

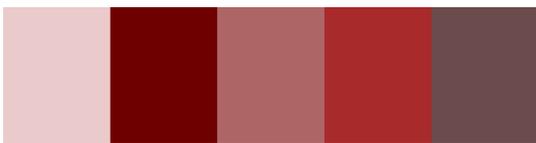
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What does monochrome mean?

Monochrome is a big word for a simple meaning. It means using various shades of the same color. Did you know that years ago TV was only in various shades of one color? Gray! The color TV wasn't invented until 1946. That is only 74 years ago. The world's first electronic TV was created by a 21-year-old inventor named Philo Taylor Farnsworth in 1927. That was over 93 years ago. It was called a 'black and white' TV or a Monochrome television. Various shades of gray were used to show distinction among the characters and story elements. You can gain further understanding of examples of monochrome

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Does this mean monochrome is only black and white? Mono means 'one' and chrome comes from the science element chromium which is Greek for 'color'. Monochrome means one color! Below are examples of palettes of various shades of one color.



Cherry Monochrome Color Palette



Blue Monochrome Color Palette

Challenge:

Do you have any paint at home? Try mixing just one color with black and white to create your own color palette.

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Tunnel & Pop Up Books: Tunnel, or pop-up books have been around at least since the 13th century, where a Catalan mystic named Ramon Llull of Majorca created a similar form using a revolving disk. This form was primarily used for teaching purposes. The first application of pop-up books was for entertainment purposes in 18th century children's books. In 1810 S&J Fuller Inc. began making "toilet books" or "peep shows", where one uncovers content underneath a flap. The first mass-produced books where items moved were made by Dean & Son in the 1860s, who by 1900 had published at least fifty titles. The McLoughlin Brothers of New York produced the first American 3-D books that moved. They issued a "Little Showman's Series" in the 1880s each containing 3-D scenes. Blue Ribbon Publishers first coined the term "pop-up" for their product. In the mid-1960s Graphics International produced some of the first modern pop-up books that led to a popular acceptance of the craft.

Tunnel books were inspired from the layering of actual theatrical stage sets. The study of stage design throughout history is explained here:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scenic_design



It has been speculated that the name "tunnel book" was inspired by the construction of tunnels under the Thames river in the 18th century.

Challenge:

Just as in a tunnel book, lay out your life in a series of "layers." Make a drawing of a series of scenes from your life. Have each layer represent a unit of time (year) or a major event in your life. If you want, allow each layer to have a big enough hole in it to reveal the lower layer so you can see the totality of your life in a graphic representation, demonstrating how each layer relates to the next. Think about what a "layer" is in this context. What are layers in your life?

Do you want to animate it? How would you? You can also just make it into a flip book and see it as a primitive motion picture. What is the title of your movie?