

BLUE VS. YELLOW

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ABOUT THE BOOK

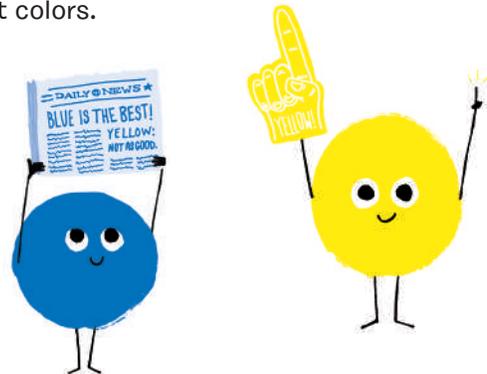
Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, welcome to the Clash of the Colors! BLUE VS. YELLOW! Which one will be declared the best color of all? Will they join forces and be mightier together? Or . . . will another color challenge them for the title? Ding! Ding! Let the battle begin!

STORYTIME ACTIVITIES

- **ALL MIXED UP:** Provide the children with materials for mixing colors. This activity can be done using different colors of paint or Play-Doh or cellophane. Have the children predict what color will appear when two other colors are combined, and then see if their prediction is correct. After this activity, make a color-mixing poster with the children.
- **WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE?:** List six colors on a chart or whiteboard. Ask the children to make a tally mark next to their favorite choice. As a group, count the tallies and turn the data into a graph. Then ask the children questions so they can practice reading and interpreting a bar graph. Which color is the group's favorite? Which did they like the least? How many more children liked green than yellow? Which two colors had the same number of votes?
- **HERE'S WHY . . . :** Discuss the story. Why does Blue think it is the best color? Why does Yellow? Discuss the reasons each color offers to support its opinion. Then split the group into teams and have each team decide upon a best color. Hold a debate and let the teams suggest reasons explaining why their color is superior. Older children can do this by writing an opinion piece about their color. They should state their opinion, offer at least three reasons for why their color is the best, and then include a closing sentence.

After holding the debate or sharing opinion pieces, determine which team was the most persuasive.

- **ONE AT A TIME:** Divide the group into smaller groups of 4–5 children. Each child should choose one color crayon or marker that no one else in the group selects. Give each group a large piece of paper. The first child draws a picture with his crayon. The next child adds to the picture with her color, and so on. (For example, a child with a black crayon might draw a house and a driveway. The next child might add red bricks and red flowers in a garden. The next child might add a yellow sun, a yellow cat, and yellow flowers.) When the last child in the group has had a turn, share the completed picture with the group.
- **OVER THE RAINBOW:** Discuss the colors of the rainbow. Have children create a rainbow picture using different colors.



WHAT IS THINK BIG?

THINK BIG! Letters, Colors, Shapes is a natural concept theme arising from titles *Little i*, *Blue vs. Yellow*, and *Love, Triangle*, which focus respectively on letters, colors, and shapes. These compatible books demonstrate fundamental ideas while still providing entertaining and engaging stories.

More printable activities available at hc.com/storytime



HERE'S WHY

All of the colors in *Blue vs. Yellow* claim that they are the best color. Of all the colors in the world, what color do you think is the best? Write your reasons below!



The best color is _____

I think this because:

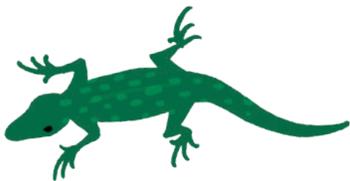
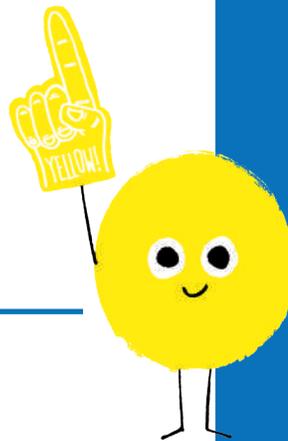
1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

In conclusion, _____

is the best color because _____





OVER THE RAINBOW

Blue vs. Yellow celebrates the three primary colors, but there are so many others!
Color in the rainbow below with your favorites.

