

Christmas



THE NUTCRACKER

Special Needs for Special Kids



ALSO INCLUDES GOOGLE SLIDES



These literacy units are something I created and started using in my classroom. I had students with significant challenges and most were **non-readers**. This is a great way to expose all students to some great books.

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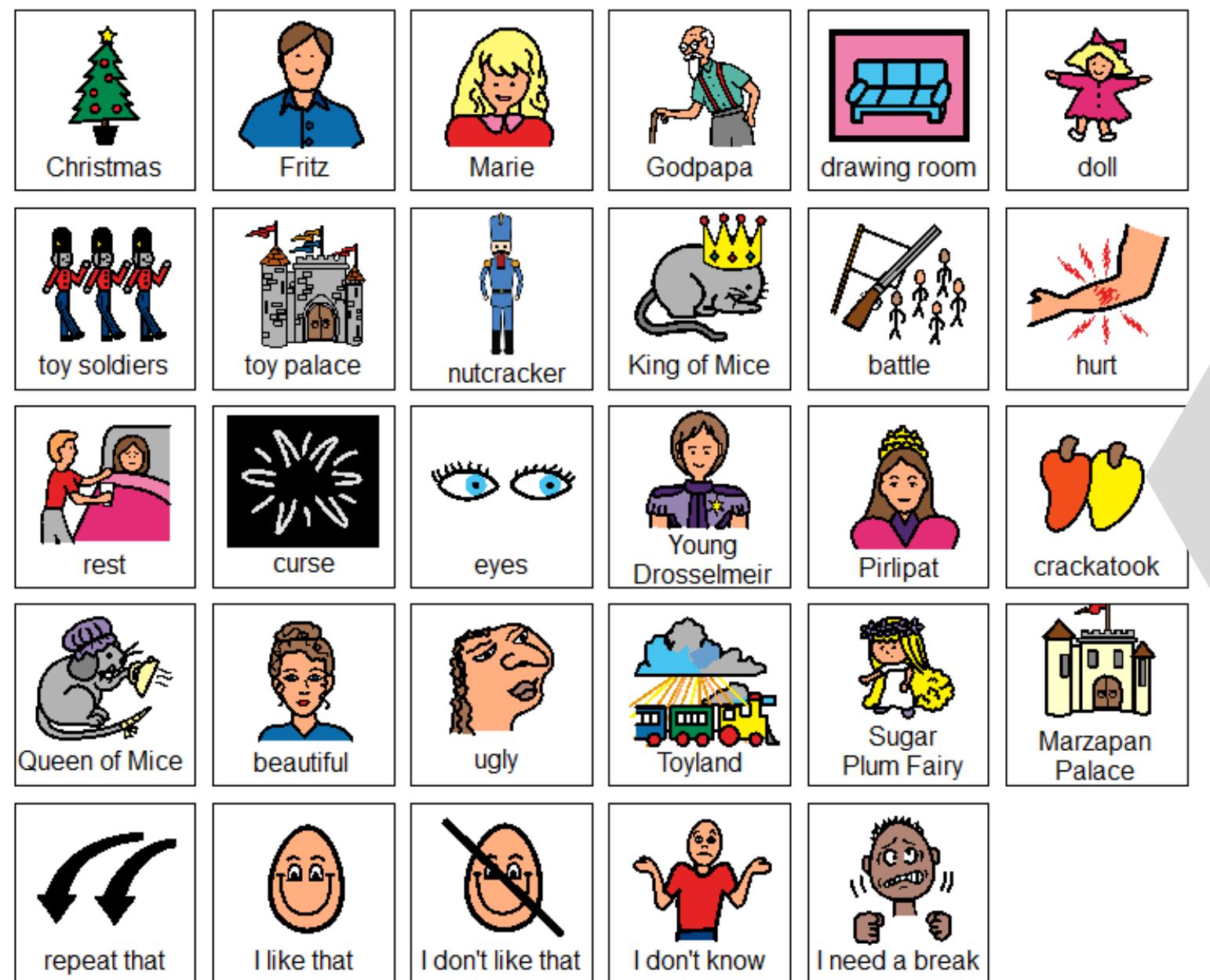
In a separate file, there are directions and links to digital versions of these activities.

