

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will understand the basic principles of interior design, including color theory, space planning, and the importance of personal style. The student will create a simple room design concept using these principles.

Materials and Prep

- Paper and colored pencils or markers
- Ruler or measuring tape
- Magazines or printed images of furniture and decor (optional)
- Notebook for notes
- Access to a computer or tablet for research (optional)

Before the lesson, familiarize yourself with basic design concepts such as color wheels, furniture styles, and room layouts. It might be helpful to look at examples of different interior designs online or in magazines.

Activities

- **Color Wheel Exploration:**

Start by creating a color wheel using colored pencils or markers. This will help you understand how different colors work together. Choose a color scheme for your room design based on complementary or analogous colors.

- **Room Layout Design:**

Using a ruler, draw a simple floor plan of a room you want to design. Include measurements for furniture placement. Think about how to maximize space and flow within the room.

- **Style Inspiration Board:**

Create a mood board by cutting out images from magazines or printing pictures online. This board should represent your personal style and the vibe you want to achieve in your room.

- **Room Concept Presentation:**

Prepare a short presentation where you explain your design choices. Discuss your color scheme, layout, and inspiration. This will help you practice articulating your ideas clearly.

Talking Points

- "Interior design is all about creating spaces that are not only beautiful but also functional. What do you want your space to say about you?"
- "Color can change the mood of a room. For example, blue is often calming, while yellow can be energizing. What colors do you feel most comfortable with?"
- "Space planning is essential. You want to make sure there's enough room to move around without bumping into furniture. How can you arrange your furniture to make the most of your space?"
- "Your personal style is what makes your design unique. Think about what you love—do you prefer modern, rustic, or eclectic designs?"
- "Textures and materials play a big role in design. Mixing soft and hard materials can create a more interesting and inviting space. What textures do you enjoy?"

- "Lighting is crucial in interior design. It can highlight features of a room or create a cozy atmosphere. How can you use light to enhance your design?"
- "Design is about problem-solving. If something doesn't work, don't be afraid to try something new. What challenges do you think you might face in your design?"
- "Remember, there are no strict rules in design—only guidelines. Feel free to experiment and make it your own!"