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Red	54	52	52	53	52	50
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Blue	61	61	61	61	60	58

Based on the information presented can you infer anything about which color is liked the best?

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Brownies	32	30	31	31	29	30	28	28
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Because of the very small discrepancy in the quantities it is unlikely any deduction can be made about which sweets he should stock.