

Rosa's Radiant Rainbow: A Spanish Colours Challenge

Learning objective: To identify, spell, and apply Spanish colour vocabulary to describe objects and patterns within a Year 4 context.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank to help you spell your Spanish vocabulary correctly. Remember that in Spanish, adjectives often change to match the gender of the noun they describe (e.g., rojo/roja).

Rosa the parrot has flown over a vibrant garden. She is describing what she sees using her favourite Spanish words. Help her complete her observations by applying your knowledge of colours and agreement.

Word bank: rojo/roja (red) · azul (blue) · amarillo/amarilla (yellow) · verde (green) · naranja (orange) · morado/morada (purple) · blanco/blanca (white) · negro/negra (black) · rosa (pink) · marrón (brown)

1. Rosa sees a red apple and a green leaf. Write the Spanish translation for: 'The apple is red and the leaf is green.' (Hint: la manzana is feminine, la hoja is feminine). (2 marks)

2. Max the monkey is holding a yellow banana and a purple grape. How would you describe these in Spanish? Explain why you chose the specific endings for 'yellow' and 'purple'. (3 marks)

3. Compare and contrast the colours 'azul' and 'verde'. Are they treated differently when describing a masculine noun versus a feminine noun? Justify your answer with examples. (3 marks)

4. If you were to paint a picture of a night sky, which two Spanish colours would you use? Write a full sentence in Spanish describing your painting. (2 marks)

5. What might happen to the meaning of a sentence if you accidentally used the masculine form of a colour to describe a feminine noun? Explain the importance of grammatical agreement. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene featuring three items from nature. Label each item in Spanish using the correct colour adjective (e.g., 'el sol amarillo').



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a fashion designer. Write a short paragraph in English explaining why you have chosen a specific colour palette for your new collection, then translate your colour choices into Spanish. Challenge yourself to use at least one 'agreement' (e.g., describing a 'camisa blanca').