1) Value of a Hue - Develop a value study using colored pencil, varying the pressure to change the value from heavy density to transparent (white of paper showing through)

2) Tint - Create an example of a "tint" by overlaying a darker hue with white and blending to a creamy smooth finish. This lightens the original color.

3) Shade - Develop a shade by gradually overlaying any hue with black using a graduated technique (value blend). Darkens the color. Requires a gentle touch.

4) Intensity - Overlay a hue with another lighter hue, and darker hue of itself to produce changes in the hues intensity. White is easy. Black is effective if you're careful.

5) Tone-Down/Complement - Choose a bright hue and do an overlay with its complement. Creates a rich full, grayish/middle tone better than flat gray.

6) Near-Complement - Do an overlay with a color near by on the color wheel (close to but not a complementary color). Creates interesting middle color tones.

Put a hue down on the paper. Choose an overlay that is close that your original colors complement. Example: Red's near compliment would be yellow-green.


7) Read as Black - Has more richness and complex interest than neutral black or gray. Example: Blue and dark red mixed together, then adding violet at the end. Note: This technique is often forgotten in later projects. Remember it, it works!!

8) Contrast - Using your color wheel as an aid, pick two hues and place them beside each other and have them clash or show strong contrast and visual tension.

9) Sgraffito - Choose a dark hue and build up a thick application, apply a second layer of a different dark color, then scratch into the surface with a compass point or pointed metal object. Great for added texture or subtle lines to draw attention.

10) Neutral Overlay - Do an overlay over a lighter color with a neutral gray, cream, or tan. Keeps color bright, but muted.

11) Crosshatching - develop a new hue by crosshatching one hue over another. This requires dense lines in order for the colors to blend.

Pick two different colors to blend together using a crosshatching technique. You are trying to create an altered tint or shade of your original hues.

12) Directional, Non-Directional, and Bundled - Develop 3 areas which display these strokes.
a) Directional - The lines generally go a certain direction, such as diagonal, vertical, etc.
b) Bundled - An organized combination of directional lines (woven texture)
c) Non-directional - Shows no trace of line or direction. Achieved by changing direction of strokes very often. May need to shift hand as paper as needed.

This creates a more complex type of texture or pattern when needed


