KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

How do designers use pattern, colour and nature to create effective designs?

MY LEARNING JOURNEY

1. How can a mood board help generate design ideas?
2. How do designers develop images into patterns?
3. How can batik be used to create patterns on fabric?
4. How do designers create repeating patterns?
5. Why do designers create products for different purposes?

Previously, I learnt to…

- Use observation when creating artwork.
- Use tone and texture in my work.
- Draw objects in proportion.
- Create artwork using contrast.
- Explore printmaking techniques.

In this unit, I am learning to…

- ❑ Describe colours, objects and images using art vocabulary.
- ❑ Collect and organise ideas on a mood board.
- ❑ Choose a colour palette for a theme.
- ❑ Draw designs inspired by nature.
- ❑ Create and identify repeating patterns.
- ❑ Explore William Morris and other designers.
- ❑ Use batik to create fabric designs.
- ❑ Evaluate and improve my designs.

Looking ahead: In Year 6, I will learn to…

- Use photography and digital techniques.
- Combine images in photomontages.
- Use composition independently.
- Adapt ideas from a design brief.
- Evaluate and refine my creative work.

VOCABULARY

Word	Meaning
Craft	Something creative and useful.
Design	A decorative pattern or drawing of what something might look like.
Pattern	A design made from repeated shapes, colours or lines.
Repeat	When the same thing happens more than once.
Theme	Similar ideas that work together as a group.
Colour Palette	A group of colours chosen to work well together.
Mood Board	A collection of images and colours showing a project theme.
Batik	A technique used to create patterns on fabric.
Industry	Companies and organisations that design and make products.

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Themes and Colour Palettes

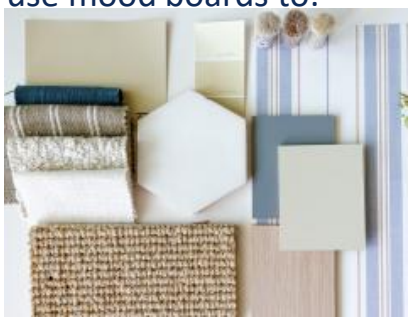
A theme is a group of ideas that work together.
A colour palette is a group of colours chosen to work well together.
Designers choose colours to create a particular effect.

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Mood Boards

A mood board collects images, colours and ideas based on a theme.

Artists and designers use mood boards to:
* collect inspiration
* develop ideas
* choose colours
* identify patterns



Mood boards help organise and develop ideas.

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Craft and Design Industries

Designers create products for many industries, including:
* textiles
* wallpaper
* clothing
* packaging

Designs are created for both beauty and purpose.

4

Patterns and Repetition

Patterns repeat shapes, colours or lines.
Repeating patterns create balance, order and decoration.
Designers often look for patterns in nature.

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William Morris and Nature

William Morris often used:
* plants
* flowers
* leaves
* repeating patterns

His work shows how nature can inspire design.



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Batik

Batik creates patterns on fabric.
The glue batik process:
1) Draw a design using glue.
2) Paint over the design.
3) Wash away the glue.

This leaves a patterned fabric design.

