I can tell you about one of Kandinsky's paintings.



## Colour Mixing

We have been learning about colour mixing.



## **Primary Colours**

We have learnt about the **primary** colours.

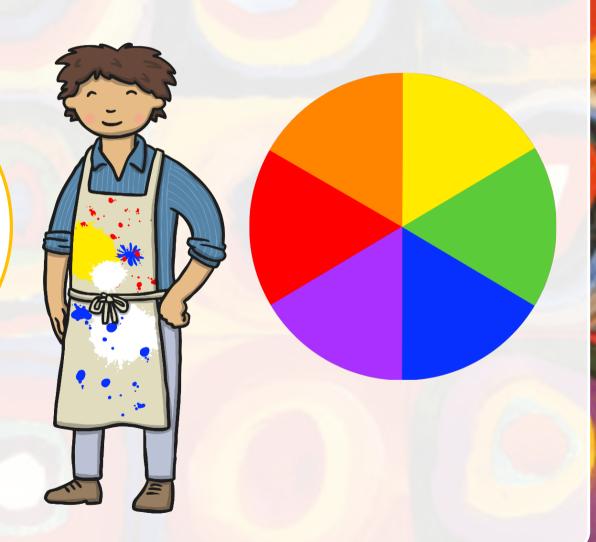




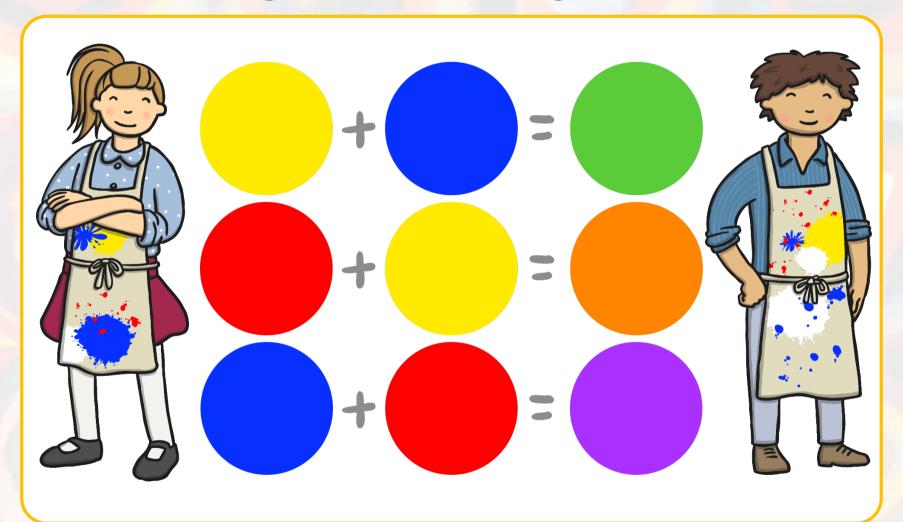
## Secondary Colours

We have learnt about **secondary** colours.

You use the **primary** colours to mix these.



## Mixing Secondary Colours



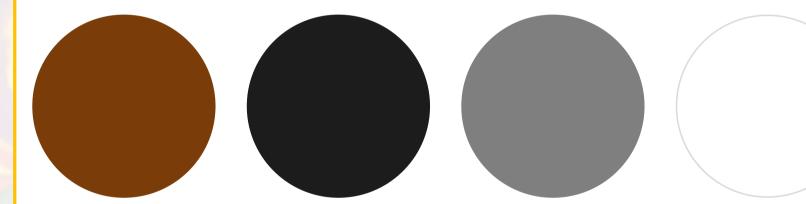
## Mixing Secondary Colours

We have practiced mixing lots more colours!



### Neutral Colours

We have learnt about neutral colours.



## **Mixing Tints**

If we add white to a colour, we can make tints.

This makes a colour lighter.



## Mixing Shades

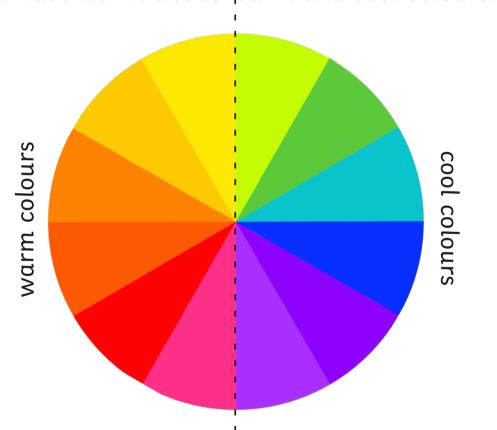
If we add black to a colour, we can make shades.

This makes the colour darker.



#### Warm and Cool Colours

We have learnt about warm and cool colours.



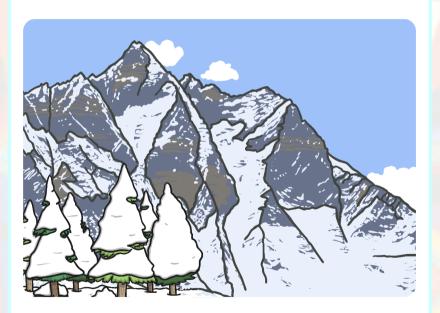
#### Warm Colours

Red, orange, and yellow are warm colours. They make us think of sunny, warm and cosy things.



