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Exploring Value

Description: Practice shading as you focus on creating value scales using varying drawing techniques.

Recommended Ages: 12+

Materials:

- Printer Paper
- Pencil
- Printer/ Computer

Procedure:

- 1. Print the Value Scale Worksheet included in the following page.
- 2. Begin by shading the squares labelled 'shading' below the value scale. You will want to try to match the value that is shown in the square directly above your square. In order to shade, you will start by using very light pressure in order to achieve light values. You will gradually apply more pressure to your pencil to achieve darker values. You will use a coloring, back and forth, stroke with each stroke placed close to the other.



3. Next, you are going to complete the squares labelled 'hatching' below the value scale. You will again wat to try to match the value that is shown in the square your square. Hatching is a shading technique that uses closely spaced parallel lines. This technique requires patience. In order to achieve darker values, you will put more lines, closer together. To achieve lighter values, you will put fewer lines spread farther apart.



4. Finally, you are going to complete the squares labelled 'cross-hatching' below the value scale. Crosshatching is the use of of lines drawing in parallel closely together. Begin by replicating the hatching technique you just completed. Now, add a second set of parallel lines at a right angle to your first. Just as before, the closer lines are placed together, the darker the shading will appear.

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