

A Riot of Colour

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What would you think
If flamingos weren't pink
and Kermit the frog wasn't green?

If violets weren't blue
Oh, what would you do?
And roses not red? How obscene!

And if coal wasn't black
that would be slack.
Do you understand what I mean?

It's just not alright
If snow isn't white.
White Christmas would never be seen!

And an orange must always be orange.
And green beans must always be green.

The hue of the sky must be blue as blue!
And certainly nothing between.

What if lemons weren't lemony yellow?
That just might surprise a fellow!

Is amethyst a gem with a mauve hue?
Are rubies not rich cherries too?
Aren't emeralds verdant and sapphires blue?

There's a rich tapestry at every turn.
Please take a look and see and learn.

Listen to my words; please do not spurn them!

Warning! Beautiful trees; please don't destroy!

Nesting birds; please do not annoy!

Wander through our many majestic parks.

Making certain you leave no marks!

Leave the wildflowers for other to see,

Put a smile on busy Miss Bee!

Please treasure our beautiful reefs and sand

And enjoy our bountiful land.

Appreciate the rainbow that is free!

The spectrum is for you and me!

A colourless world would be a sad place

If nature donned an ugly face.

And all we had was greyscale day to day...

Blank canvas! No vibrant display!

The world would be completely wrecked

I suspect...