#### Learn IT at Lunch

## Design for Non-Designers

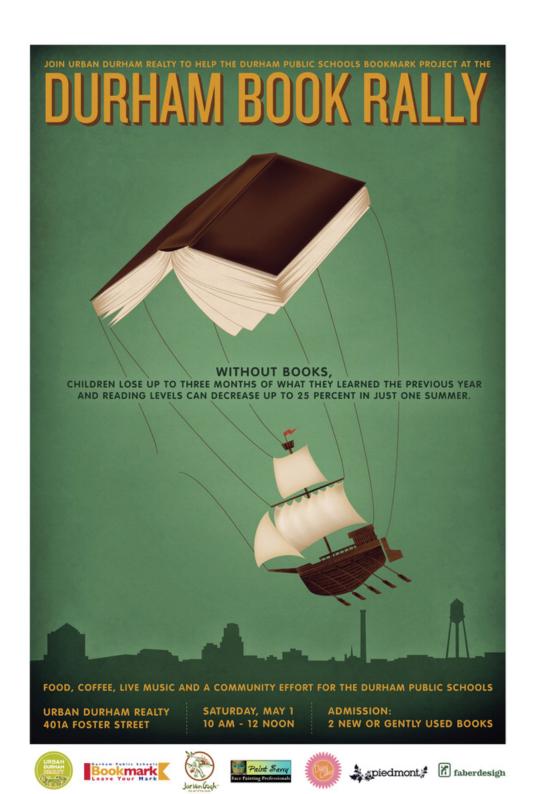
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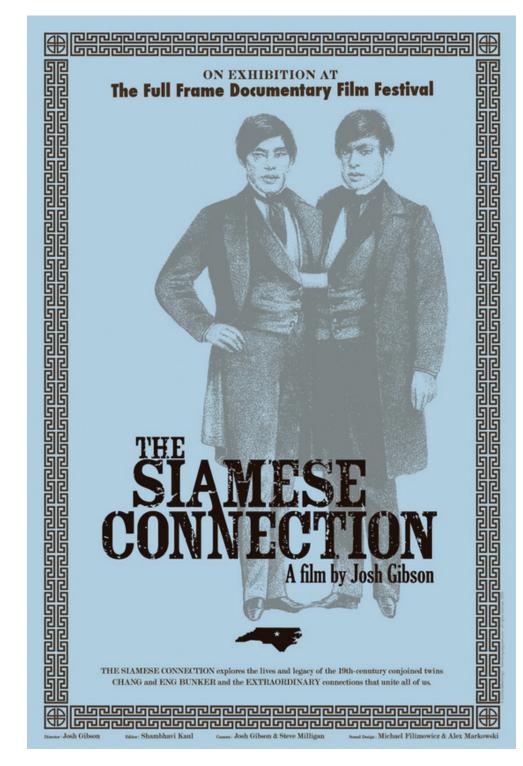
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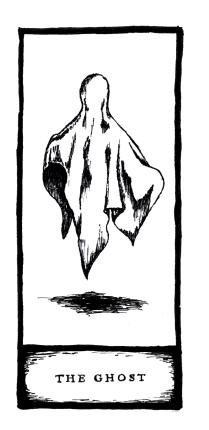




