

Echo Mountain (for special ed)

54 activities

**5 comprehension
questions /2 chapters**

Special Needs for Special Kids





These novel units are something I created and started using in my classroom. I had students with significant challenges and most were **non-readers** (like my little guy). They were the best thing I ever did, and my students LOVED them.

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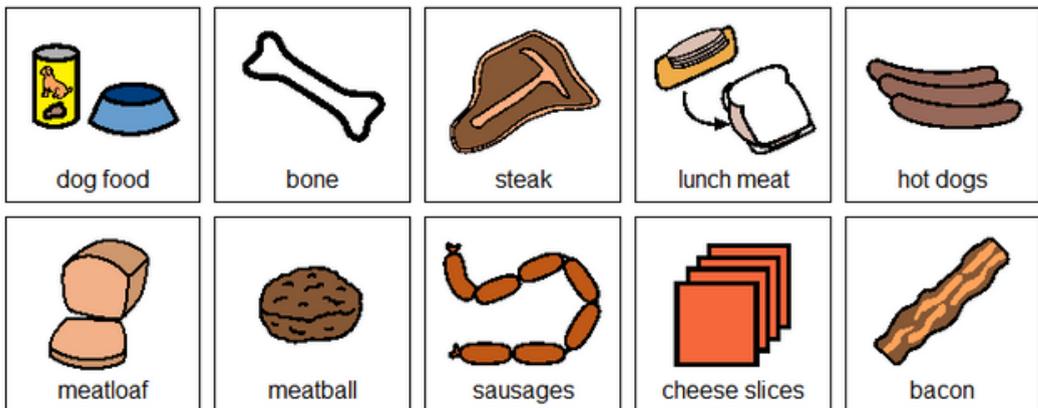
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This novel unit has 54 different activities.

These activities are NOT comprehension based. So, even if your students do not pay attention, they can still complete the activity.

What are some things that would be ok to feed a dog?



For example, Ellie's family does not have much food for them, let alone the dog. What are some things that would be ok to feed a dog?

Suggestions for Use

- I made this unit to go along with the book, *Echo Mountain* by Lauren Wolk
- The thought is that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1-2 chapters per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 8) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- Benefits of reading out loud, even to classes made up of severely affected students:
 - Teaches students to sit quietly even when there isn't something for them to do. This is such an important life skill. We all have to spend time sitting and listening to someone we are not that interested in at some point.
 - Parents will LOVE you. Not only will they be excited their child is being exposed to age appropriate material, but you are teaching them how to sit quietly, which will hopefully transfer to home as well.
 - Even with your lowest level learners, you will have 1 or 2 that will truly enjoy the story.
 - It can be a calming experience to sit and listen to the teacher read in a methodical way.

Suggestions on how I found this activity worked best in my classroom are provided. I typically had 6-8 students in grades K-5 with one adult assistant in the room with me.

