



Examen previo – 3rd Juniors

Alumno:

Colour and Culture

A. What do these colors suggest in your culture? Circle the answers. Then write a word this color makes you think of.

1. **red:** anger / love / danger / something else

This color makes me think of

2. **yellow:** sunshine / good luck / courage / something else

This color makes me think of

3. **green:** jealousy / nature / wealth / something else

This color makes me think of

4. **blue:** sadness / strength / relaxation / something else

This color makes me think of.....

B. Read the text. Then answer the questions with a word or phrase

Color and Culture

Our everyday lives are filled with **color**. Our **favorite** colors show our personalities or how we feel. Colors also have a cultural connection to celebrations, traditions, and beliefs of different countries and cultures.

Red

Red is one of the most representative colors. In China, it is connected to celebrations luck, happiness, and prosperity. People wear red to celebrate the Lunar New Year and children receive red envelopes full of money. Brides traditionally wear red dresses on their wedding day as well.

Yellow

For people in the US and the UK, yellow represents optimism and warmth, but other countries don't see it that way. In France and Germany, for example, yellow shows jealousy and envy, while in Egypt, the Middle East, and some places in Latin America, it represents mourning or loss.



Green

In many Western cultures, green is often related to nature, health, and luck. In the US and other countries, it also represents money, since dollar **bills** are that color. Green usually means go in different cultures, as shown in traffic lights around the world.

Blue

Blue usually represents safety and trust, that's why police and health care worker uniforms are often blue. This color has mystical connections as well. In ancient Egypt, people related blue to the sky and an expensive stone called *lapis lazuli*, while in some Eastern cultures it represents spirituality.



color favorite bills



colour favourite bank notes

1. In China, what color of envelope do people put gifts of money in? _____
2. What color was related to the sky in ancient Egypt? _____
3. In much the US, what color do people connect with warmth and optimism? _____
4. What color do people often connect with money? _____
5. What color are police and health care worker uniforms? _____



c) Read the text again and write T (true) or F (false).

1. In China, people wear yellow to celebrate the Lunar New Year.
2. In France and Germany, for example, yellow shows jealousy and envy.
3. In some Eastern cultures, green represents spirituality.
4. In many Eastern cultures, green is often related to nature, health, and luck.
5. In Latin America, yellow represents mourning or loss.
6. In China, Brides traditionally wear red dresses on their wedding day.
7. Blue represents safety and trust, for this reason, police and health care worker's uniforms are often blue.
8. In the USA, blue represents money.