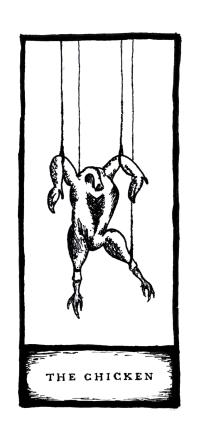


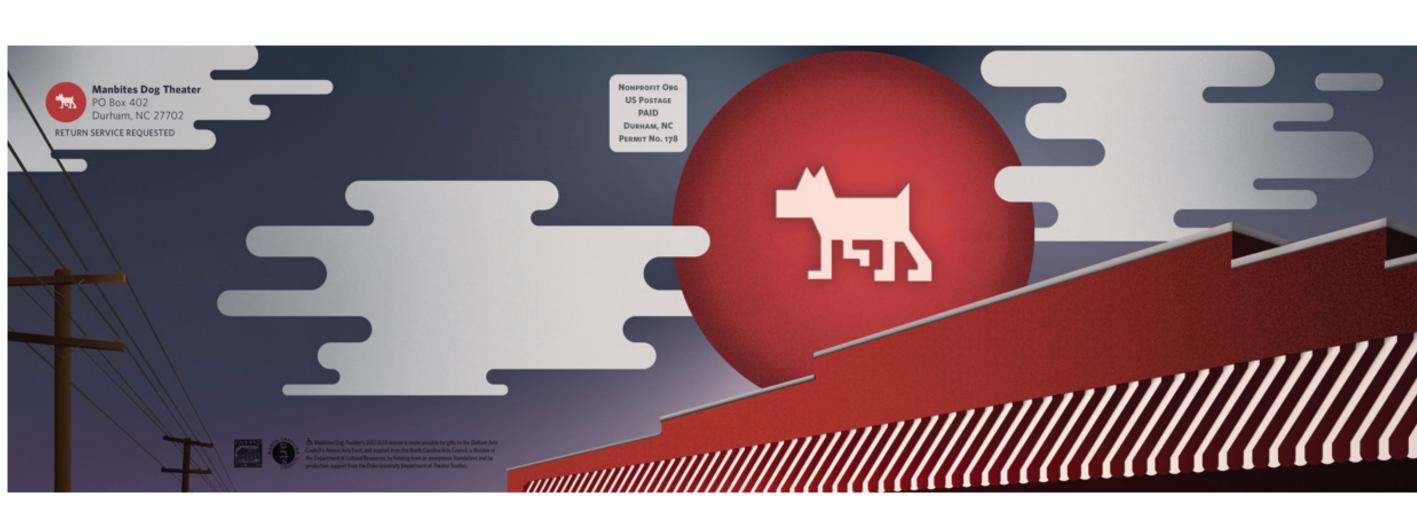














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- or -

## Just Put Down that Drop Shadow, and Walk Away Slowly

- or -

#### A Few Tips for Reducing Visual Pollution

- or -

I Like Alternate Titles and Look at this Great Visual Typographic Hierarchy I Just Created Isn't it Swell?

- or -

Shh, don't tell but 99% of design is just lining things up neatly.

#### One - Purpose

#### Have one.

You do have one, right?

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Who is the audience?
What is the point?
What are the essential pieces?
What is the look and feel?

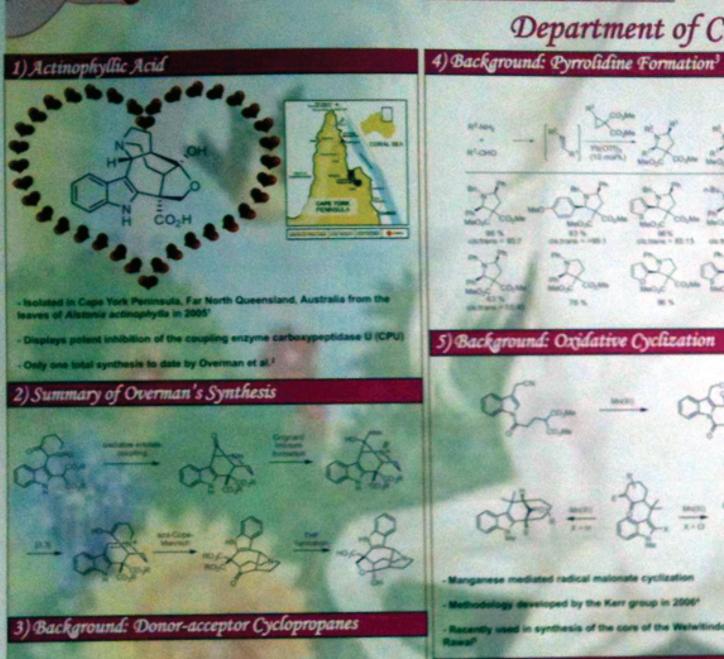
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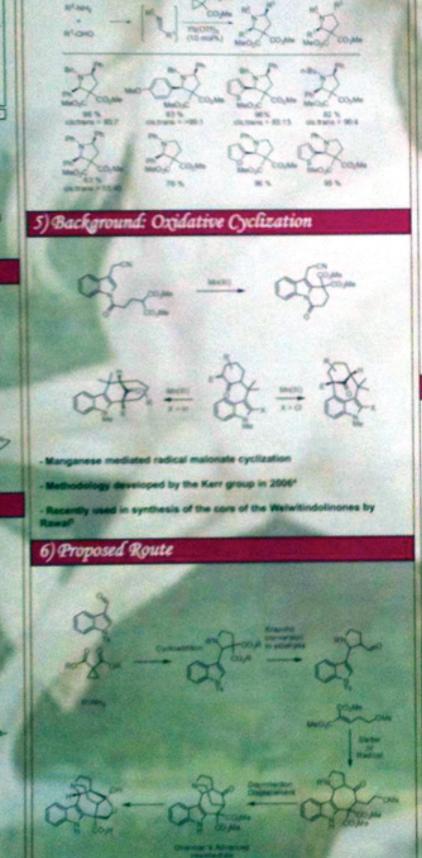
#### Communicate.