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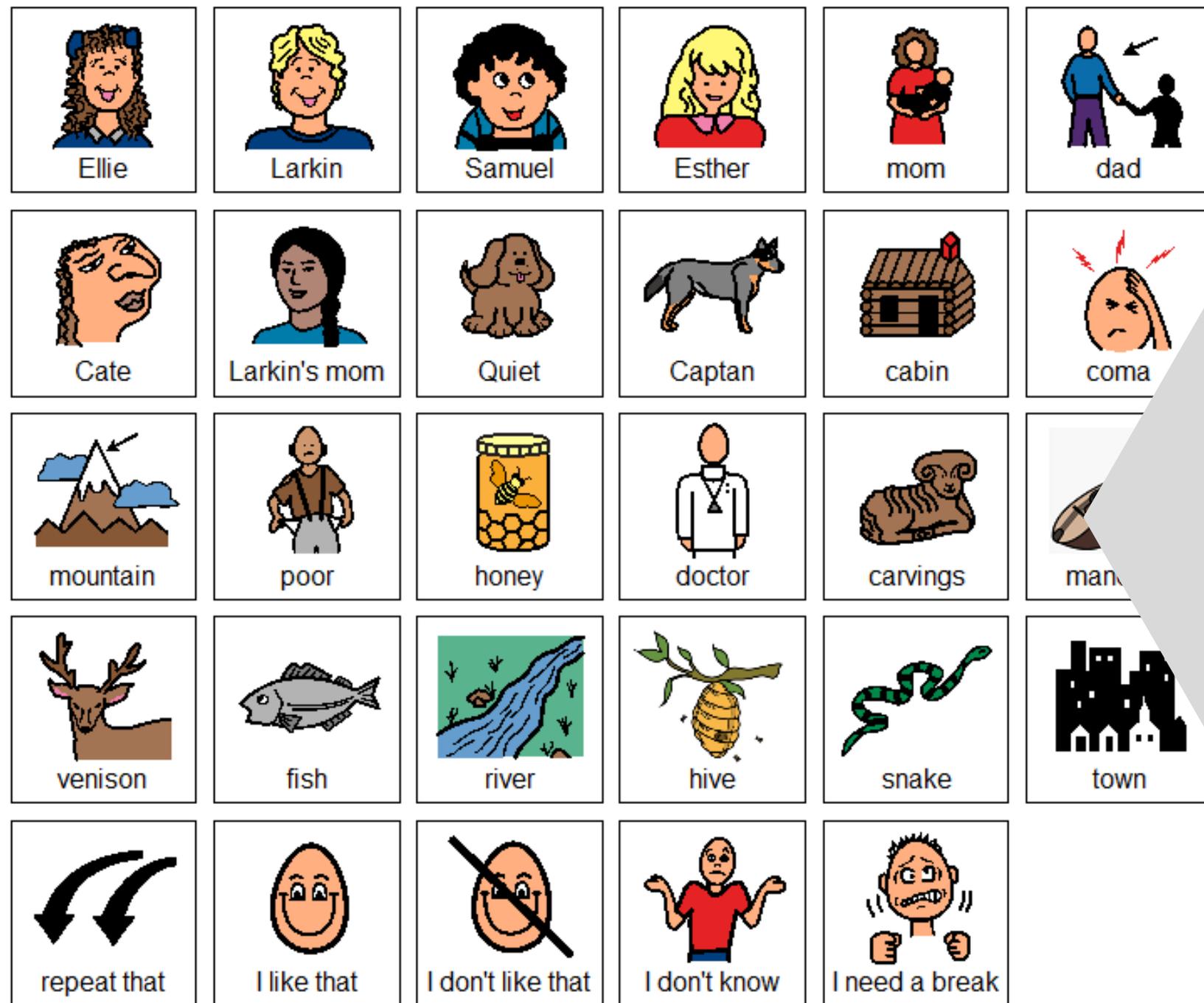
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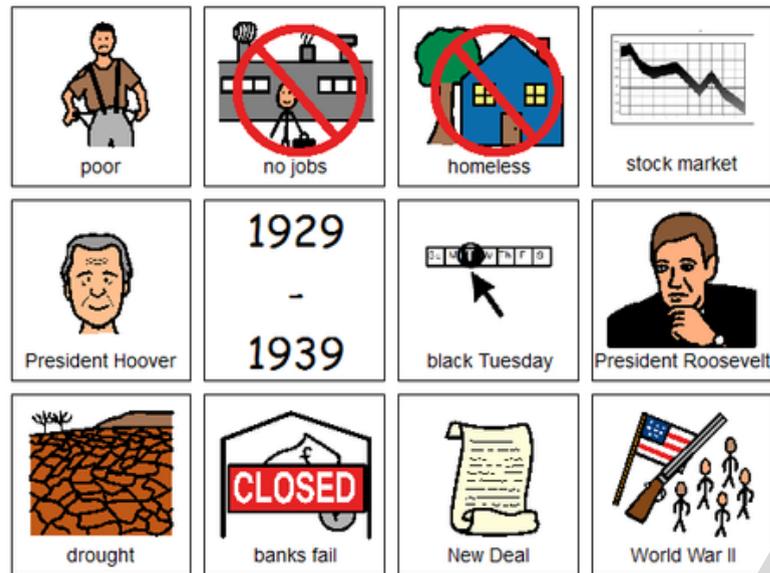
