

Vocabulary for ESL Students: Color Words Activities

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Vocabulary is the foundation for all ESL learners, allowing them to develop better comprehension and communication in a new language. Color words are among the first things taught to beginners, allowing them to start describing the world around them. With ESL students of all ages, and especially children, it is crucial to offer them tasks that make learning more fun and interactive.

In this article, we review ideas and activities for easy and successful color vocabulary acquisition.



Tips for Successful Learning

2. Use Hands-On Activities: Creating experiences where young ESL students can physically touch objects of different colors can make learning more tangible and memorable.

- Flashcards. Create bright flashcards with a picture of an object of a certain color, then have the color word on the back. Make it a matching game for more fun!
- Color Scavenger Hunt. Children can look for objects of certain colors around the house or the classroom.
- Role Playing Games. Set up role playing scenes that incorporate the color vocabulary. Ex. children can pretend to be shopping at a grocery store and only be able to purchase items that are the color green.

2. Incorporate Fun Online Resources: Using online videos and interactive worksheets can make learning more exciting. Catchy songs, animated characters and critical thinking practice within vocabulary work can help deepen the learning, especially for ESL students.

Let's have a look at some educational resources we offer at Kids Academy.

Videos and Worksheets

Kids Academy has a range of videos and worksheets designed to help young ESL learners master color vocabulary.

Videos

We introduce colors in a fun and engaging way that's interesting for young ESL learners. Each video focuses on one color and uses an appealing elephant character, bright animations, relatable examples and super simple language. The imagery in these videos help students associate each color with familiar objects.

1. **Green**: Introduces the color green using the topic of spring and nature. The merry visuals and help students remember and recognize this color as the cheerful elephant and leprechaun are adding color to the scenery.



Watch on [YouTube](#)

2. **Yellow**: Kids will learn about the color yellow while spending a nice summer day with Eddie the elephant. Watch on to find all kinds of things yellow!



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Watch our whole [video compilation on color words](#), featuring colors blue, red, yellow, green and orange!