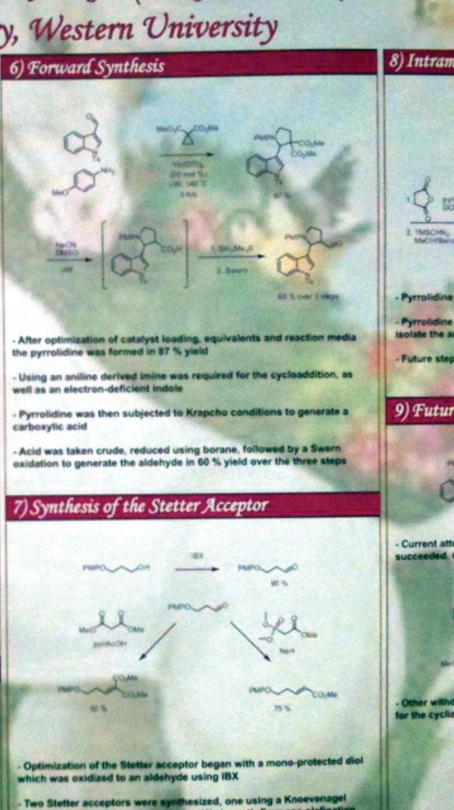
Don't decorate.

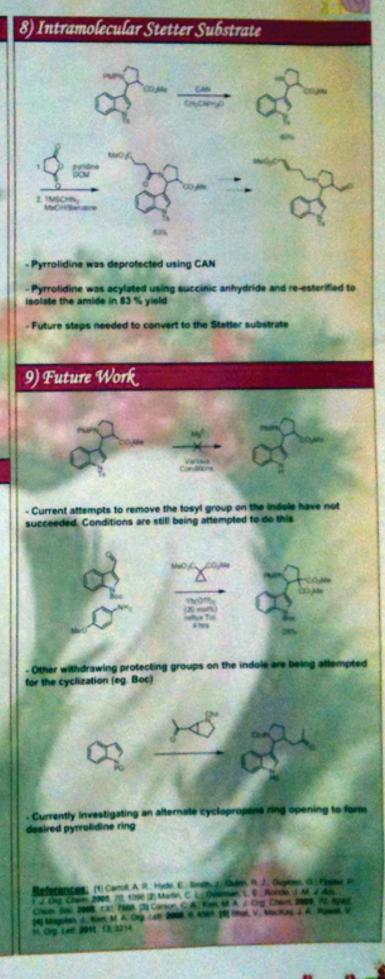


#### Early Progress Towards Actinophyllic Acid Michael R. Emmett and Michael A. Kerr (makerr@uwo.ca) Department of Chemistry, Western University