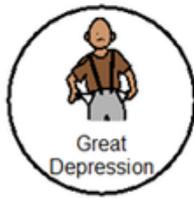
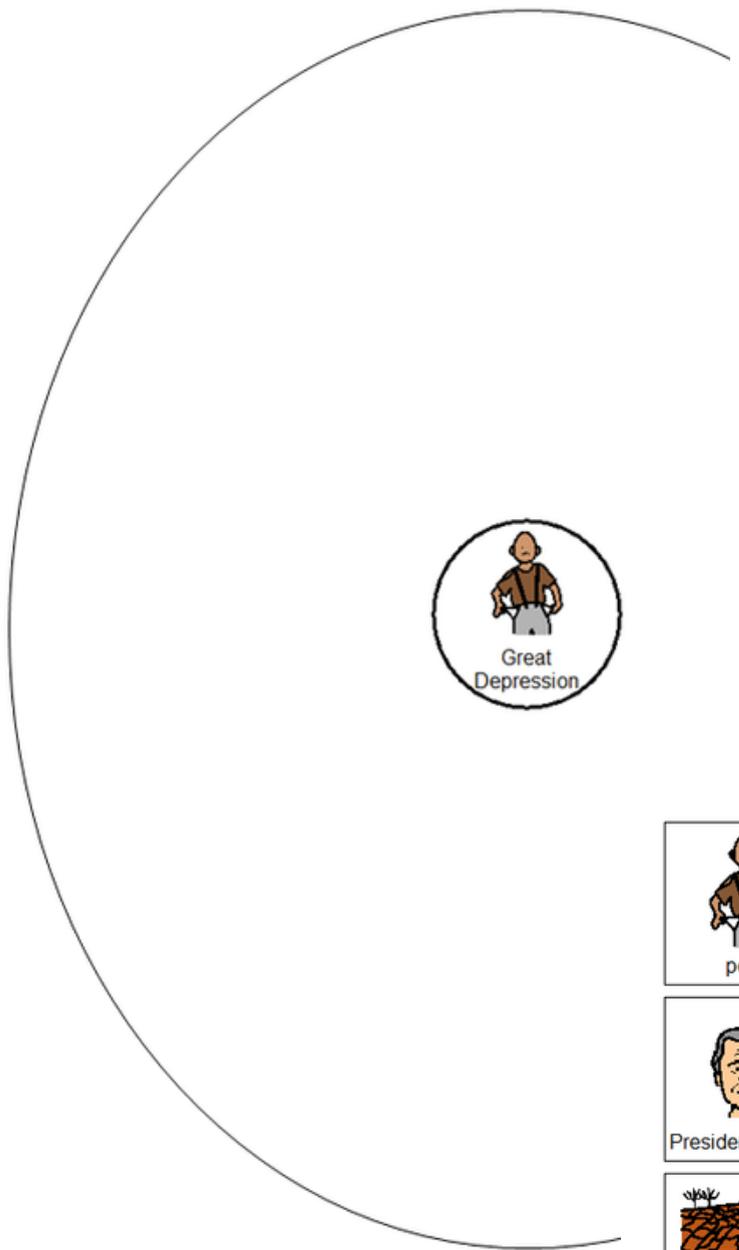
*This entire novel unit
comes in 2 separate files.
One is completely in color
and one is completely in
black and white.*



