

FRIDAYLIGHT ICEBREAKERS

The Color Muse will help your guests to learn more about one another.

Print and cut out more Muse Cards than the number of guests you expect to attend your House Party. When they first arrive, have each person take a turn drawing a card from a cup. After reading it they should complete the phrase:

“When I think of (color), I think of (a memory, thought or idea) because _____.”

You'll be surprised by what comes up!

RED intense; stop signs, stoplights, fire equipment. You can “paint the town red,” “see red,” or have a very special “red letter day”. Red is the color of good luck in China and many cultures believe it wards off evil. Red cars get the most traffic tickets.

BLUE peaceful; the sky and the oceans. Earth is the blue planet. Those who are “true blue,” are loyal. You can “feel blue,” win a “blue ribbon,” or marry a “blue blood”. “Out of the blue,” means unexpected, “Into the blue,” means into the unknown, and the “blues” of course, is a style of music.

PINK cheerful, calming; flowery, a color of universal love; cotton candy, bubble gum and a ballet dancer's tutu; femininity, trust, healthy, red's kissing cousin; you can be “in the pink” or “tickled pink”.

GREEN nature, including the vast majority of plants; healing and calming; the color of money, the color of envy. A green light tells you to “GO”. You can be “green around the gills,” “green with envy,” or have a “green thumb.” Green can mean youthful or even naïve. Green is the color of Ireland.

ORANGE vibrant, citrus, modern; autumn leaves, the changing of seasons and the passing of day to night and night to day; vitality, brilliance, boldness, endurance.

YELLOW warmth, sunshine, the color of peace. Wildflowers. Legal pads. Yellow is used for caution and warning tape, a person who is considered a coward may be called “yellow”. You can tie a yellow ribbon to show support for soldiers or read some sensationalized “Yellow journalism”.

PURPLE royalty, luxury, inspiration, imagination and wealth; often feminine. You can earn a “purple heart” for being wounded or killed in battle or pen some overblown, flowery “Purple prose”.

WHITE purity, truce, cleanliness, the moon, the classic bride's gown. A “white knight” rescues someone in distress. You can go to a “white sale” or “white water rafting”; have a garage full of “white elephants” or “whitewash” something to make it seem better than it is.

BROWN earthy, neutral, comfortable, trustworthy, reliable; solid, woody, solemn; most often considered masculine.

BLACK night, mourning, secrecy and the little black dress; often the color of robes in religious ceremonies. You can attend an elegant “black-tie event” or earn a “black belt” in martial arts. A “blacklist” boycotts individuals or organizations and a “black sheep” is an outcast.

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