How to choose room colors

IN-DEPTH STUDY

What's your favorite color? Whether you want orange in the entry or blue in the bathroom, here are some tips to brighten your home.

1 Answer the questions before watching the video.

- 1. What color is your house decorated? Do you like it?
- 2. Is it better to have the same color in the whole house or a different color in each room?
- 3. What color would you like to have in the kitchen, in the bathroom and in your bedroom?
- 4. Would you like to start a career like interior designer or a decorator? Why?

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Hi, I'm Ann Myrick, and today we're gonna talk about how to choose room colors to create a sense of space. Er... Really, I think there's two main things to think about; er...to create space as far as to make your smaller space bigger, er...to make a large space cozier, that is one way to look at it, and another way to look at it would be there are so many homes now that have a very open floor plan, but they're still... I am a decorator and I work with clients all the time that have the ..., they don't have a lot of walls in their house, but they still want to er...create a sense of space for that room. So, er...one way, er...one way we'll, we will do that is through..., er...if you have a small house or a house that has a lot of rooms, such as this one. This is an older plan that has a lot of small rooms, so what I, I usually... I love color in every room, and identify each room by color, but in a small house like this with a lot of smaller rooms, if you paint every room a different color, the room is gonna be real choppy. Every time there's a color change, there's a er....., like er...your eye changes, and so instead of walking in and having just a consistent color, if you walk into a very... a small house with a lot of small rooms, every time there's a color change, you just, you feel very chopped up. Er...So what I would do in that type of situation is do one whole color through the house, where it's consistent and it gives you a good flow. Another thing you think about is if you don't

have a lot of walls, what you would do is you could go in and, let's say, you paint your dining room a great plum or purple, and it designates that room, and then the kitchen is a... a different color. So instead of having walls, you designate the type of room... is by the color.

This is Ann Myrick, and that is how to choose room colors to create a sense of space.



2 Fill in the gaps with a word taken from the video.

- 1. Today we're gonna talk about how to choose to create a sense of space.
- **2.** I am a and I work with clients all the time.
- 3. This is an plan that has a lot of small rooms.
- 4. Every time there's a color, you feel very chopped up.
- 5. Let's say you paint your dining room a great plum or

3 Decide if the statements below are true (T) or false (F). Correct the false ones.

- 1. To create a sense of space means to make your smaller space bigger
- 2. Today houses have a lot of rooms.
- 3. Older houses have a plan with a lots of small rooms.
- 4. Ann Myrick thinks that it is better to change color if you have small rooms.
- **5.** If your home has a lot of small rooms, the best thing is to do one whole color through the house because it gives you a good flow.
- **6.** If there are not many walls, it is better to designate the type of room with a different color to create a sense of space.



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