

1 Read each description. Then guess the color being described.

1. People associate this color with power, intelligence, and sometimes evil. It's popular in fashion because it makes people look slimmer. _____
2. People associate this color with cleanliness and purity. It's popular in decorating because it goes with everything. _____
3. This is one of the most appealing colors. The color of the ocean and the sky, people find it peaceful and calming. It's a great color for a bedroom. It's not a good choice for a dining room—unless you're on a diet. _____
4. This color is associated with energy and excitement. It makes your heart beat faster—and increases your appetite. It's a popular color for fast cars and restaurants. In China, it means good luck. _____

2 Read the Photo Story on page 75 of the Student's Book again. Match each phrase or statement with its meaning.

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| 1. _____ getting a little tired of | a. in my opinion it was |
| 2. _____ to me it was | b. That's true. I hadn't thought of that. |
| 3. _____ pulling your leg | c. I don't want to |
| 4. _____ Good point. | d. looks good with all things |
| 5. _____ I'd hate to have to | e. bored with |
| 6. _____ on the wrong track | f. not thinking correctly about this |
| 7. _____ goes with everything | g. joking by saying something that isn't true |

3 Write about your own color preferences.

1. What's your favorite color? How does it make you feel?

2. What room in your home would you like to paint a different color? What color would you choose? Why?

3. Paint colors have names that describe specific shades—such as “tomato red” or “emerald green.” Create a name for your favorite shade of your favorite color.

FACTOID: Men, women, and colors

Studies have found that women prefer red over blue, but men prefer blue over red.