

Colour

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*What is pink? a rose is pink
By a fountain's brink.
What is red? a poppy's red
In its barley bed.
What is blue? the sky is blue
Where the clouds float thro'.
What is white? a swan is white
Sailing in the light.
What is yellow? pears are yellow,
Rich and ripe and mellow.
What is green? the grass is green,
With small flowers between.
What is violet? clouds are violet
In the summer twilight.
What is orange? Why, an orange,
Just an orange!*

What else can you think of that is pink, red, blue, white, yellow, green...?

Can you rewrite Rossetti's poems on colours? Feel free to change the colours.

Spicy Challenge:

Can you change the theme of the poem? Maybe a poem on shape?

Hot Challenge:

Could you include some of our Spanish words for colour?

Or does someone in your home speak another language? Could they help you use this language in a poem?