This unit has 36 pages plus 14 google slides. There are 6 activities to go with this book to last a full week of instruction.

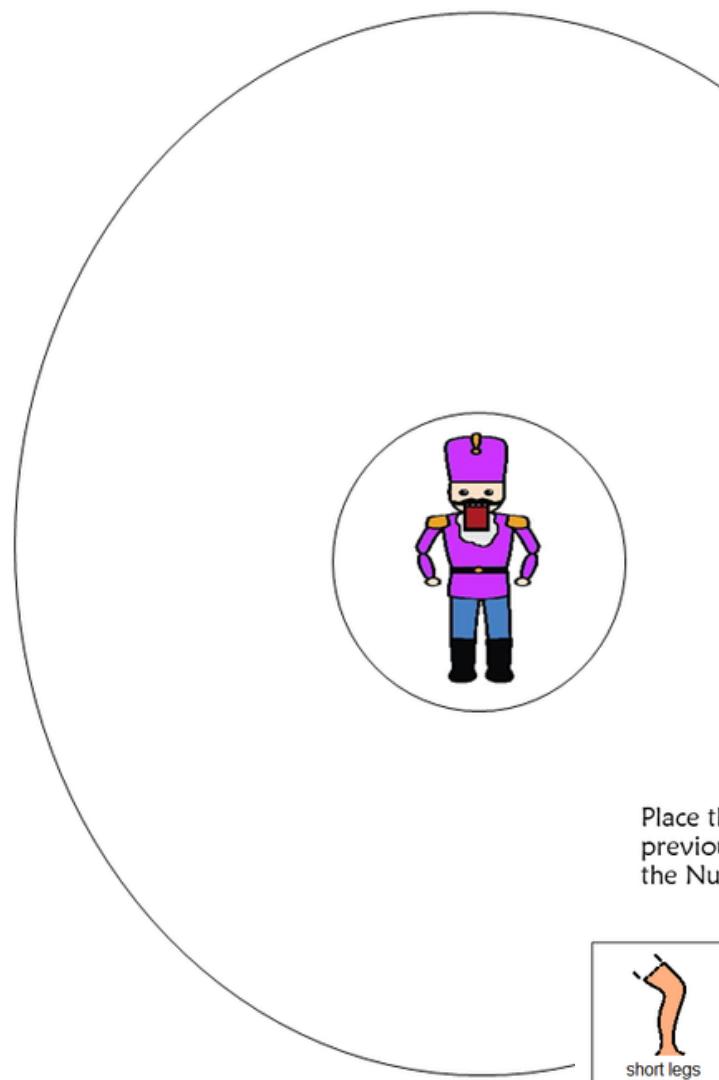
This unit comes with a storyboard.

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

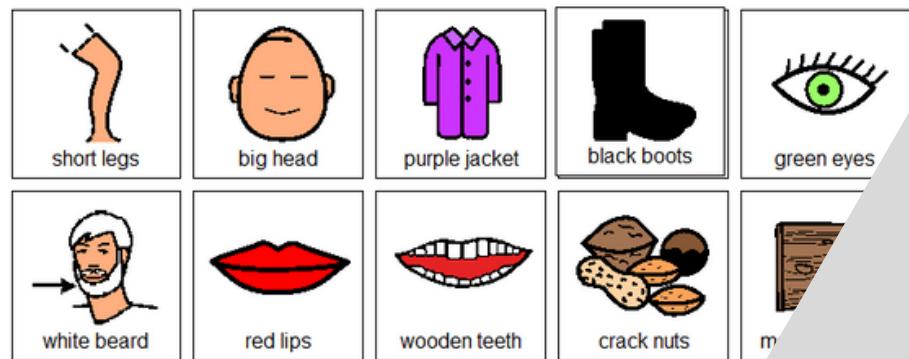
Tips on how to use in the unit!!



