

Rosa's Radiant Colour Palette: A Spanish Language Fact-File

Learning objective: To identify, describe, and categorise colours in Spanish, whilst developing descriptive vocabulary for artistic expression.

Welcome to your linguistic art studio! Join Rosa the parrot as she explores the vibrant world of colour. Use the word bank to fill in your fact-file. For the final questions, use your knowledge of Spanish adjectives to justify your creative choices and compare how colours can change the mood of a description.

Word bank: rojo · azul · amarillo · verde · naranja · morado · rosa · blanco · negro · gris · brillante · oscuro · claro

1. The Primary Palette: Select three primary colours from the word bank and write their Spanish names. Explain why these are considered the foundation for all other colours. (3 marks)

2. Nature's Hue: Choose a natural object (e.g., a leaf, the sky, a sunset). Describe it using at least one colour word and one descriptive adjective from the word bank in Spanish. Translate your sentence into English. (3 marks)

3. Comparative Analysis: Compare 'azul claro' (light blue) and 'azul oscuro' (dark blue). Justify why a painter might choose one over the other when depicting the ocean at different times of the day. (4 marks)

4. Creative Synthesis: If you were to invent a new colour, what would you name it in Spanish? Describe its appearance using the provided vocabulary and explain what emotion or atmosphere it represents. (4 marks)

5. Justification: Why is it important to use specific adjectives (like 'brillante' or 'oscuro') rather than just naming the colour alone? How does this enhance your writing? (3 marks)

6. Reflection: What might happen if the world were only 'blanco' and 'negro'? Discuss the impact this would have on our ability to distinguish between objects in nature. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Design a 'Colour Wheel of Emotions'. In the centre of a page, draw a circle divided into six segments. Label each segment with a Spanish colour. In each segment, draw a pattern or symbol that represents the mood that specific colour evokes for you (e.g., 'amarillo' for happiness/sunshine). Write a short paragraph justifying your artistic choices for each segment.