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The Nature of Light

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Chapter 3 –The Nature of Light Outline

Section 1-What is Light? p. 60 - 65

I. Light: An Electromagnetic Wave

***Note**-An electromagnetic wave is a wave that consists of changing electric and magnetic fields.

A. Electric and Magnetic Fields

B. How EM (Electromagnetic) Waves Are Produced

II. The Speed of Light

Note-Light travels at 300,000,000 m/s (meters per second) or 186,000 m/s (miles per second)
That's 880,000 times faster than sound waves!
Light could travel 7.5 times around the earth in 1 second.

III. Light From the Sun

***Note**-The major source of energy on Earth originates from the sun.

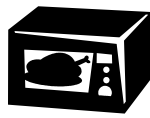
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Section 2-The Electromagnetic Spectrum

I. Characteristics of EM Waves

***Note**-Electromagnetic (EM) waves are arranged in a chart called the Electromagnetic Spectrum by their wavelengths. The Electromagnetic Spectrum is arranged from long to short waves.

*****Electromagnetic Spectrum p. 66-67*****



radio microwave Infrared Visible ultraviolet X rays Gamma

Heat ROY G. BIV

low frequency
long wavelength

high frequency
short wavelength

"All right, I'll say Hi to my short Gramma!"

II. Radio Waves

- A. Broadcasting Radio Signals
- B. Comparing AM and FM Radio Waves
- C. Radio Waves and Television

***Note**-Radio Waves are used to broadcast television signals.

***Radio waves have the longest wavelength and the lowest frequency.**

III. Microwaves

- A. Microwaves and Communication

***Note**-Microwaves are used by cellular phones to send and receive signals.

- B. Radar

IV. Infrared Waves

***Note-** Infrared waves make things warm.

V. Visible Light

- A. Visible Light From the Sun

***Note-** Visible light is white light the can come from the sun. It contains all the colors that people can see.

- B. Colors of Light

Note-Name the colors of light people can see. ROY G. BIV

red orange yellow green blue indigo violet

Left side
Long wavelength
Low frequency

Right side
short wavelength
high frequency

**Say, "Hi" to my short Gramma Violet.

VI. Ultraviolet Light

A. Bad Effects

*Note-UV (Ultraviolet) light is produced by the sun and can cause a sun burn or cancer.

VII. X Rays and Gamma Rays

A. X Rays

*Note- X Rays are used to see inside containers without opening them for security purposes at airports.

B. Gamma Rays

*Note- Gamma Rays are used to treat some forms of cancer.

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Section 3 Interactions of Light Waves p. 74 - 81

I. Reflection

***Note-** Reflection is a wave interaction in which a ray of light, sound, or heat bounces off a surface that it does not go through.

- A. The Law of Reflection
- B. Types of Reflection
- C. Light Source or Reflection?

***Note-** Objects that produce their own light are called Luminous.

II. Absorption and Scattering

- A. Absorption of Light

***Note-** Absorption is a wave interaction in which the energy carried by light waves is transferred to particles of matter.

- B. Scattering of Light

***Note-** Scattering is a wave interaction with matter that causes light to change its energy, direction of motion, or both.

III. Refraction

- A. Refraction and Material

***Note-** Refraction is a wave interaction in which a wave bends as it passes between two substances in which the speed of the wave differs.

- B. Refraction and Optical Illusions

- C. Refraction and Color Separation

***Note-** When white light is refracted, the amount that the light bends depends on the light's wavelength.

IV. Diffraction

***Note-** Diffraction is a wave interaction in which a wave encounters an obstacle or an edge and changes direction.

- A. Diffraction and Wavelength

V. Interference

- A. Constructive Interference

***Note-** Constructive Interference is a wave interaction that happens when two or more waves overlap and the resulting wave has a greater amplitude.

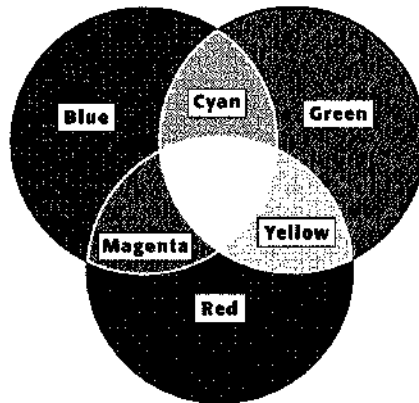
- B. Destructive Interference

***Note-** Destructive Interference is a wave interaction that happens when two or more waves overlap and the resulting wave has a smaller amplitude.

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Section 4-Light and Color

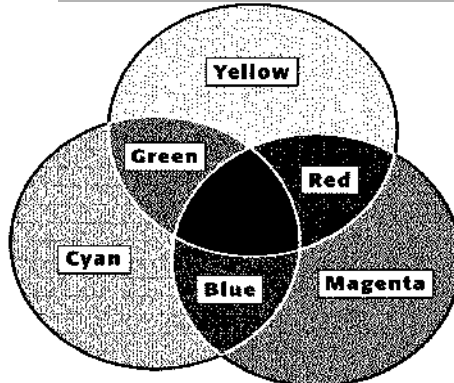
- I. Light and Matter
 - A. Types of Matter
 - 1. Transparent
 - 2. Translucent
 - 3. Opaque
- II. Colors of Objects
 - A. Colors of Opaque Objects
 - *Note-The color of an opaque object is determined by the color that is reflected.
 - B. Colors of Transparent and Translucent Objects
 - *Note-The color of a transparent object depends on the color of light that is transmitted.
- III. Mixing Colors of Light
 - A. Color Addition -- “When the center is WHITE, you’re adding LIGHT”.



*Note-Primary colors of light combine to produce white light. This is Color Addition.

- B. Light and Color Television

- IV. Mixing Colors of Pigment
 - A. Pigments and Color
 - B. Color Subtraction- “When colors subtract, you’re left with BLACK.”



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