

“Mots en couleurs” Contest – 2026 Rendez-vous de la Francophonie

Contest rules

1. General information

The “Mots en couleurs” contest, which is part of the 2026 Rendez-vous de la Francophonie (RVF), is open to all persons who have reached the age of majority in their province or territory of residence and who teach at a Canadian elementary school. The contest is not open to representatives or employees of the Dialogue Network, the 2026 RVF national coordination team or Public Services and Procurement Canada’s Translation Bureau, or to the persons with whom they reside.

2. Contest period

The 2026 RVF “Mots en couleurs” contest starts on March 1, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. (ET), and ends on March 31, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. (ET).

3. Contest instructions

To participate in the RVF’s “Mots en couleurs,” teachers must go to the “Contests” section of the RVF website (www.rvf.ca/en) and invite their students to do the suggested activities, in whole or in part. There are two ways to participate:

- **Option 1: Colour the pictures**, using the printable colouring pages.
- **Option 2: Choose the correct word**, using the online version or the printable colouring pages. For this activity, which is geared toward children in Grades 1 to 4, students must circle the correct French word in each pair of bolded words.

Teachers must then fill in the entry form. They must complete a single entry form for all of their groups, regardless of the number of groups participating or the number of activities completed with each group. Teachers must specify on the form the number of groups and total number of students that completed one or more of the activities. Only one entry form per teacher can be submitted during the contest period. Teachers must check the box confirming that the activities were done in whole or in part. They can also specify which activity or activities their students did.

Entry forms must be submitted online no later than 11:59 p.m. (ET) on March 31, 2026.

The entries received will be deemed to have been submitted by the authorized account holder of the email address assigned to that person by an Internet access provider, an online service provider or any other organization (such as a company or an educational institution) responsible for assigning email addresses for the domain associated with the email address submitted.

4. Prize

Two schools will each be awarded a \$500 gift card that can be redeemed at a bookstore that is part of the Les libraires network of bookstores or online at leslibraires.ca.

The contest organizers reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to replace the prize with one of equal or greater value or to consent to a transfer.

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5. General conditions

The draw for the prize will be held in the Dialogue Network offices between April 1 and April 10, 2026. The winning entries will be drawn from among all eligible entries received online from March 1 to 31, 2026. The chances of winning a prize depend on the total number of eligible entries received during the contest period.

The contest organizers will try to contact the representative of each winning school by telephone or by email within five (5) business days of the draw. The telephone number and email address provided in the entry must be valid. Proof of identity must be provided upon request. The first two schools whose entries are drawn will each be declared the winner of one of the two prizes, provided that they fulfill all the conditions specified in these contest rules.

The representative of each winning school waives all action against contest organizers and sponsors if the prize proves not to be to the representative's or the school's complete satisfaction. The contest organizers and sponsors reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to offer a prize of equal or greater value if the prize as described cannot be awarded for any reason.

Before being awarded a prize, the representative of the winning school must sign a declaration and release form attesting that they have read, understood and complied with the official contest rules, and grant all approvals required under those rules. In so doing, the representative of the winning school authorizes the contest organizers to disseminate, publish and communicate the representative's name, the name of the school and the city and province or territory where it is located, along with a photograph and any voice recordings of a representative of the winning school, if applicable, as part of any promotion or publicity, any transmission of information or any publication for entertainment and information purposes, without compensating the representative or school. The representative of the winning school accepts the prize as offered and releases the contest organizers and sponsors from all liability, regardless of its nature, that could arise from participation in the contest and from the receipt and use of the prize. If the winning school is not eligible, or if the school's representative cannot be contacted by the contest organizers within five (5) business days of the draw or does not sign and return the declaration and release form within the required period of time, the contest organizers reserve the right to disqualify the winning school and draw a new winner, and the contest organizers will have no obligation or liability whatsoever in this regard.

The contest is subject to all applicable federal, provincial, territorial and municipal laws and regulations.

The prize must be accepted as awarded, with no substitutions. The prize may not be transferred or converted to cash, and it may not be sold, traded or bartered. No claim for reimbursement will be deemed admissible.

The contest organizers and sponsors will not be held liable for theft, any forms of loss or any other human or technical error in awarding the prize, or for the loss or misplacement of entries.

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The contest organizers and sponsors will not be held liable for typographical or other errors in providing or administering this contest, including, but not limited to, advertising errors, errors in official contest rules, errors in the selection and announcement of the winning school or errors in the distribution of prizes.

The contest organizers and sponsors will not be held liable for any technical problem or malfunction in any telephone line or network, online computer system or server, or for software problems or congestion on the Internet or on any website. The contest organizers and sponsors will assume no liability for damage to the computer of the participant or of any other person arising from participation in the contest.