

Subject: Art and Design		Key stage: Year 7's
Key Word	Definition	
Formal Elements:		
Colour	The variations of hue, brightness, saturation, warm and cool colours to produce a desired mood.	
Line	A single long or short mark made by an implement	
Tone	Different degrees of lightness and darkness used to give the illusion of depth or form.	
Form	A solid 3-dimensional object or the appearance/illusion of 3D by using tone.	
Shape	An area defined by a closed line or block of colour.	
Pattern	How the surface of something:- feels (tactile) looks (surface qualities that transfer in textile illusions)	
Principal Elements		
Composition	The arrangement of the formal elements within a picture plane to complete a whole.	
Scale	The size of elements in relationship to each other.	
Space	Taken up by (positive) or in-between (negative) objects.	
Unity	The arrangement of the formal elements as a harmonious whole which works together to produce a desired statement.	
Adjacent (colours)	Colours that sit next to each other on the colour wheel	
Complementary (colours)	Colours that sit opposite each other on the colour wheel	
Tertiary (colour)	A mix between a primary and secondary colour.	
Tint	A hue that has been mixed with white	
Shade	A hue that has been mixed with black	
Hue	Pure colour	
Techniques:		
Drawing	A graphic representation by lines of an object or idea	
Painting	A picture or design executed in paints	
Collage	Various materials pasted on to a single surface	
Frottage	Rubbings often using wax from textured surfaces	
Sgraffito	Scratching through a surface layer to reveal a lower layer in a contrasting colour.	
Wax Resist	The use of a waxy medium to create a design with a wash of colour layered on top to create a desired effect.	
Pen and Wash	A pen drawing diluted with water.	
Mixed-media	A combination of techniques applied for different effects	
Analysis	A presentation, usually in writing that determines the essential features of something. (In this case an artwork)	
Descriptive	Describing e.g. an object using the formal elements	
Suggestive	Suggest an object, mood or feeling using the formal elements	
Expressive	Create meaning through the use of the formal element	

