LANGUAGE

WORD POWER

COLOURS

You already know colours such as "blue", "green" and "yellow". But what about less common ones, like "amber" and "crimson"? And what about colour idioms? What mood are you in if you "see red" or if you're "feeling blue", for example?

	. MIX AND MATCH Thich colour do you get if you mix	
a)	white and red?	
b)	black and white?	THE RELEASE OF STREET
c)	yellow and blue?	
d)	blue and red?	
e)	red and yellow?	

2. SNOW-WHITE

Which words in the first line describe which colours in the second? Join them up!

bottle	blood	navy	jet	primrose
blue	black	green	yellow	red

3. A SORT OF BROWN

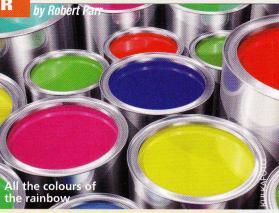
Form four correct sentences.

a) Amber is a	purplish red	and can describe	leaves in autumn.
b) Auburn is a	yellowish brown	and can describe	the sea.
c) Crimson is a	greenish blue	and can describe	somebody's hair.
d) Turquoise is a	reddish brown	and can describe	the middle light in a traffic light.

4. TRUE COLOURS

Put in four different colours.

a)	He was with envy.	
b)	Her cheeks went	with embarrassment.
c)	He suddenly turned	with fear.
d)	Her lips were	with cold.



5. COLOUR-CODED

Which "colour word" is being described?

- a) a tropical disease that can be very dangerous: yellow _____
- b) a successful company that makes a profit: blue _ _ _ _
- c) official rules that seem unnecessary: red
- d) a US banknote: green _ _ _ _
- e) people who work in offices, not in factories: white-___ workers

6. OUT OF THE BLUE

Identify the correct colour. What do the sentences mean?

- a) When my brother visited me, we decided to go out and paint the town blue red.
- b) I told them a green white lie and said that I had to go the doctor. I felt awful afterwards.
- c) Good news! We've been given the greenred light to go ahead with the project.
- d) It's been another black red day for the car industry, with more job losses announced.
- e) I told him that he was making a mistake until I was blue - green in the face. He just wouldn't listen.

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