



## RED

Red is warm.

Red is sunburn.

Red is spicy cinnamon candy.

Red is a stubbed toe.

Red is a fuzzy plaid blanket.

Red is the snap, crackle, and pop of a fire.

Red is tomato soup with a grilled cheese.

Red is a cozy winter scarf.

# JANUARY

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Draw a red square ■ on each day that you read a poem or a book.

Draw a blue triangle ▲ on each day that you wrote a story or a poem.

Draw a light blue circle ● on each day that you drew a picture.

# COLOR POEM

**Color Poems** use descriptions, nouns, experiences, and the five senses to express feelings about one or more colors. **Color Poems** can be any length, usually do not rhyme, and can contain similes. Danny chose to write a **Color Poem** about his favorite color, red. Use the templates and suggestions below to write a **Color Poem** of your own.

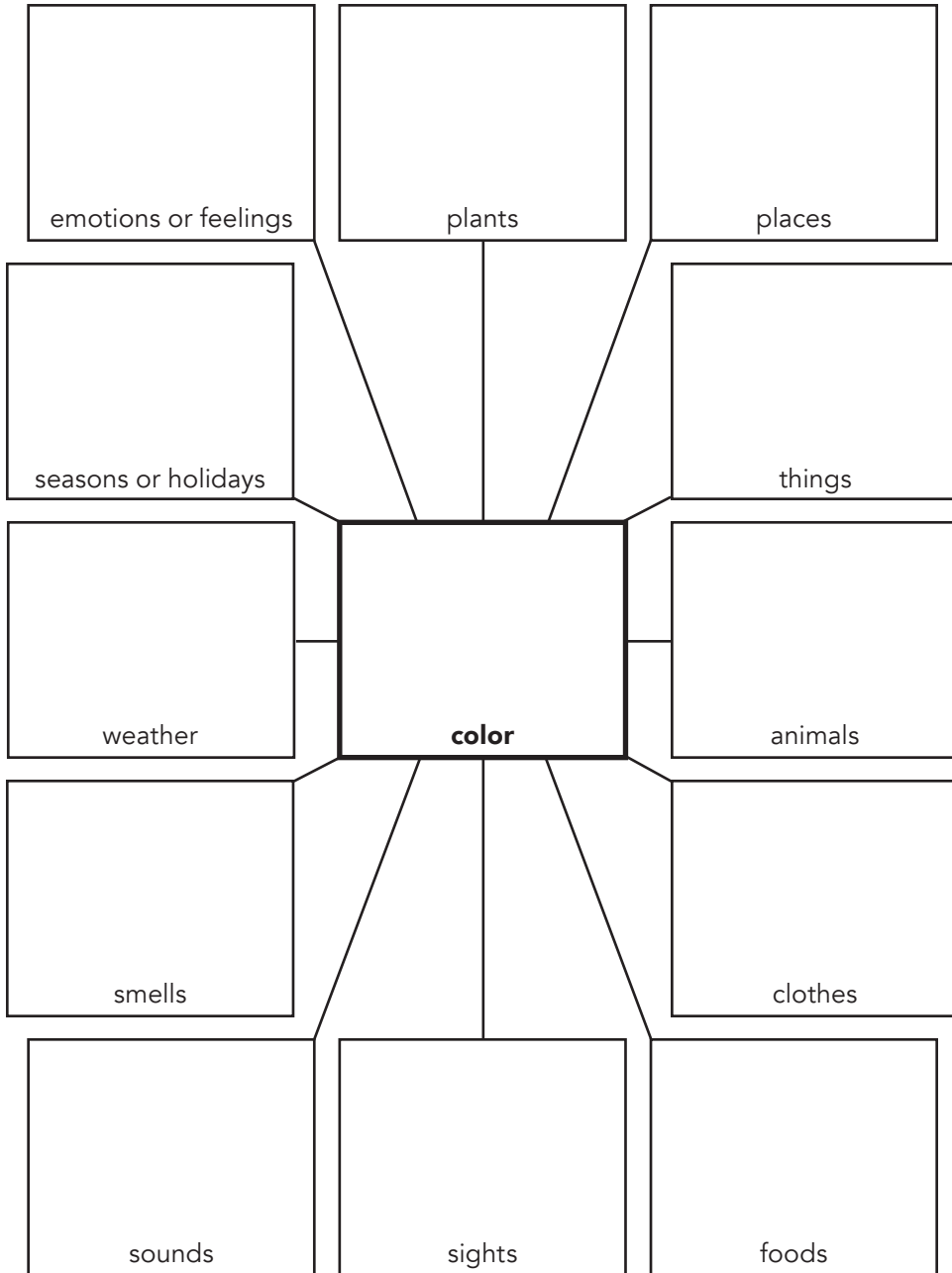
1. Choose a color and brainstorm ideas for your **Color Poem** using the Brainstorming Template. Write words and/or draw pictures of your ideas in each of the boxes.
2. Fill in the **Color Poem** templates. Select your favorite ideas and/or drawings to include in your poem. Decide the order of your ideas and consider the rhythm and flow of your words. Write one poem on the right side of this piece of paper. Cut out your **Color Poem** and glue it into your *Poetry Notebook*.
3. What else can you do with your **Color Poem**?
  - Illustrate your poem.
  - Create your own book. Read *Danny Likes Red* for inspiration.
  - Transform your **Rainbow Poem** into an actual rainbow. On a sheet of paper, draw a rainbow with a line for each color in your poem. Write each line of your poem onto the corresponding color of the rainbow. Glue your **Rainbow Poem** in your *Poetry Notebook*.
  - Turn your poem into a guessing game. Have somebody else read your poem out loud, and instead of saying the color, change it to "This color..." After reading the poem, let the listeners guess the color.
  - Share your poems with us! Share your poem on our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages at @MaryRuthBooks or by email to [admin@maryruthbooks.com](mailto:admin@maryruthbooks.com).

**Color Poem** Brainstorming Template

**Select** a color for your poem.

**Brainstorm** to fill in the boxes with words or pictures that describe the color.

**Use** brainstormed words to help write your colorful poetry.



**Color Poem** Practice Template #1

\_\_\_\_\_ Choose a color and write it on the line. This is your title.

\_\_\_\_\_ is the color of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ reminds me of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

Choose a color and write it on the line. This is your title.

\_\_\_\_\_ feels like \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ looks like \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ smells like \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ tastes like \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ sounds like \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ makes me \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

## My Rainbow Poem

Red is \_\_\_\_\_

Orange is \_\_\_\_\_

Yellow is \_\_\_\_\_

Green is \_\_\_\_\_

Blue is \_\_\_\_\_

Purple is \_\_\_\_\_

Pink is \_\_\_\_\_

Brown is \_\_\_\_\_

Gray is \_\_\_\_\_

Black is \_\_\_\_\_

White is \_\_\_\_\_