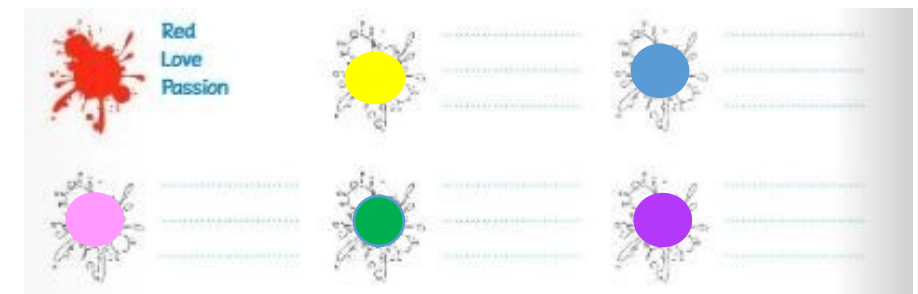




Every color means something special. Red, for instance, is a mark of matrimony; brides in India wear red most often at their wedding since it symbolizes fertility, love, beauty, and, most importantly, is a sign of a married woman. Yellow is yet another important color. Yellow is almost synonymous with knowledge, and learning.

Other colors that tease the skies on Holi include blue, the color of the revered god in Hinduism, Lord Krishna, it is also the color of the sky and oceans. Green symbolizes new beginnings, harvest, and nature, and is also the sacred color of the Muslim community in India. Pink is associated to the color of compassion. Purple is the color of magic and mystery.

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Match the definitions:

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| Generosity | • | • When two people are friends |
| Kindness | • | • To have strong feelings of affection |
| Optimism | • | • The quality of being kind |
| Love | • | • Freedom from war and violence |
| Friendship | • | • The quality of being full of hope |
| Peace | • | • The quality or condition of being generous |

Read the text and underline the words you understand. Circle the words you don't understand.

Is the Holi festival religious? Yes, it is. It's a major festival in the Hindu religion (l.1-2)
At what time of the year is this festival? Between Winter and Spring, therefore in March. In 2023 it was on March 8th.
What happens during it? People throw coloured powder in the air and everybody gets colourful.
Why does "Barriers between rich and poor, men and women, young and old are broken down"? Because people are all coloured and you can't recognize them. Everybody is equal and party in harmony.

What is the Holi Festival ? It's a Hindu festival that takes place just before Spring and which celebrates the beginning of a new time in year and a new beginning for people.