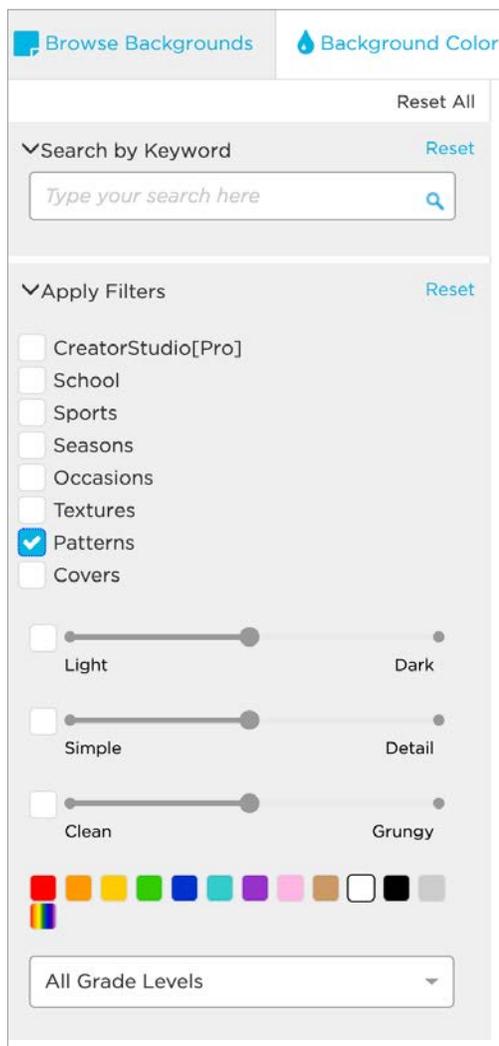# Apply Backgrounds To Your Pages

Oh, the possibilities! WIth more than 3,500 backgrounds, we have more choices than you can shake a stick at. Use the filters to narrow your search for the perfect complement to your design.

1 Click the page on which you want to apply a background. Then click the **Backgrounds** tab to the left of the workspace. Next, click **Find Backgrounds** to access the search window. Search by keyword or narrow your options by applying filters. You can apply multiple filters, but make sure to **Reset** the category if you wish to start over.
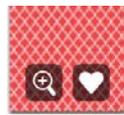
For a larger view of the background, hover your cursor over the desired thumbnail and click the magnifying glass icon. To save to your **My Favorites**, click the heart icon.

2 To sample a background, click its thumbnail to review it on the right. Once you've found a background you'd like to use in your project, click **Apply Background**.

3 Once you are back in the workspace, the results of your current search will appear in the open **Backgrounds** palette. To reopen the background search engine, click the blue **Find Backgrounds** button. Click **Reset All** if you wish to start over.

If you'd prefer to fill your page with a solid color, click the **Page background color** from the Backgrounds tab at the left of the screen. You can choose from a variety of color swatches, a recently used swatch or use the Eye Dropper tool to choose a color from anywhere on the page.

PRO TIP: Dark or busy patterns may make it difficult to read small text—especially in your portrait sections. Change the text color or consider adding a background color to the text. You can also use a filled shape behind the text to make it stand out.