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The Color Wheel

Primary colors: red, blue, yellow

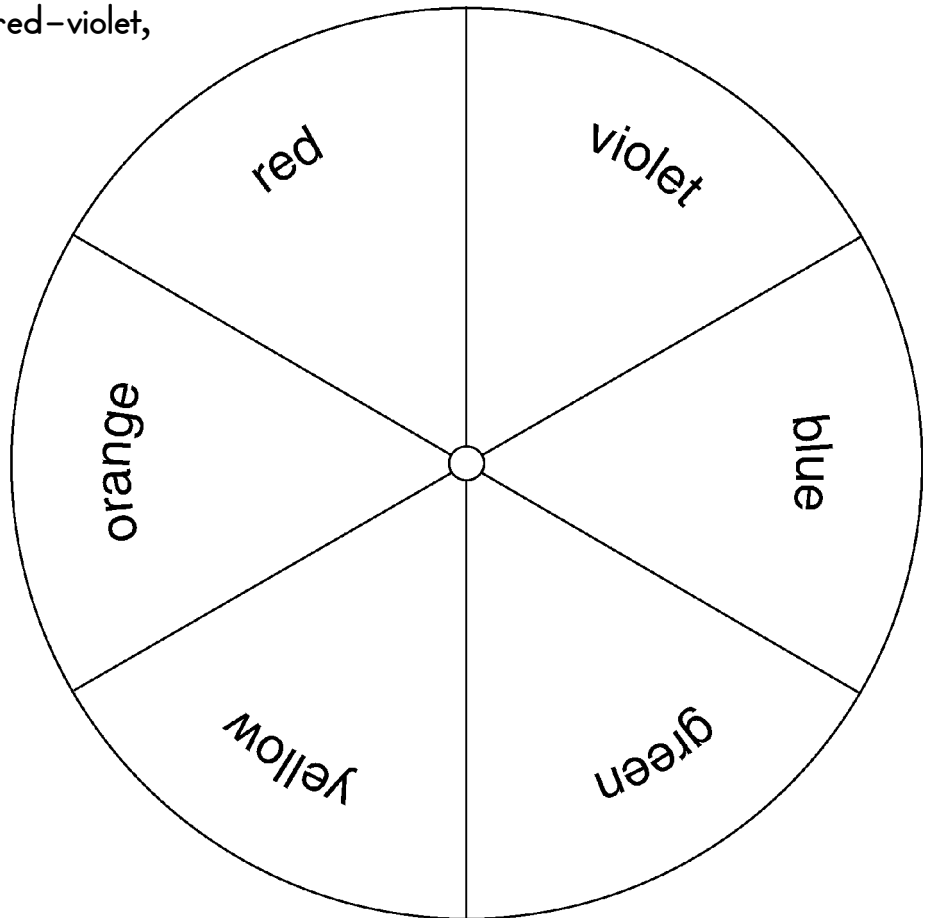
Secondary colors: orange, violet, green

Tertiary colors: red-orange, red-violet,
yellow-green, yellow-orange,
blue-green, and blue-violet

Complementary colors:
colors opposite each other on
the color wheel, such as
red/green, blue/orange,
and yellow/violet

Cool colors:
blue, violet, and green
(colors like water and ice)

Warm colors:
red, orange, and yellow
(colors like fire and sunlight)



Other Facts: Isaac Newton designed the color wheel in 1666. He was the first to use a circle of colors. With a circle, you can clearly see colors and their mixes and complementary opposites. Complementary colors make each other seem brighter when placed next to each other.