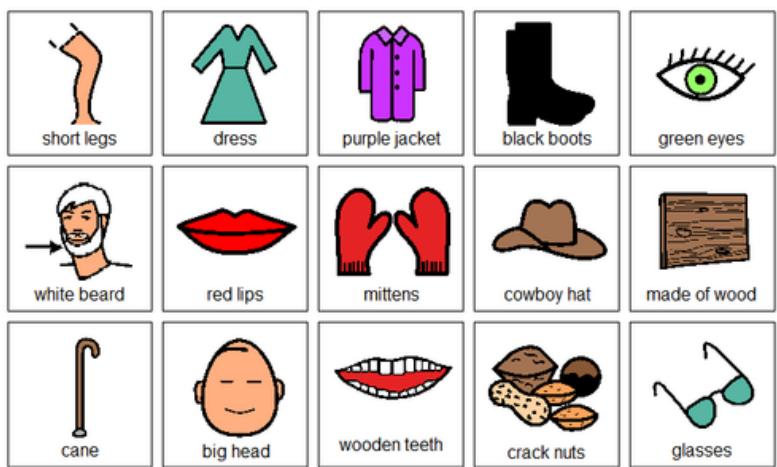
What are some things we know about the Nutcracker?



Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page to show what things you learn about the Nutcracker.

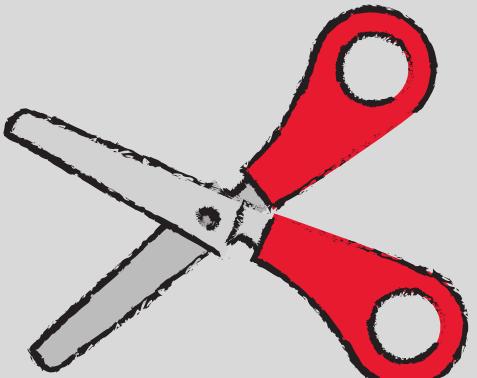


Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page **ONLY IF** it shows something learned about the Nutcracker