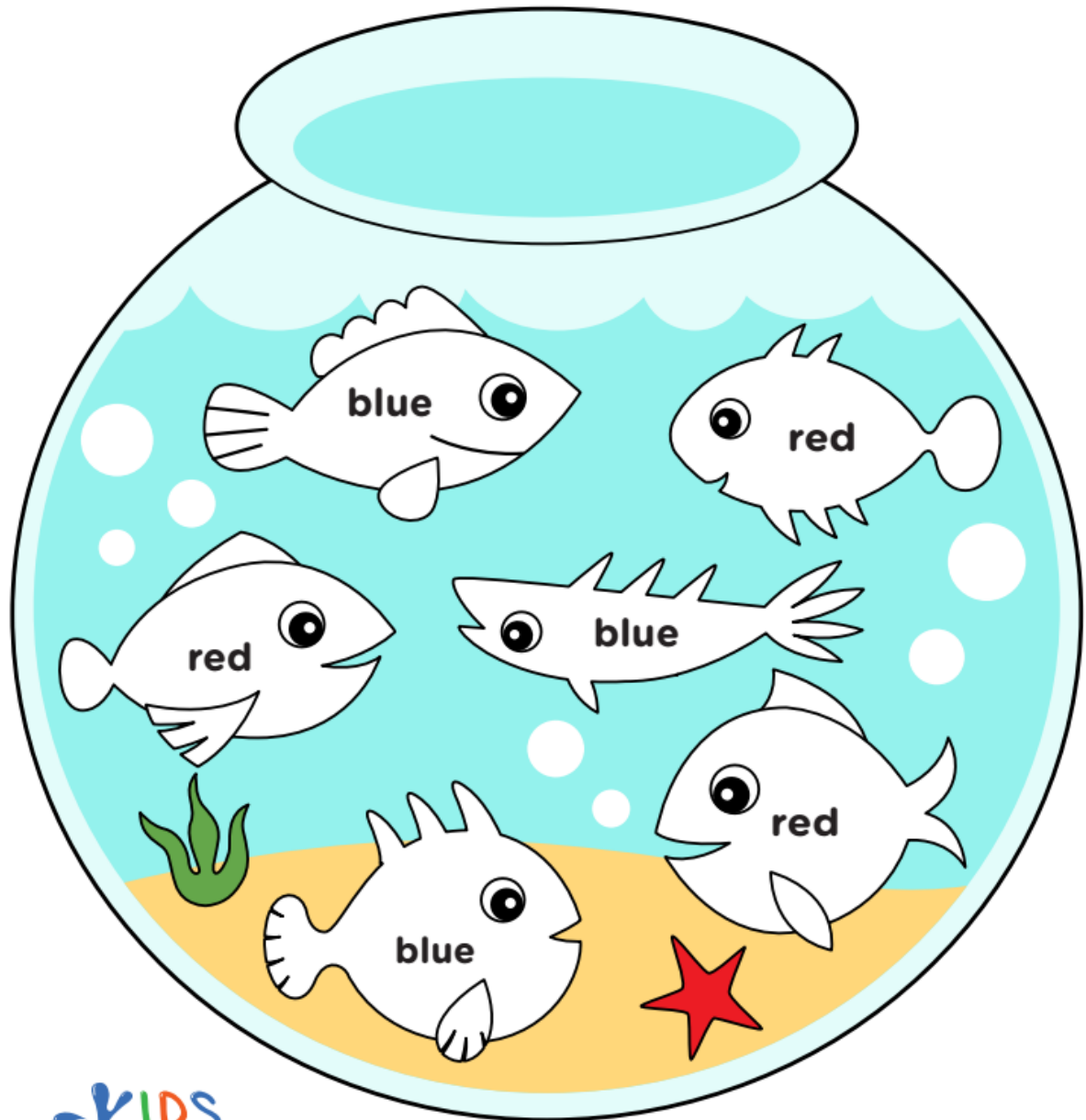
Worksheets

These resources are designed to make learning colors an enjoyable and rewarding experience for young ESL students.

1. **Red and Blue Coloring Fun:** This worksheet invites students to color fish in a fish bowl. Most children can identify things that are certain colors, but are not able to actually read the color words. With this activity, students can have fun identifying what colors they will need to color each fish to create a colorful fish bowl!

Red and Blue Coloring Fun

Color the fish.



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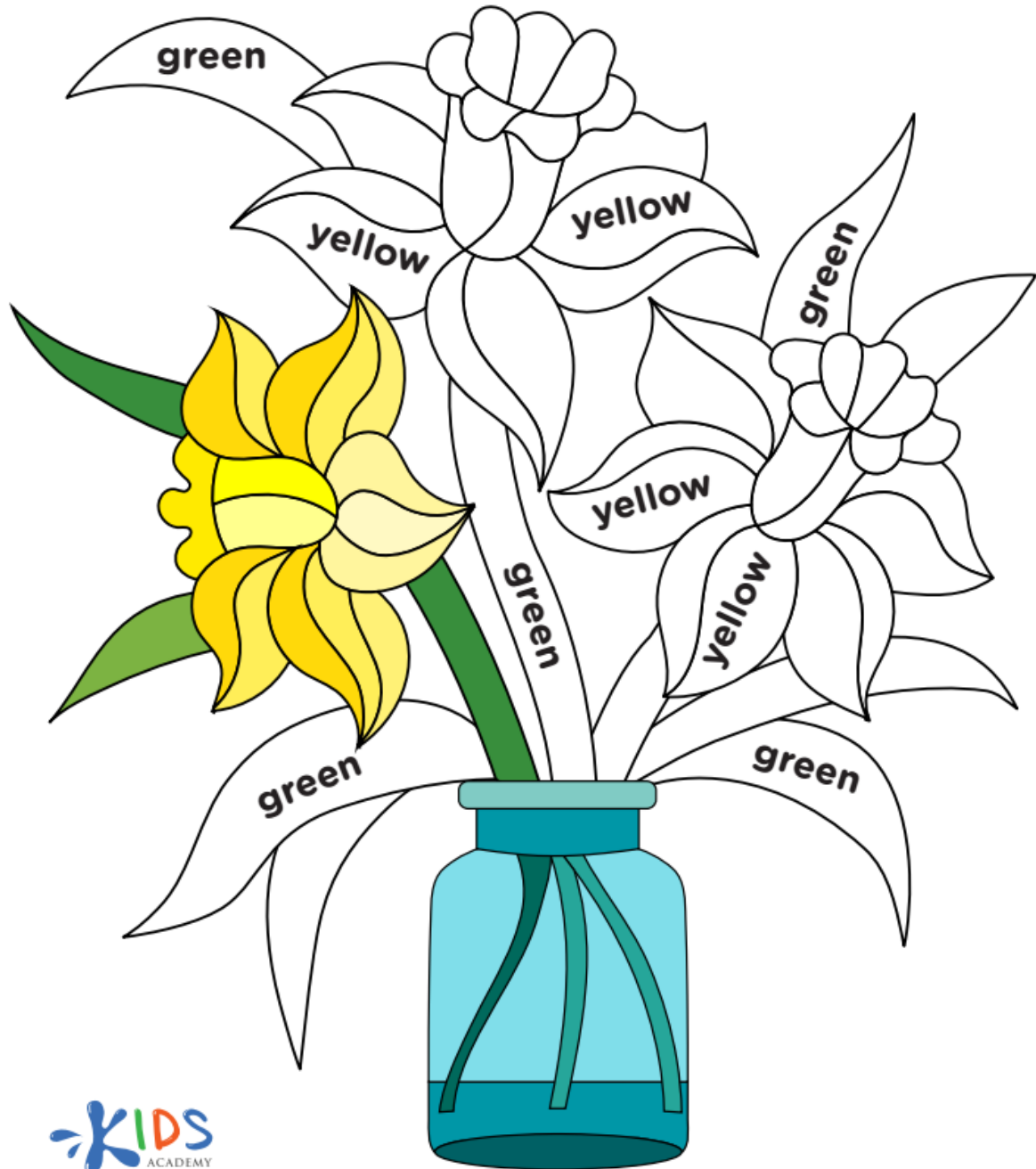
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2. **Yellow and Green Coloring Fun:** Similar to the above, this worksheet focuses on the colors yellow and green. Students will read what color they need to use to create a beautiful bouquet of flowers focusing on the colors yellow and green. As an extension activity children could draw their own bouquet and label the colors on their own. Practicing their vocabulary further.

