



Discovering Art — Scott Gallery Colors Warm and Cool

Grades K – 3

INTRODUCTION

Color is the element that usually catches your attention first and is often what you remember most about a work of art. An artist may use color to call attention to a particular part of his/her work or to communicate a feeling. Some colors remind us of warm things like fire and sun. Some colors remind us of cool things like water and forests.

DIRECTED LEARNING: *Rock Towers of the Rio Virgin*, Thomas Moran
 Mountain Stream, Thomas Moran

USING *Rock Towers*:

- Have the students name some warm/hot colors and give examples.
- Have the students name some of the colors that they see in this painting.
- What words describe the way the colors in this painting make you feel?
- If you were in this painting where would you be, how would you feel?

TURN TO *Mountain Stream*:

- Have students name some cool/warm colors and give examples.
- Have the students name some of the colors they see in this painting.
- What words describe the way the colors in this painting make you feel?
- If you were in this painting where would you be, how would you feel?
- Of the two paintings, which painting would you like to hang over your bed and why?