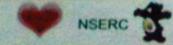










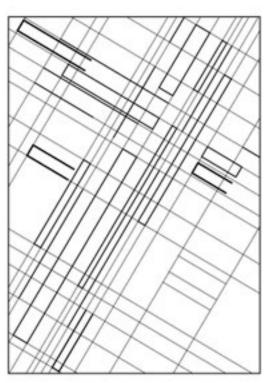


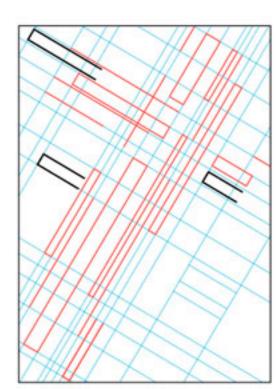
## Two-Layout

#### The skeleton.

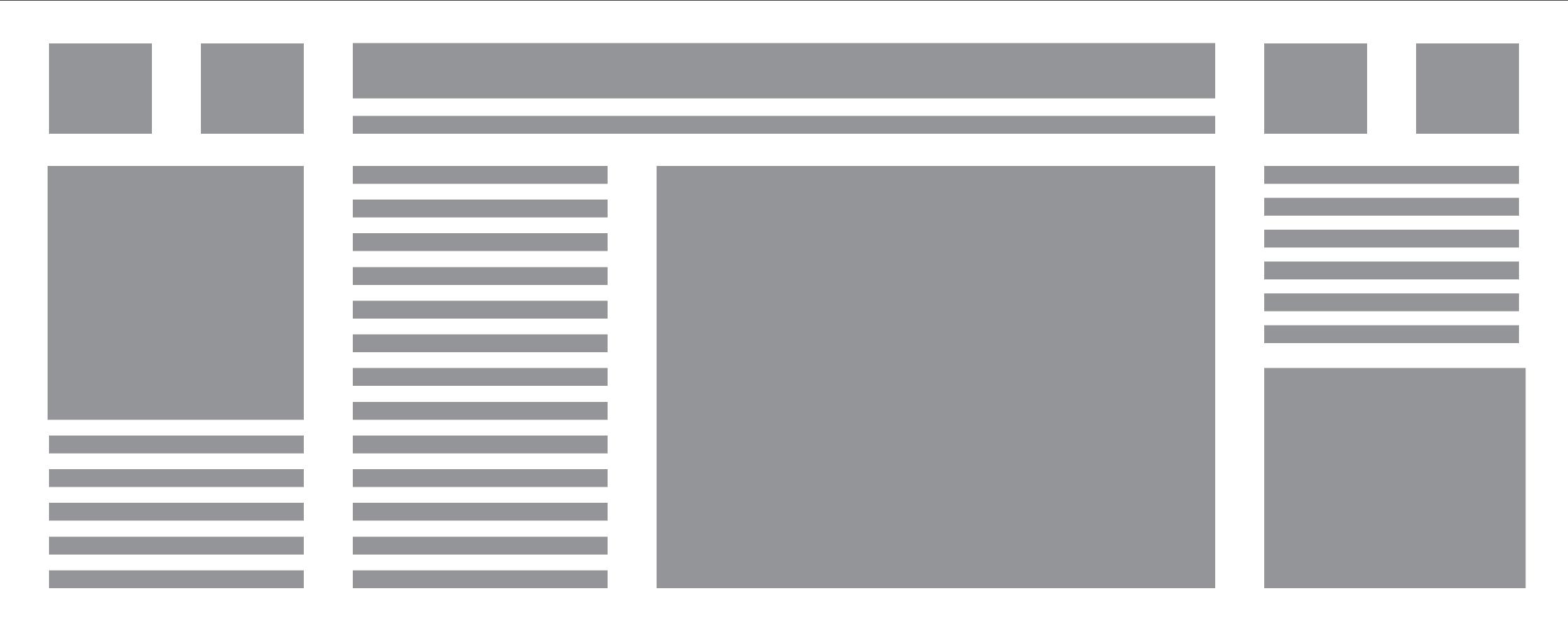
The grid is your friend.







#### Two-Layout



#### Embrace the Grid.

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#### Show, don't tell.

Put the b in subtle.

Figure 1 – Science!

	Data 1	Data 2	Data 3	Data 4	Data 5
Science thing 1	5432	42	392	43i	
Science thing 2	524±12		212	276	22.34
Science thing 3		22.5		27	2
Science thing 4		22.5	22.5	56	76574
Science thing 5	4213	3231		756	75

Figure 1 - Observable Phenomena of Sets in Quantized Data Formats

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## Don't fear the white space.

It has magic powers.





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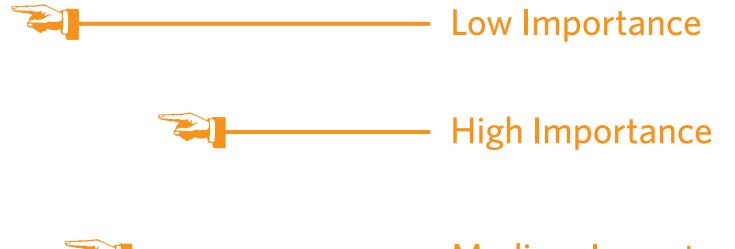
## Legibility is King.

THIS IS A GOOD ONE, TRUST ME

#### Build a Hierarchy It will really help things out.

Medium Importance Here's how. Blah blah blah, blaaaah. Are you actually reading this? That's impressive. I have terrible eye-sight, so unless I was sitting in the front row, there would be no chance for me. Ok, enough of me making up stuff. Here's a bunch of Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nam non

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## Two Typefaces.

