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## Vocabulary Builder: Interesting Colors

Descriptive color words can be used to make our writing more detailed and interesting. Study the color words below. Then use them to complete the sentences that follow.

| mauve (mah-v) | pale purple |
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| amber (am-ber) | honey yellow with a hint of orange or tan |
| scarlet (scar-lit) | brilliant or bright red |
| chartreuse (shar-trooz) | a pale yellowish-green |
| fuchsia (fyoo-sha) | a vivid or bright purplish-red, almost pink |
| azure (az-shur) | bright blue, like a cloudless sky |
| taupe (toh-p) | gray with a tinge of brown |
| cyan (si-uhn) | a deep greenish-blue |

1. The prehistoric mosquito was fossilized in the hardened $\qquad$ sap of a coniferous tree.
2. As I lounged on the beach, I gazed at the perfect $\qquad$ sea that stretched out in front of me.
3. Our new $\qquad$ couch matched the neutral shades in the living room.
4. The $\qquad$ holly berries stood out against the surrounding green foliage.
5. Dozens of unripe, $\qquad$ lemons filled the large tree.
6. Nate admired the $\qquad$ flowers that bloomed on the lilac bushes in spring.
7. The movie star wore a surprising $\qquad$ lipstick with her pink sequined dress.
8. Outside the airplane window, Jenny saw nothing but clear $\qquad$ sky.