This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

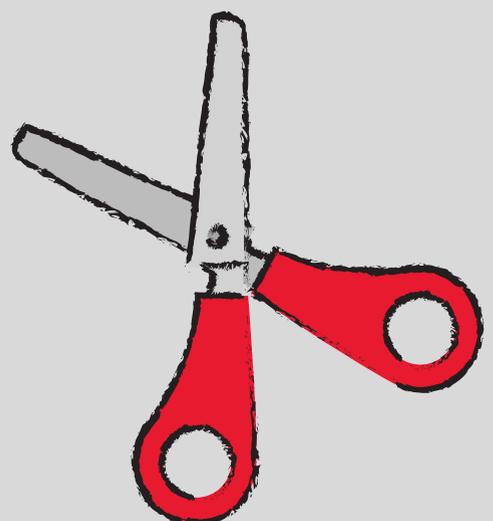
Vocabulary boards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

Tips on how to use in the unit!!

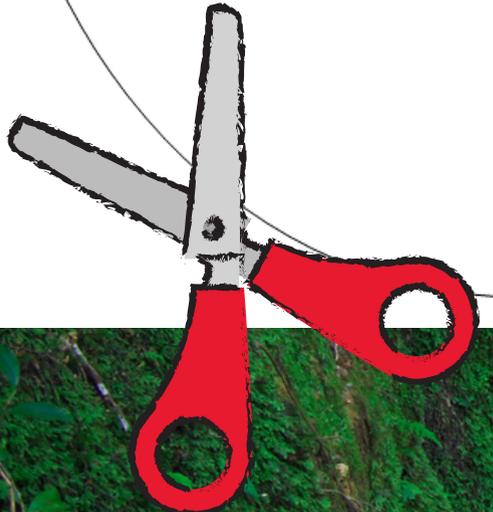
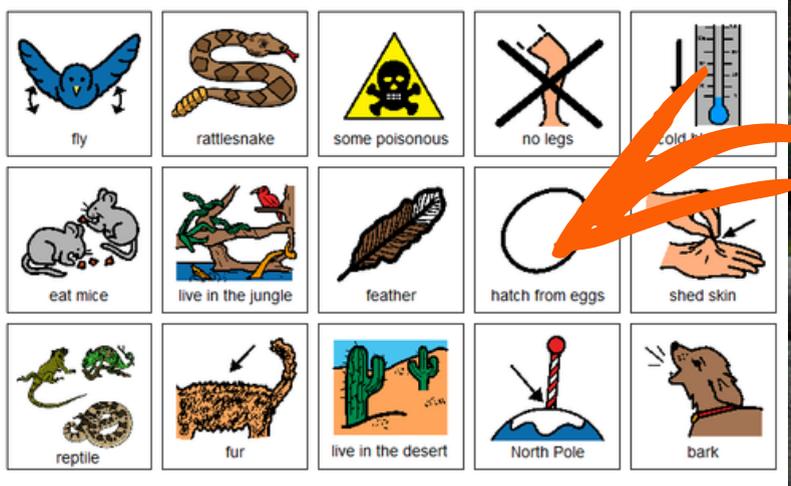
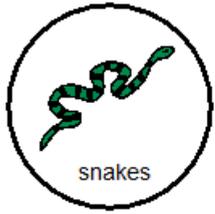


There are circle maps in this unit.

Circle maps are a great way for students to see the big idea.



What are some facts about snakes.

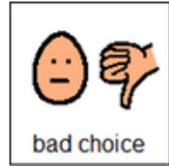


Each circle map comes with 2 choices:

An errorless option with only correct answers

An option that has wrong answers mixed in students will need to set aside.

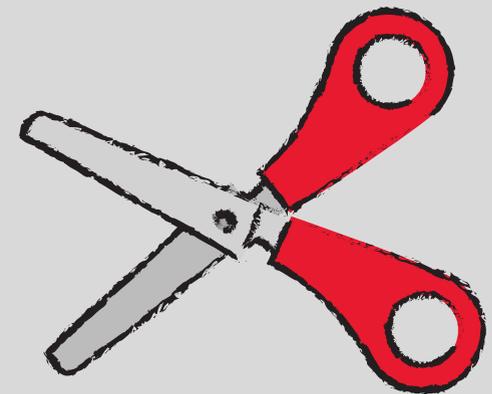
Cate, the old woman, is pretty sick. Ellie is going to try and take care of her. What are some good choices to give someone who does not feel well?