That's it.

Serifs

Caslon Chaparral

Sabon Minion

Bembo Georgia

Sans-serifs

Helvetica Avenir

Univers Trade Gothic

FUTURA Verdana

Use Contrast.	- Whitney Bold	
Like this.	- Adobe Caslon Bold Italic	
Unlike This  Too similar.	<ul><li>Times New Roman</li><li>Adobe Caslon Semibold</li></ul>	
Or this.	<ul><li>Helvetica Bold</li></ul>	
Really just never use Arial. It's ugly.	— Arial	

## Appropriateness

Comic Sans is for comics.

Papyrus is for Hair Salons.

Courier is for code.

TRAJAN IS THE MOVIE POSTER FONT.

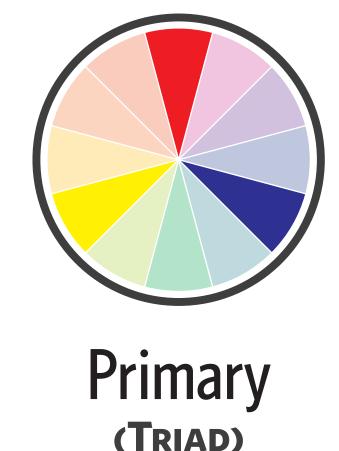
#### Four-Color

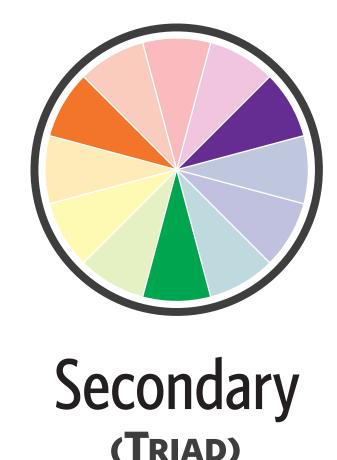


#### Four - Color

#### Restrain your Palette

You don't need the full rainbow - just a few will do.

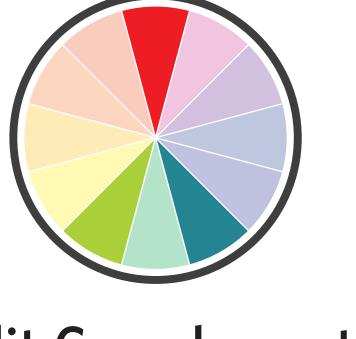








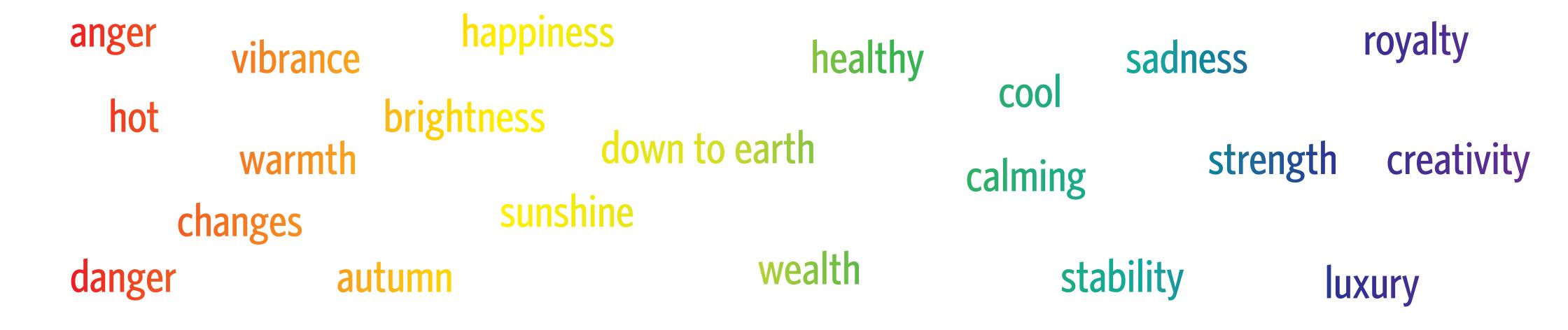




**Split Complements** 

#### Four-Color

## Colors mean something.



#### Five - Have Fun

#### Rules are made to be broken.

But only if you understand them first.

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## Figure out what you like.

And then try to understand why you like it.

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