

Rosa's Radiant Rainbow

Learning objective: To identify and use Spanish vocabulary for colours within a descriptive text.

Read the story below about Rosa the parrot. Use your knowledge of Spanish to answer the questions. For the 'Greater Depth' questions, provide detailed explanations in full sentences.

Rosa the parrot was preparing for the annual forest fiesta. She sat on her favourite branch, surrounded by a vibrant display of feathers. 'To make the fiesta special,' Rosa squawked happily, 'we need colours everywhere!' She began to paint banners for her friends. First, she painted a bright rojo sun to warm the forest floor. Next, she found some paint that was a deep, calming azul to represent the sparkling river. For the trees, she chose a lush verde, and for the juicy fruits hanging low, she used a splash of naranja. She carefully added a touch of amarillo to the flowers, making them glow, and finished her masterpiece with elegant swirls of violeta. 'Look at this arcoíris!' she chirped. Max the monkey swung down and gasped, 'It looks like a magnificent painting!' Rosa smiled, knowing her artistic work would bring joy to everyone in the canopy. She had used every colour she knew, turning the grey forest into a brilliant, festive wonderland.

Word bank: rojo (red) · azul (blue) · amarillo (yellow) · verde (green) · naranja (orange) · violeta (purple) · arcoíris (rainbow)

1. Which colour did Rosa use to paint the sun, and which colour did she use for the river? (2 marks) (2 marks)

2. List the two objects that Rosa painted using the colours verde and naranja. (2 marks) (2 marks)

3. Explain why Rosa decided to paint a variety of objects in different colours instead of just one. (2 marks) (2 marks)

4. What might happen if Rosa had only used one colour for her entire masterpiece? Justify your answer. (3 marks) (3 marks)

5. Do you think Rosa succeeded in making the forest festive? Justify your answer using evidence from the text. (3 marks) (3 marks)

Draw: Draw your own version of Rosa's forest fiesta. Include at least four items mentioned in the text and label them with their correct Spanish colour name.



Extension challenge: Compare and contrast the mood of the forest before and after Rosa painted her banners. If you were organising a fiesta, which colour would you choose to represent 'happiness' and why? Write a short poem in English about your favourite colour, using at least two Spanish colour words.