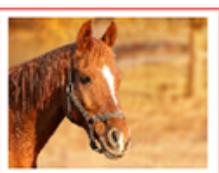
There are sorting activities.

Directions on how to add color coding for differentiation is included.

 hamburger	 cracker	 spare ribs	 rest
 ice cream	 steak	 pizza	 ginger ale
 tell an adult	 wait	 medicine	 fries



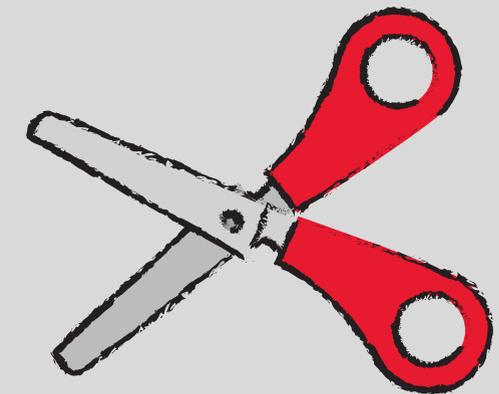
Match the baby to each parent below.

 rooster		 cat	
 dog		 horse	
 pig		 cow	
 sheep		 goat	

 foal	 puppy	 piglet	 lamb
 chick	 calf	 kid	 kitten

There are matching activities.

Directions on how to add color coding for differentiation is included.



My Fishing Story

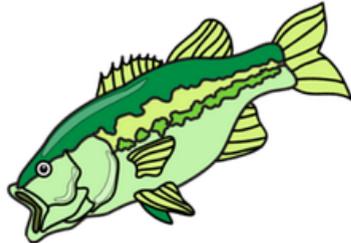
I went to the to go fishing.

I took my best .

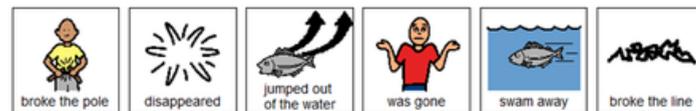


It took a long time, but I caught a fish as big as a .

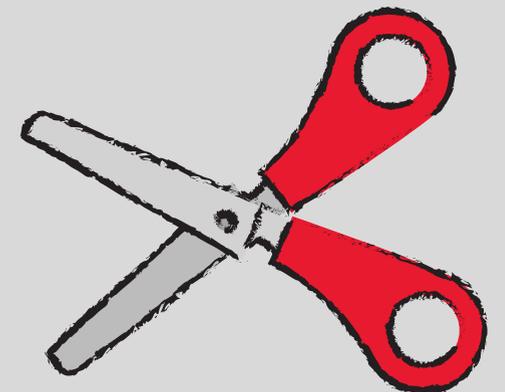
But then, it .



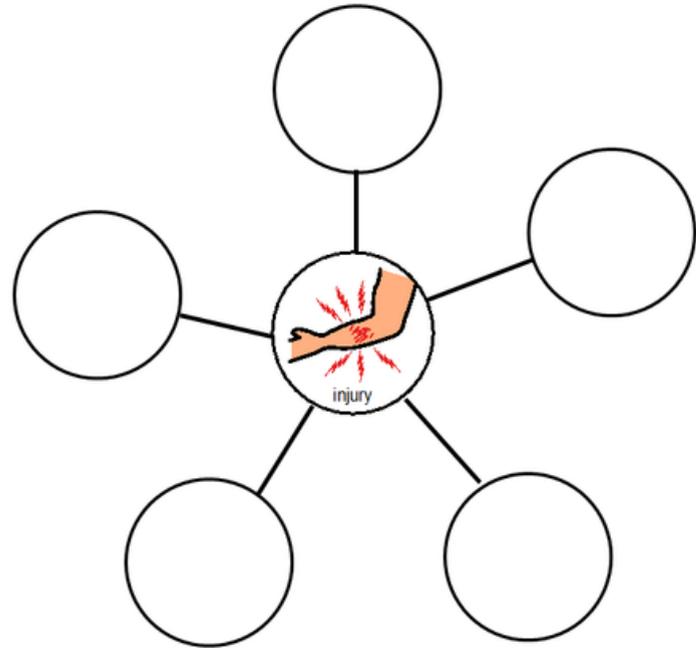
It was a day!!



