



Painting

Lesson Two: Choosing the Right Paint

Student Handouts

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Paint Finishes

WHICH PAINT FINISH, WHERE, AND WHY

FINISH	FLAT/MATTE	FLAT ENAMEL	EGGSHELL	SATIN	SEMI-GLOSS	HIGH-GLOSS
WHY USE IT?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ dull, not shiny at all ◆ covers problems with walls (rough spots, bumps, cracks) ◆ not easy to wash ◆ warm soft look ◆ traditional look ◆ “old” or “rustic” look 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ not shiny ◆ more durable and washable than flat ◆ a little washable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ a little shiny ◆ more durable than flat or matte finishes ◆ washable ◆ perfect for most rooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ soft shine, like a pearl ◆ smooth look, like velvet ◆ goes on wall easily ◆ washable and durable ◆ more stain resistant ◆ good for kids’ and high traffic areas ◆ makes a room feel warm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ medium shiny ◆ very durable ◆ very easy to wash and scrub ◆ very stain resistant ◆ good for areas where water may splash or there is steam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ very shiny ◆ looks like glass ◆ most durable ◆ easiest to wash and scrub ◆ most stain-resistant ◆ most reflective ◆ gives a formal or contemporary look
WHY NOT USE IT?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ doesn’t reflect light ◆ cannot clean easily ◆ needs repainting ◆ absorbs dirt, stains, and grease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ not for high traffic areas--will get too dirty 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ must sand surfaces very smooth before painting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ must sand surfaces very smooth before painting ◆ can look “cold and uninviting”
WHERE ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ living room walls ◆ dining room walls ◆ ceilings ◆ hallways ◆ bedroom walls ◆ wood paneling ◆ drywall ◆ exterior wood siding ◆ exterior vinyl or aluminum ◆ brick, masonry and stucco 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ living room walls ◆ dining room walls ◆ family room walls ◆ ceilings ◆ powder rooms ◆ guest bathrooms ◆ hallways ◆ wood paneling ◆ drywall ◆ exterior siding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ living room walls ◆ dining room walls ◆ family room walls ◆ ceilings--if surface is perfect ◆ children’s bedrooms ◆ playrooms ◆ hallway and stairway walls ◆ wood paneling ◆ drywall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ kitchen walls ◆ bathroom walls ◆ windows ◆ doors ◆ trim ◆ ceilings--if surface is perfect ◆ hallways and stairway ◆ walls ◆ woodwork (trim) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ kitchen walls ◆ bathrooms walls ◆ doors ◆ trim ◆ cabinets in kitchen and bathroom ◆ molding ◆ wood paneling ◆ dry wall ◆ exterior trim ◆ windows, accents, shutters, doors, and railings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ trim ◆ cabinets ◆ molding ◆ exterior trim ◆ accents, shutters, doors, and railings

Activity #2: Talking About Paint Finishes

Handout A



Homeowner #1

Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a washable paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my son's bedroom.**
Sales Associate: Try an eggshell or a satin finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *living room*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting the *exterior windows*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *kitchen cabinets*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *dining room*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *front door*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

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Handout A



Homeowner #2

Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a washable paint finish.**
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Homeowner: **I'm painting my son's bedroom.**
Sales Associate: Try an eggshell or a satin finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting a *playroom*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting the *interior trim*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *family room*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting the *exterior* of my house. It's *wood siding*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: Can I help you?
Homeowner: **Yes. I need a _____ paint finish.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *front door*.**
Sales Associate: Try a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

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Handout B



Homeowner #1

Sales Associate: May I help you with something?
Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is washable.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my son's bedroom.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest an eggshell or a satin finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

- Sales Associate: May I help you with something?
Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is _____.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *living room*.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: May I help you with something?
Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is _____.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting the *exterior windows*.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: May I help you with something?
Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is _____.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *kitchen cabinets*.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
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Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is _____.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *dining room*.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.
- Sales Associate: May I help you with something?
Homeowner: **Yes. I'm looking for a paint finish that is _____.**
Sales Associate: What are you painting?
Homeowner: **I'm painting my *front door*.**
Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

