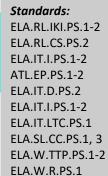


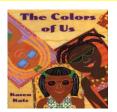
Researching And Labeling Paint Colors











Materials:

- The Colors of Us
- fiction and non-fiction books about color
- paint samples
 - Paint cards
- child-created paints
- writing utensils
- paper, ready-made labels, tape

Preparation: Set up materials.

Vocabulary:

- label
- research
- inspire

Intro to Centers:

"In *The Colors of Us,* Lena and her mom went to a paint store. What do you notice?"

"The paints on the shelves were *labeled*- each paint had a name."

"Why would it be helpful to *label* the paints in the store?"

"We learned that color names can be inspired by objects, nature, food, and emotions."

"Today in Library & Listening you can use these materials to *research* colors."

"How could you record your color research?"

"Use these materials to create *labels* in Writing & Drawing. You could use the *labels* for the paint colors you mix in the Art Studio."

Show illustrations. Children respond.

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During Centers:

Encourage children to use a variety of strategies to create labels (sounding out, copying a model, dictating, using illustrations, etc.). Refer to The Lion and the Little Red Bird where colors are compared/connected to specific objects (i.e., "orange as a butterfly", "orange as the setting sun", etc.). Encourage children to collaborate- one child researches, another child writes labels, etc.

Guiding Questions during Centers:

- What inspired you to name/ label this paint _____?
- What sort of illustration could someone create with this paint?
- What did you learn from your research about the color ?
- How is labeling paint colors similar to or different from writing your name on your artwork or labeling centers in our classroom?

Thinking & Feedback: Invite children to share their processes. Encourage children to describe the challenges they might have encountered.

Documentation: Collect samples of the children's work as well as photographs and/or video of their process; use the documentation to launch a discussion during Thinking and Feedback.

Provocation:

Encourage children to label paint sample cards from Tinting and Shading. Create a paint mixing and labeling station in the Art Studio for children to create paint as needed.