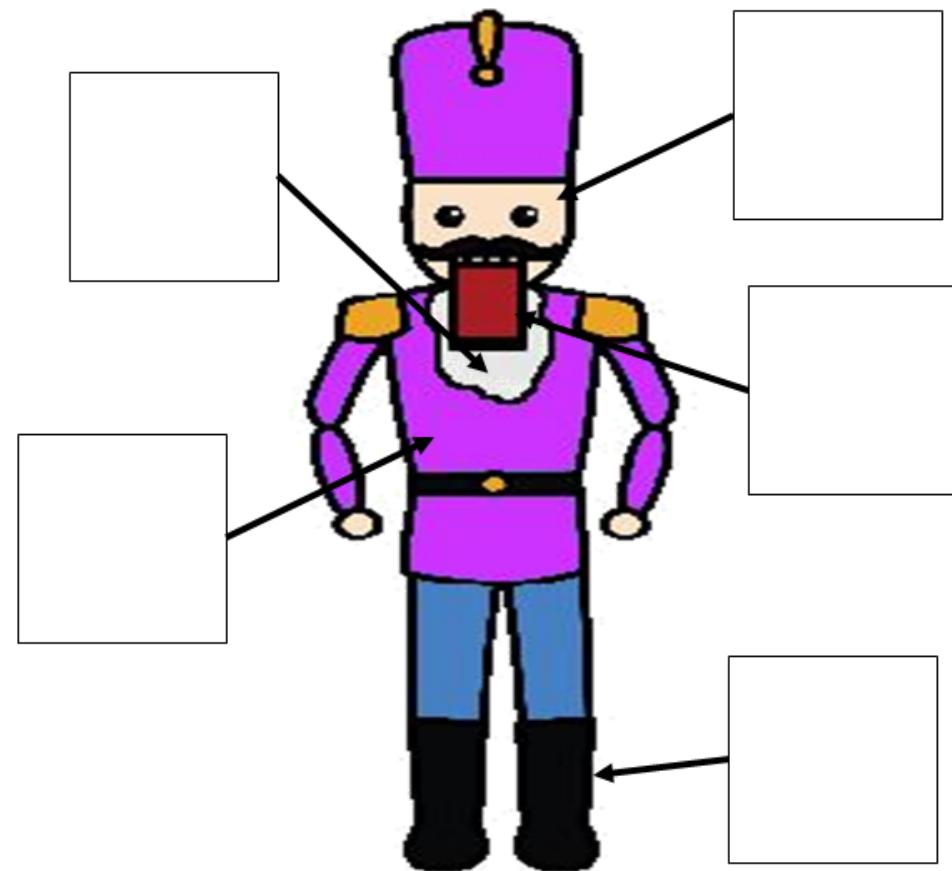


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There is a circle map looking at a nutcracker. There is an option that only has correct answers and one that has wrong answers mixed in.

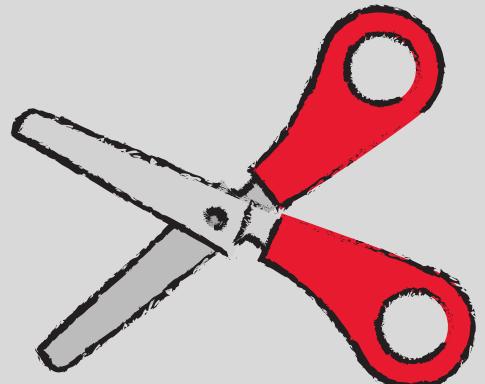


Label the Nutcracker.

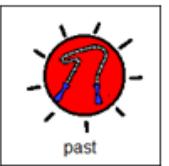


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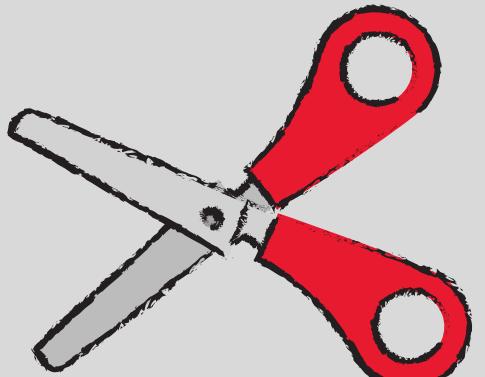
Students will label parts of a nutcracker. Suggestions for differentiation are included.



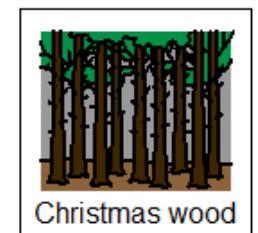
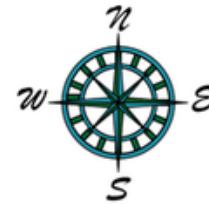
Things kids would play with are very different today than they were a long time ago. Sort the toys into the correct column. Some may go in both!



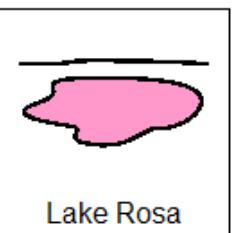
Students will sort toys from the past and toys played with today.



