

Rosa's Rainbow Adventure: French Colours

Learning objective: To identify, spell, and apply French colour adjectives, understanding the agreement rules for masculine and feminine nouns.

Join Rosa the parrot as she explores the colourful world! Use the word bank to answer the questions below. Remember to check if the noun is masculine or feminine to ensure your colour spelling is correct.

Word bank: rouge (red) · bleu / bleue (blue) · jaune (yellow) · vert / verte (green) · orange (orange) · rose (pink) · noir / noire (black) · blanc / blanche (white)

1. Rosa sees a yellow sun. Write the French phrase for 'a yellow sun' (un soleil jaune). Now, write the phrase for 'a yellow flower' (une fleur jaune). Explain why the word 'jaune' does not change between these two sentences. (3 marks)

2. Max has a blue ball (un ballon bleu) and a blue book (une livre bleu/bleue). Correct the mistake in the second phrase. Justify your answer by explaining the rule of adjectival agreement in French. (3 marks)

3. Translate the following into French: 'The white car' (la voiture blanche) and 'The white cat' (le chat blanc). Compare these two colours; what happens to the ending of the adjective when the noun changes gender? (3 marks)

4. If you were describing a 'green pencil' (un crayon vert) and a 'green apple' (une pomme verte), how would the spelling of the colour change? Explain the pattern you observe. (2 marks)

5. What might happen to the sentence structure if we wanted to describe two objects of the same colour, such as 'two black bags'? Write your prediction in French. (2 marks)

6. Imagine you are painting a portrait of Leo the lion. Write three sentences in French describing his features using colours (e.g., 'His mane is orange'). (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene featuring Rosa the parrot in a garden. Label at least four items in the drawing using the correct French colour adjective (e.g., 'le ciel bleu', 'l'herbe verte').



Extension challenge: Research why some French colour adjectives, like 'orange', do not change spelling regardless of the noun's gender. Write a short paragraph explaining your findings and provide three other examples of colours that follow this rule.