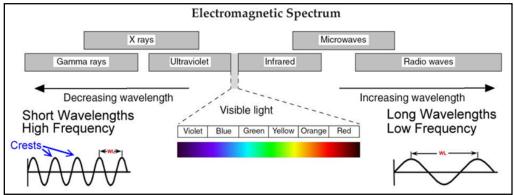
SPACE - Thermal Infrared Imaging

Infrared (IR) is a form of light.

We can't see with our eyes but we can feel on our skin as heat. It lies just outside the visible spectrum, next to where red is.



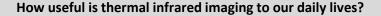
[Credit: regentsearth.com]

What does an infrared thermal imaging camera do?

It detects energy emitted from an object in the IR range of the electromagnetic spectrum: 9,000-14,000 nanometers ($9-14 \mu m$) & produce images of that radiation.

Checkout the Thermal Infrared Camera exhibit:

- 1. Stand between the 2 screens.
- 2. Observe & compare the images on the screens.
- Why are there different colours on different parts of your body?
- What does the different colours mean?
- 3. Now explore using stuff you have with you paper, sunglasses, cell phone, etc.



THERMAL INFRARED CAMERA

DO YOU KNOW?

- Infrared cameras translate heat signatures of objects into colours on a scale.
- **Higher** temperatures appear as *lighter* colours.
- Lower temperatures & wet areas appear as darker colours.
- The differences in temperature can be detected by an infrared thermal imaging camera known as Infrared Thermography (IRT).





[Credit: NASA]





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TO EXPLORE

Let's investigate!



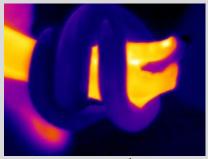
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This is an industrial electrical fuse block.

Where is the electrical fault?

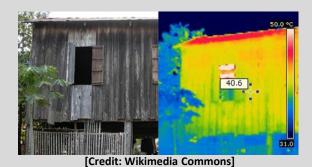


[Credit: NASA]
Which mug is colder?



[Credit: Wikimedia Commons Arno / Coen - www.nutscode.com]

Where is the snake?



Can thermal imaging cameras see through exterior walls into houses?

Watch these!

Night Vision versus Thermal Imaging https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rAvnMYqj2c0

How infrared imaging camera work https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jX0gIWU49iI

Things We've Found With Our Infrared Camera https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WJchBDfsGHU

Tire Heat On F1 Cars - Infrared Camera https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oUohIZEyq0w

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