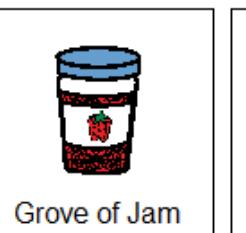
Label the map



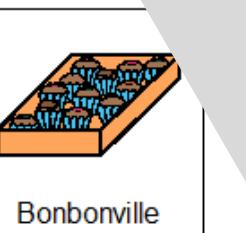
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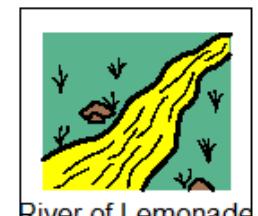
Lake Rosa



Grove of Jam



Bonbonville



River of Lemonade



Marzipan Palace

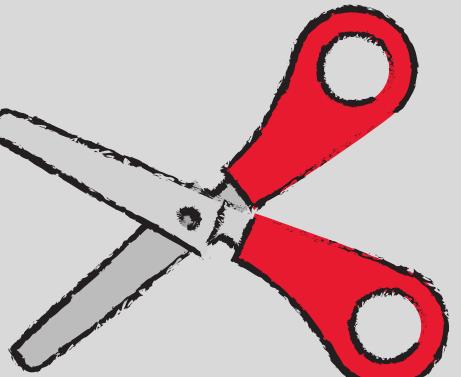


Honey River

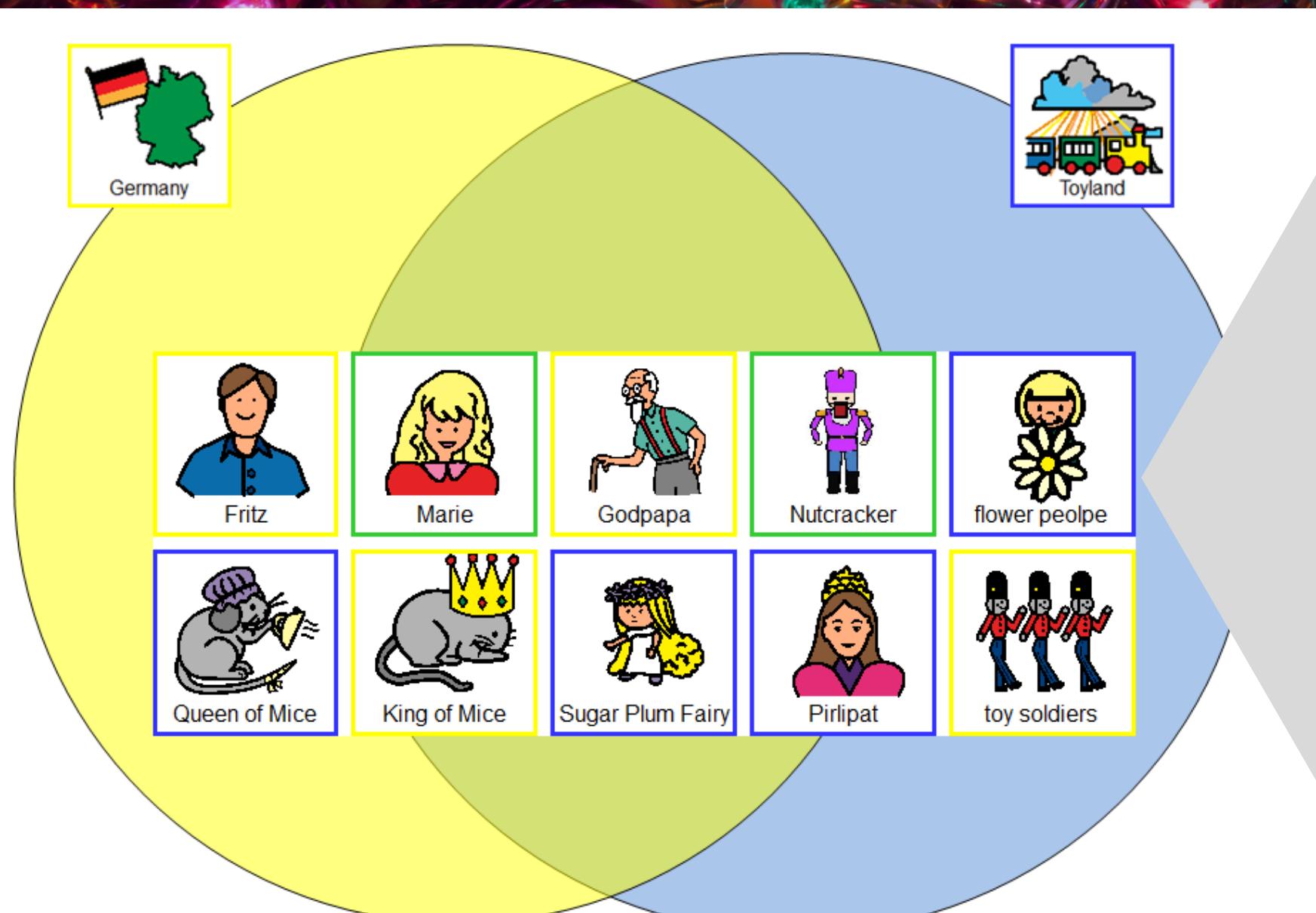
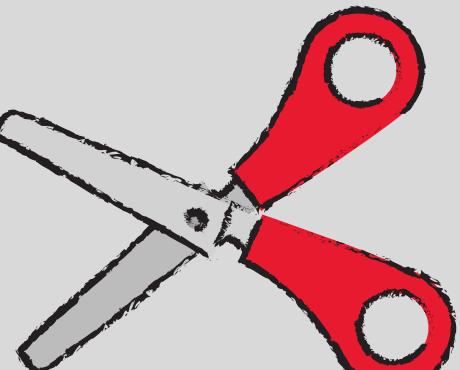