Yellow and Green Coloring Fun

Color the flowers.



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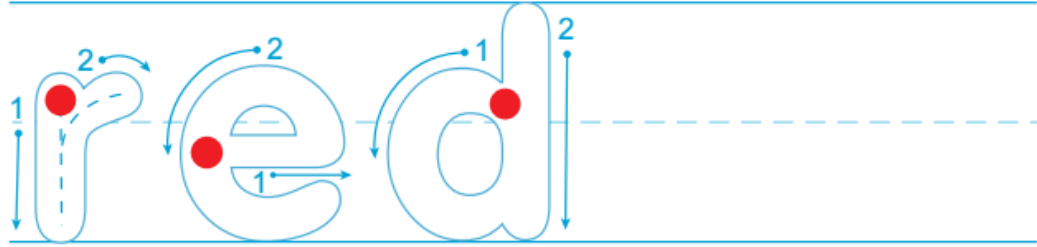
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3. [Handwriting Color Words - Red](#): This worksheet helps students practice writing the word 'red', combining handwriting skills with color learning.

Red



Trace the word **red**.
Start at the big red dot.



Circle all of the **red** objects.



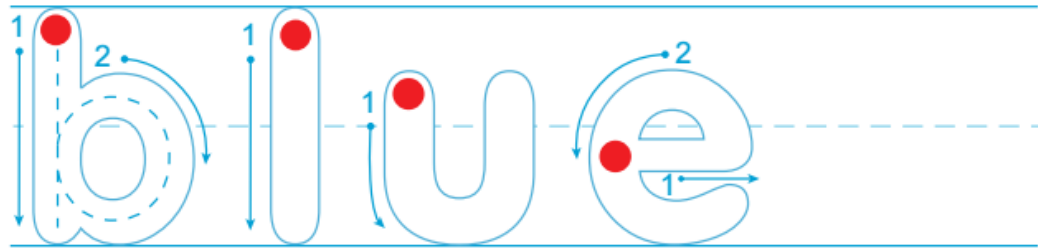
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4. **Handwriting Color Words - Blue:** This worksheet helps students practice writing the word 'blue', reinforcing their color vocabulary and handwriting skills.

Blue



Trace the word **blue**.
Start at the big red dot.



Circle all of the **blue** objects.



Click on the worksheet to download it or complete online!

5. [Colors Assessment 1](#), [Colors Assessment 2](#): These two assessment activities will help students to review and recap all the major color words.

Colors: Assessment

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Circle the correct word for each color.



blue

black



white

red



yellow

purple



brown

purple



blue

pink

Colors: Assessment 2



Circle the correct word for each color.



pink

green



red

black



orange

green



white

pink



black

brown

Vocabulary with Kids Academy Classroom

To make learning even more fun, Kids Academy has a [Classroom feature](#). Parents and teachers can create a classroom with diverse activities from our online Resource Library and share it with their kids (see an example below). It can be very helpful in creating a structured learning space where you can tailor activities to each child and track their progress.

The screenshot shows a virtual classroom environment. On the left, a female teacher with glasses and a red sweater holds a book and a whiteboard marker. In the center, a green chalkboard displays the following information:

- An information icon (i) in a yellow circle.
- A notification: "3/3 Great! Share the code with your students."
- A "Classrooms list" button.
- Text: "Your students must use this code to enter the Classroom:"
- A large code: "8076"
- A URL: "kidsacademy.com/go"
- A timer: "Code expires in: 00:59:47"
- A yellow button: "COPY JOIN LINK"

Below the chalkboard, a purple navigation bar shows a list of activities:

- 1st** (4:00 min): Video titled "Colors: YELLOW" featuring a yellow car.
- 2nd** (4:00 min): Video featuring a grey elephant wearing a green hat.
- 3rd** (3:00 min): Worksheet titled "Yellow" with a yellow crayon and the word "yellow" written in various styles.
- 4th** (3:00 min): Worksheet titled "Yellow and Green Coloring Fun" with a coloring page of a yellow and green flower.
- 5th** (3:00 min): Worksheet titled "Colors: Assessment" with a grid for matching colors: blue, black, white, red, yellow, purple.

[Learn more about Kids Academy Classroom in this short Guide.](#)

While it can be overwhelming for parents, educators, and ESL students when learning new vocabulary, using a variety of strategies and resources can help enhance the necessary retention of vocabulary. Thus creating the much needed foundation for further learning!