There are several writing prompts in this unit. This is an **errorless** activity that allows students to write their own story and share it with the class.



Ellie wants to help heal the old woman's leg. What are some things you should do with a minor injury (that does not need a doctor)?

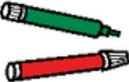
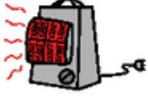


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Cate says that necessity is the mother of invention. Look at the following objects. What could you use if you DID NOT have that object?

 knife	<input type="text"/>	 dishwasher	<input type="text"/>
 bed	<input type="text"/>	 cabin	<input type="text"/>
 fork	<input type="text"/>	 markers	<input type="text"/>
 light	<input type="text"/>	 heater	<input type="text"/>

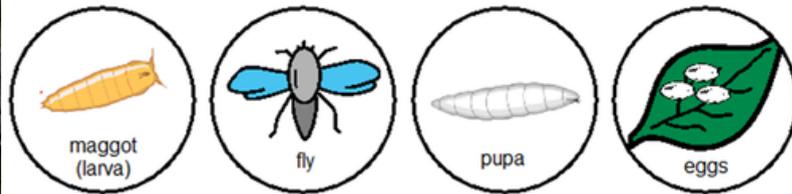
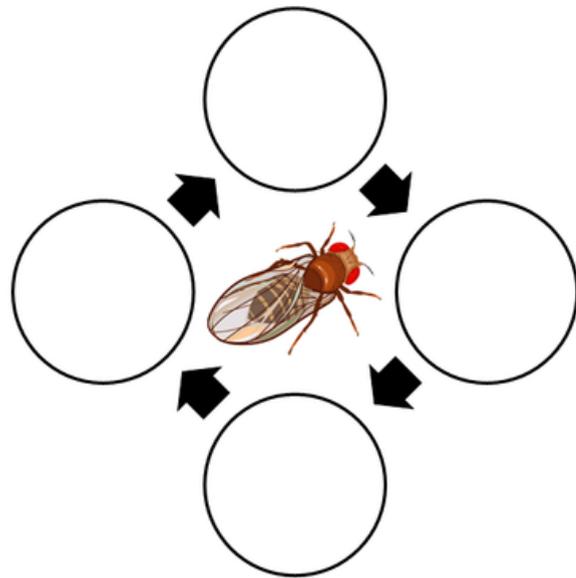
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 fireplace	 crayons	 tent	 sleeping bag
 spoon	 wash by hand	 candle	 scissors

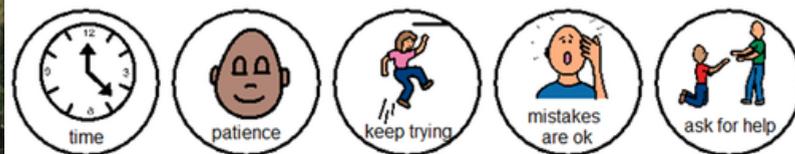
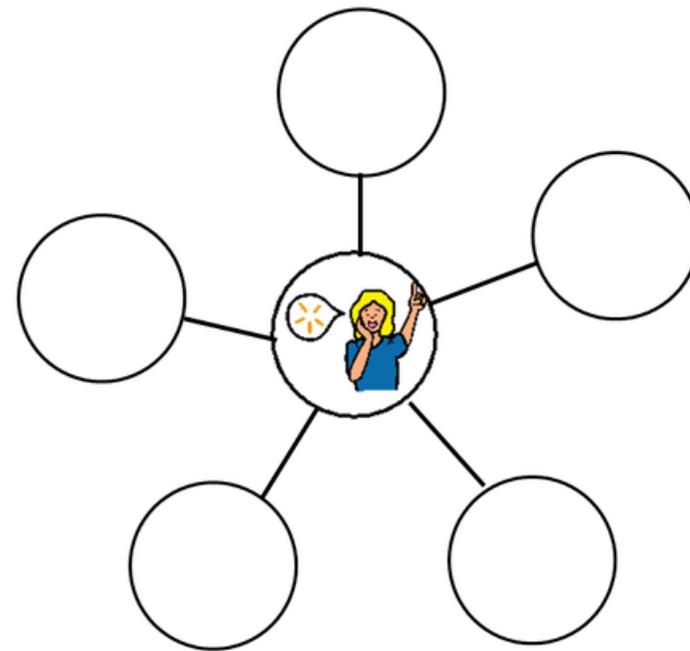
Because there are so many activities, you can choose the ones that fit your students the best.