Activity #2: Talking About Paint Finishes

Handout B

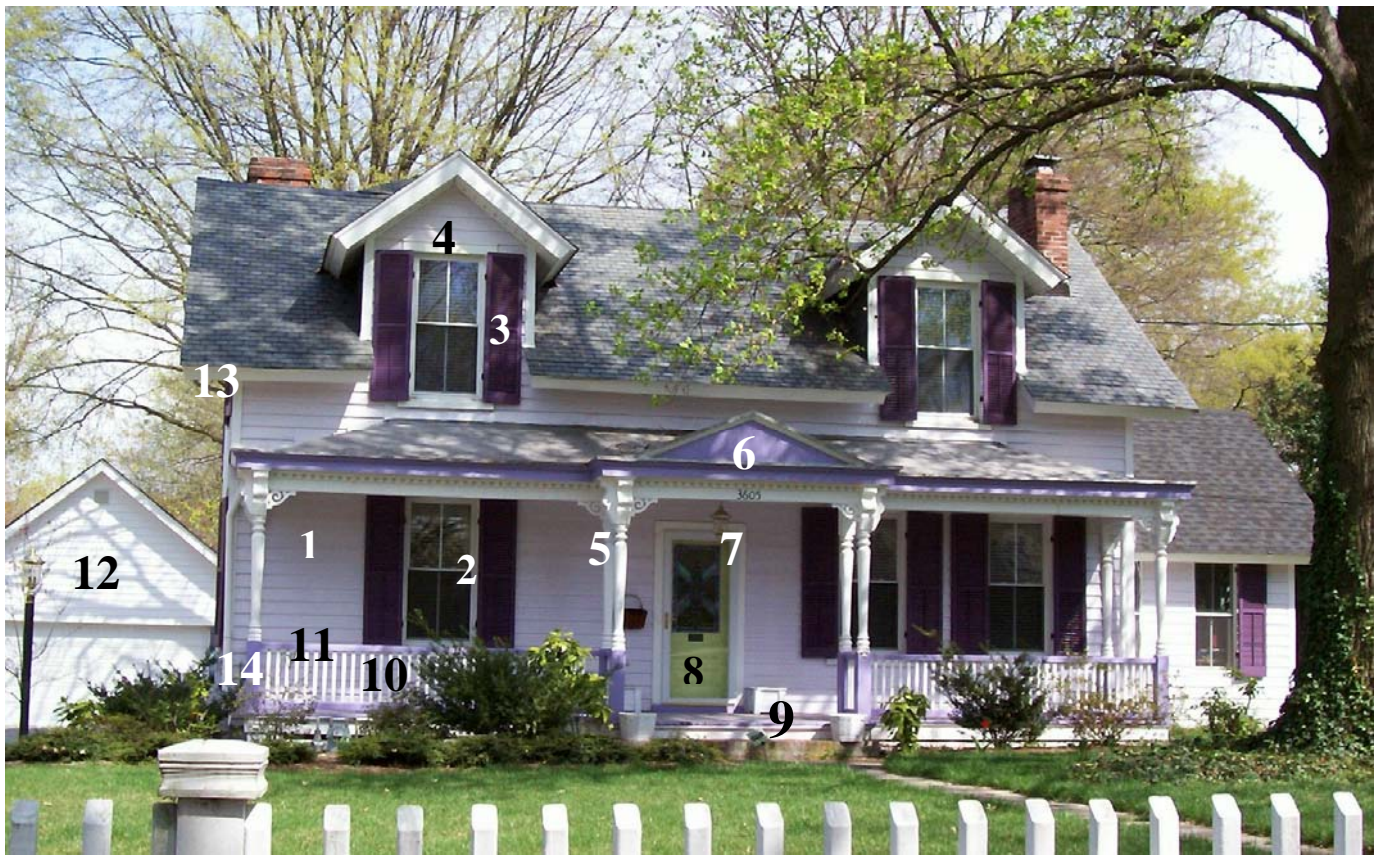


Homeowner #2

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Homeowner: **Thank you.**
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Sales Associate: I'd suggest a _____ or a _____ finish.
Homeowner: **Thank you.**
Sales Associate: You're welcome.

Exterior Paint Surfaces



1. wood siding
2. window sash
3. shutter
4. dormer
5. column or beam
6. porch gable
7. door frame

8. front door
9. porch floor
10. spindles
11. railing
12. garage
13. overhang
14. post



stucco



wood siding



vinyl or aluminum
siding



masonry or brick