

How to Take a Shade with the VITA 3D-Master® Shade Guide

When taking a shade, the dentist has three simple steps to follow:

First, determine the value (lightness) by selecting the closest match from one of five value groups.

Second, determine the Chroma within the value group from three choices.

Third, pick the hue by determining if the tooth has a more yellow or red cast.

STEP 1



- Determine the lightness level (value)
- Hold shade guide to patient's mouth at arm's length
- Start with darkest group moving right to left
- Select Value group 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5

STEP 2



- Select the chroma
- From your selected Value group, remove the middle tab (M) and spread the samples out like a fan
- Select one of the three shade samples to determine Chroma

STEP 3



- Determine the hue
- Check whether the natural tooth is more yellowish or more reddish than the shade sample selected.

FINAL SHADE

