



# Info Sheet: Colours / Colors & Shades

## Some information about this topic:

- The word “color” is more used in AmE while “colour” is more used in BrE.
- Shades are variants of the same colour and can be “light” or “dark” (e.g. light blue).
- We can add “-ish” to refer to an “approximate” colour (e.g. yellowish, reddish).
- Remember that colours are adjectives, so they come before nouns (e.g. a red car).
- We usually use colours with verb “to be” (e.g. it is a pink flower, my pens are blue).
- “gray” is used in AmE and “grey” is mostly used in BrE to refer to the same colour.
- There are more colours besides the ones below, resulting from combinations.

## Most Common Colours

	black		dark blue		yellow
	white		light blue		orange
	gray / grey		cyan turquoise		red
	brown		dark green		dark red
	beige		light green		pink
	purple		violet		magenta