#### **Cool Colours**

Green, blue and purple are cool colours. They make us think of fresh, calm and chilly things.





Today we are going to use all the colours!



## Wassily Kandinsky

Wassily Kandinsky was a Russian painter. Many people think he was the first abstract artist.



**Abstract Painting**by Wassily Kandinsky

#### All about Wassily Kandinsky

(1866 - 1944)

Russian

Wassily Kandinsky was born in Russia, in 1866. When he grew up, he worked as a teacher at a university but it didn't make him happy.

When he was 30, he left his job and went to art school. He found art school easy and was very good at his studies.

Kandinsky thought a lot about what colours mean and how they make people feel. He believed that colours had a soul.



**Wassily Kandinsky** 

#### All about Wassily Kandinsky (1866 - 1944)

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He was the first painter to stop painting pictures of things and instead paint just using colours and shapes. He believed that this let him paint honestly about his feelings.

Often Kandinsky would listen to music while he painted and try to paint what he heard.

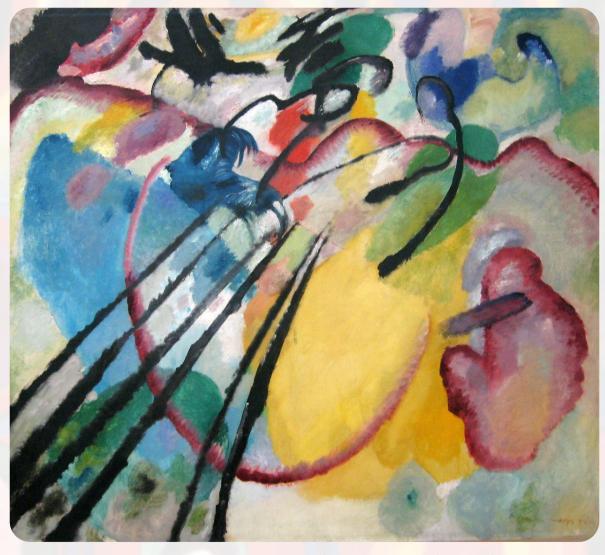
All the other painters we have found out about learned a lot from Kandinsky's ideas.





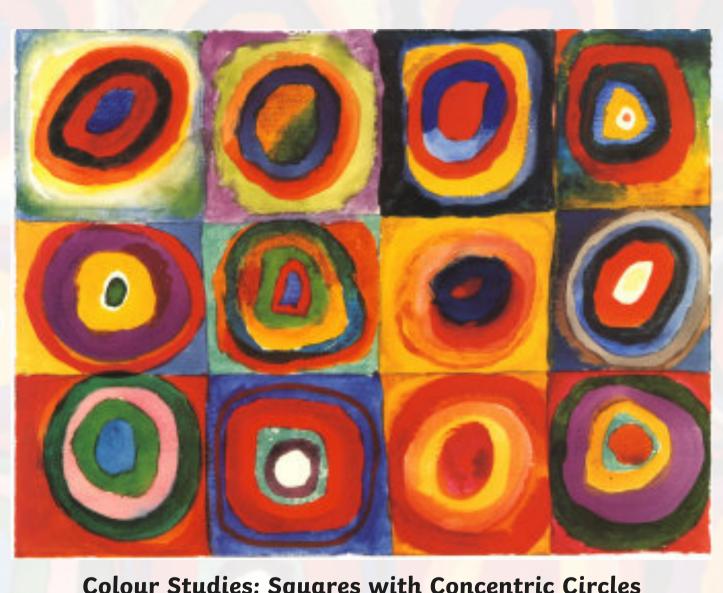
Red Spot II (1921) by Wassily Kandinsky

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Improvisation 26 (Rowing) (1912) by Wassily Kandinsky

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Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles
by Wassily Kandinsky

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#### Looking at Abstract Art: Colour Studies: Squares with Concentric Circles (1913)





What do you see when you look at this painting?

How has the painting been made?

What kind of colours does Kandinsky use?

How would you describe these colours?

What shapes can you see?

What kind of lines can you see?

How do you think Kandinsky was feeling when he painted this?

How does the painting make you feel?

Do you like it? Why?

## Kandinsky Circle Painting



#### You will need...



- 1. Experiment with mixing colours together. Use white to make them lighter, and black to make them darker. Practice until you have lots of colours that you like.
- 2. In each square of your template, paint a dot. Use a different colour for each one.
- 3. Remember: Swish, wipe and blot!
- 4. Round each dot, paint a circle in a different colour.
- 5. Round each circle, paint an even bigger circle in a new colour.
- 6. Finally, fill in any white space you have left in each square in another colour.





# Sharing and Celebrating Our Artwork!





Walk around the classroom and look at the

paintings that everyone has created.

Think about your painting.
What feeling do you think that
your painting shows?



