

Rosa's Radiant Rainbow: Exploring Spanish Colours

Learning objective: To identify, spell, and use Spanish colour vocabulary to describe objects and express preferences.

Read the passage below about Rosa the parrot's vibrant jungle adventure. Use the word bank to help you complete the tasks. For the Greater Depth section, ensure you justify your choices in full sentences.

Hola! I am Rosa. Today, I am flying through the tropical forest looking for colours. First, I see a bright amarillo sun shining through the trees. Below me, the leaves are a deep verde. I spot a monkey playing with a piece of fruit that is naranja, and he is sitting on a stone that is grey—wait, I mean gris! Near the river, the water sparkles with a beautiful azul glow. Finally, I find a flower that is morado and a fluffy cloud that is blanco. The forest is a masterpiece of colour!

Word bank: rojo (red) · azul (blue) · amarillo (yellow) · verde (green) · naranja (orange) · morado (purple) · blanco (white) · negro (black)

1. Identify three colours from the text and write their English translations. Why do you think Rosa describes the sun as 'amarillo'? (3 marks)

2. If Rosa found a raven with feathers as dark as the night, which Spanish colour would she use to describe it? Explain your reasoning. (2 marks)

3. Compare and contrast the Spanish words for 'green' (verde) and 'blue' (azul). How do these words help you categorise the natural world in the text? (3 marks)

4. Rosa wants to buy a gift that costs £5.50. If the gift is 'rojo', write a sentence in Spanish including the colour and the price. (2 marks)

5. Justify your answer: If the forest lost all its 'verde' elements, what might happen to the ecosystem and how would you describe the landscape using your Spanish vocabulary? (4 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene from Rosa's jungle adventure. Include at least four different coloured items mentioned in the text. Label each item using the correct Spanish colour word.



Extension challenge: Write a short poem or a descriptive paragraph in Spanish (using at least five colour words) about your favourite season. Then, translate your work into English to demonstrate your understanding of adjective placement.