



Cat's Colors by Jane Cabrera

Things to get ready:

1. Green, pink, black, red, yellow, purple, brown, blue, white, orange paint and large piece of paper.

- **Getting the children ready to listen:**

Tell the children that your story today deals with colors. Then read the following poem.

Colors, We Love You

Purple, we love you.
Yes, we do.
Eggplants, grapes,
And violets too.

Blue, we love you.
Yes, we do.
Sky and lakes,
And bluebirds.

Green we love you.
Yes, we do.
Grass and trees,
And lettuce too.

Red, we love you.
Yes, we do.
Apples, berries
And cherries too.

Orange we love you.
Yes, we do.
Pumpkin, juice,
And carrots too.

Yellow we love you.
Yes, we do.
Bananas, sun,
And lemons too.

- **Read-Aloud Guide**

BEFORE you read the book:

1. Tell the children that this book is about a cat and you are going to guess his favorite color. Read the title, author, and illustrator.
2. Show them the page with the question mark and encourage children to say each color as you point to it. Give a simple explanation of what a question mark is.
3. Have students tell you their favorite colors.

DURING reading:

1. After some of the page have the students tell you other things that are that color.
2. After you read finish each page write that color on a piece of paper with the corresponding crayon. For example, after you read about the green grass, then write green with the green crayon on the top of the page. When you are done the book you will have a page full of color words.
3. Point out the other animals on each page.

AFTER reading:

1. Review the colors with the students by using the paper that has the color words on it.
2. Have students see if they can remember what object corresponded with each color. (green grass, yellow sand, red rug, etc)
3. Choose either or both of the following activities.

Extension Activities

Activity 1

1. Sing the following song. It is to the tune "If You're Happy and You Know it"

If you're wearing the color green pat your stomach.

If you're wearing the color green pat your stomach.

If you're wearing the color green then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color green clap pat your stomach.

If you're wearing the color pink bend down.

If you're wearing the color pink bend down.

If you're wearing the color pink then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color pink bend down.

If you're wearing the color red shout hooray.

If you're wearing the color red shout hooray.

If you're wearing the color red then your clothes will really show it.

**If you're wearing the color red shout
hooray.**

If you're wearing the color blue clap your hands.

If you're wearing the color blue clap your hands.

If you're wearing the color blue then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color blue clap your hands.

If you're wearing the color yellow stamp your feet.

If you're wearing the color blue stamp your feet.

If you're wearing the color yellow then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color yellow stamp your feet.

If you're wearing the color purple tap your head.

If you're wearing the color purple tap your head.

If you're wearing the color purple then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color purple clap your hands.

If you're wearing the color orange touch your knee.

If you're wearing the color orange touch your knee.

If you're wearing the color orange then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing the color orange touch your knee.

If you're wearing any color sit down.

If you're wearing any color sit down.

If you're many colors then your clothes will really show it.

If you're wearing any color sit down.

Activity 2

Read the poem by Barbara Pratt. Make sure you have the students guess the color. You can add more verses if you want to.

What Color Am I?

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I am thinking of a color that is the color of the sky.

What color am I? (Blue).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of the sun.

What color am I? (Yellow).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of grass.

What color am I? (Green).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of milk.

What color am I? (White).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of a lemon

What color am I? (Yellow).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of a lime

What color am I? (Green).

I am thinking of a color that is the color of an orange

What color am I? (Orange).

Activity 3

Have students paint a piece of paper their favorite color. After the paper dries have the student tell you things that are that color and write it on the back of the page.

Related Books

The Mixed- Up Chameleon

by Eric Carle

Color Zoo

by Lois Ehlert

Mary Wore her Red Dress, and Henry

Wore his Green Sneakers

by Merle Peek

Brown Bear, Brown Bear

What Do You See?

by Billy Martin Jr.