Lesson 8 - Colour

Science - Physics - Key Stage 3

Light and Space

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Recap questions

- 1. What happens to light waves when it meets a mirror surface?
- 2. Where do light rays need to meet to produce a clear image?
- 3. What 3 things can happen to light waves when they meet a surface?
- 4. What happens to a light ray when it travels from air into water?
- 5. What is different about the properties of air and water that causes this?



Fill in the gaps:

Red

Yellow

Blue

Violet



Complete the following gap fill:

White light is made up of the	colours of the	light spectrum.
These colours include; red, orang	ge,, green, b	lue, and
, in order of lowest freq	uency to highest fre	quency. White light
can be caused to split into the co	olours by using a	this is called
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Key words: dispersion, 7, indigo, prism, yellow, visible, violet



- answer the following questions

- 1. Explain why a red car appears red.
- 2. Why do objects appear black?
- 3. Which colour in the visible light spectrum has the highest frequency?
- 4. Draw a ray diagram to show how a green apple appears green.



- answer the following questions

- 1. Explain why a red t-shirt will appear red under white light.
- 2. What colour will a blue hat appear under green light?
- 3. If we mix red, green and blue together, what colour is made?
- 4. Explain why a green car appears green in daylight.
- 5. What colour is made is red and green are mixed?



Answers



Recap questions

- What happens to light waves when they meet a mirror surface?
 They are mostly reflected
- 2. Where do light rays need to meet to produce a clear image? The retina (not just the 'back of the eye')
- 3. What 3 things can happen to light waves when they meet a surface? **Reflected, transmitted, absorbed**
- 4. What happens to a light ray when it travels from air into water?

 Refraction
- 5. What is different about the properties of air and water that causes this?

 Air is less dense than water



Fill in the gaps

Red

Orange

Yellow

Green

Blue

Indigo

Violet



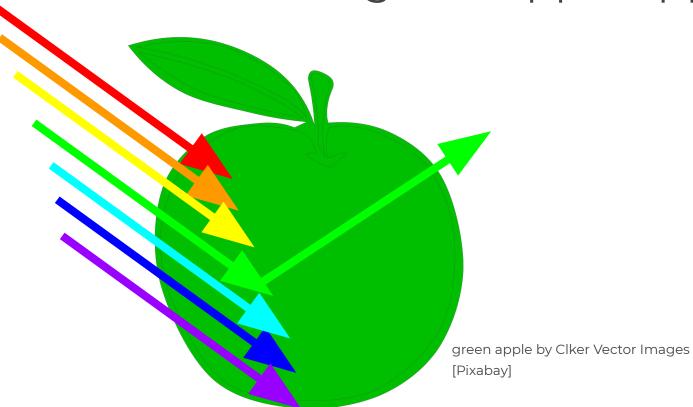
Complete the following gap fill:

White light is made up of the 7 colours of the visible light spectrum. These colours include; red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet, in order of lowest frequency to highest frequency. White light can be caused to split into the colours by using a prism - this is called dispersion.

Key words: dispersion, 7, indigo, prism, yellow, visible, violet



- 1. Explain why a red car appears red. **All other colours absorbed, red is reflected**
- 2. Why do objects appear black? All colours absorbed, no colour reflected
- 3. Which colour in the visible light spectrum has the highest frequency? Violet
- 4. Draw a ray diagram to show how a green apple appears green.





- 1. Explain why a red t-shirt will appear red under white light.
 - The red is reflected and all other colours are absorbed by the t-shirt
- 2. What colour will a blue hat appear under green light?
 - The hat will appear black because no light is reflected
- 3. If we mix red, green and blue together, what colour is made? White
- 4. Explain why a green car appears green in daylight.
 - The green is reflected and all other colours are absorbed
- 5. What colour is made is red and green are mixed?

Yellow

