This painted ceramic provides a glimpse into how the ancient Maya lived and learned. See the curving line close to the teacher’s mouth? This speech thread leads to glyphs or Maya writing. Which colors would add special meaning to this scene?

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