Put the stages of the life cycle of a fly in order.

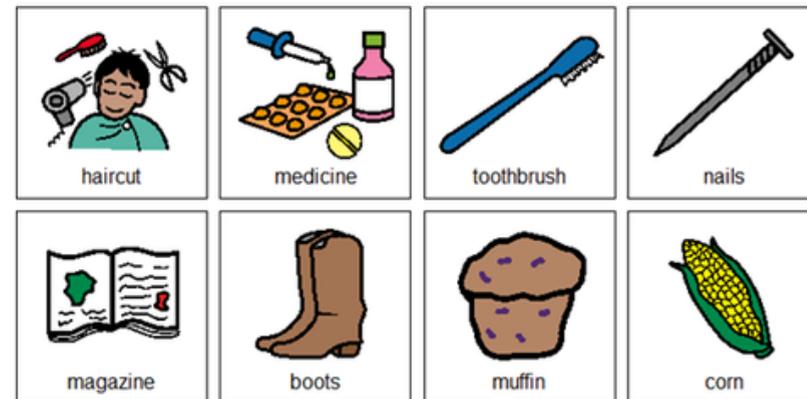


Learning something new is never easy. What are some things to remember when you are learning something new?



Sometimes instead of money, people will trade things they have or a skill they can do. Look at each person below, what is something you think they would have or could do which they could trade.

baker	<input type="text"/>	carpenter	<input type="text"/>
farmer	<input type="text"/>	veterinarian	<input type="text"/>
cowboy	<input type="text"/>	librarian	<input type="text"/>
barber	<input type="text"/>	dentist	<input type="text"/>

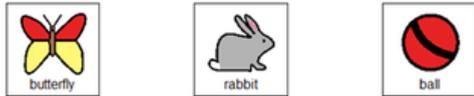


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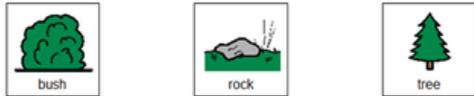
1. When the tree fell, who was Ellie trying to save?



2. What was Samuel chasing when the tree fell?



3. What trapped Ellie's dad?



4. Who does everyone blame for the accident?

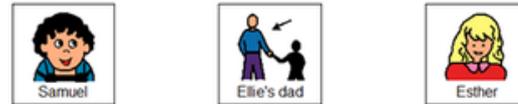


5. What is Ellie making in the jar?



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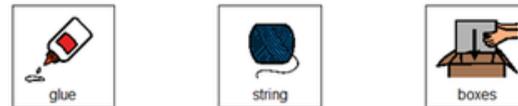
1. Who did Larkin really carve the lamb for?



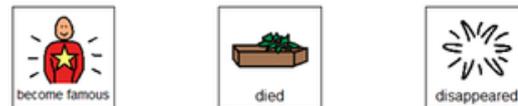
2. What did Larkin's dad make?



3. What did Larkin's dad make from the deer skin?



4. What happened to Larkin's dad?



5. What is Larkin's mom afraid he will do?



Finally, this unit does come with comprehension questions. There are 5 questions for every 2 chapters. Each question has 3 picture choices.

Answer key included!!



I realize there will be some students out there unable to do cutting activities. I have a blog post with ways to complete activities without a pair of scissors!!

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