



### What should I already know?

- A colour wheel can help us mix colours.
- Some colour wheel contains 12 colours: 3 primary, 3 secondary and 6 tertiary. It also shows warm and cool colours.
- Line can be used to create shapes that can be filled in with colour.



### About the artist

- The artist Wassily Kandinsky was born in Moscow, Russia on 4th December 1866.
- He became famous as one of the first painters of Abstract Art.
- As a young man he studied law and did not study painting until he was already 30.
- His work developed over time, influenced by Monet and Matisse - becoming more abstract.
- He used shape and colour to show feelings and emotions.
- He had Synaesthesia – so when he heard sounds he saw colour.
- Colour represented musical notes to him.



Composition IX - by Kandinsky



An example of collage using layers cut from magazines.

### Key Vocabulary and definitions

<b>abstract</b>	Things that you can't see or touch: e.g. ideas, happiness.
<b>Abstract Art</b>	Art that tries to show things that you can't see.
<b>form</b>	Shapes
<b>collage</b>	Making art by gluing things to make an image.
<b>influence</b>	Have an effect on / get idea from
<b>Impressionist Art</b>	Art that tries to show the feeling of places and objects rather than just what they look like.
<b>synaesthesia</b>	One sense being set off by another – e.g. seeing a colour when you hear a sound.

### Kandinsky and colour

Kandinsky felt that colours matched different types of sounds.

	<b>Yellow</b> – effect of madness Loud, sharp trumpets		<b>Black</b> – unmoving, final Final pause, the end
	<b>Blue</b> – Deep, peaceful Flutes, cellos, organs		<b>Orange</b> Healthy, radiant Church bells, singing voice
	<b>Green</b> Strength, stillness Quiet violins		<b>Red</b> – alive, confident, glowing Tuba, deep cello
	<b>White</b> – silence Spaces and pauses		<b>Purple</b> – sad, morbid Horns, bassoons