Gingerthorpe

Label a map of
Toyland.



Students will complete a Venn diagram of the characters in the book depending on if they lived in Germany or in Toyland. There is a color-coded option included.



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I met a Nutcracker

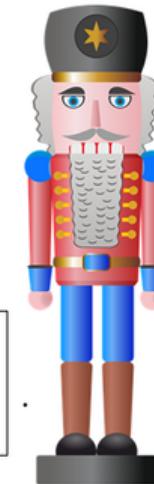
I met a Nutcrackers when I was at



He was wearing a and .



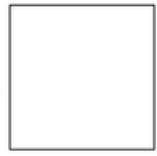
He took me to visit the .



There, I met a .

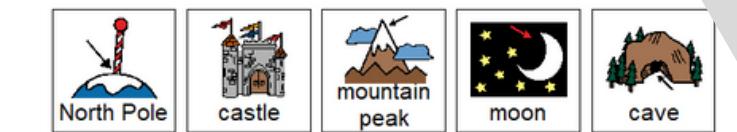


To remember him by, he gave me a .



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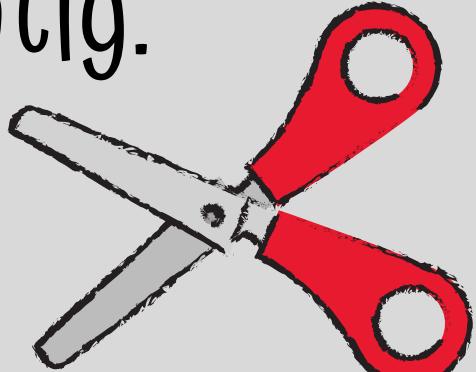
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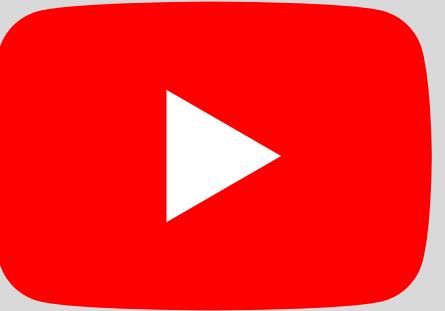
Students will write a story about meeting a nutcracker. This is an errorless task and a great way for students to write a story independently.



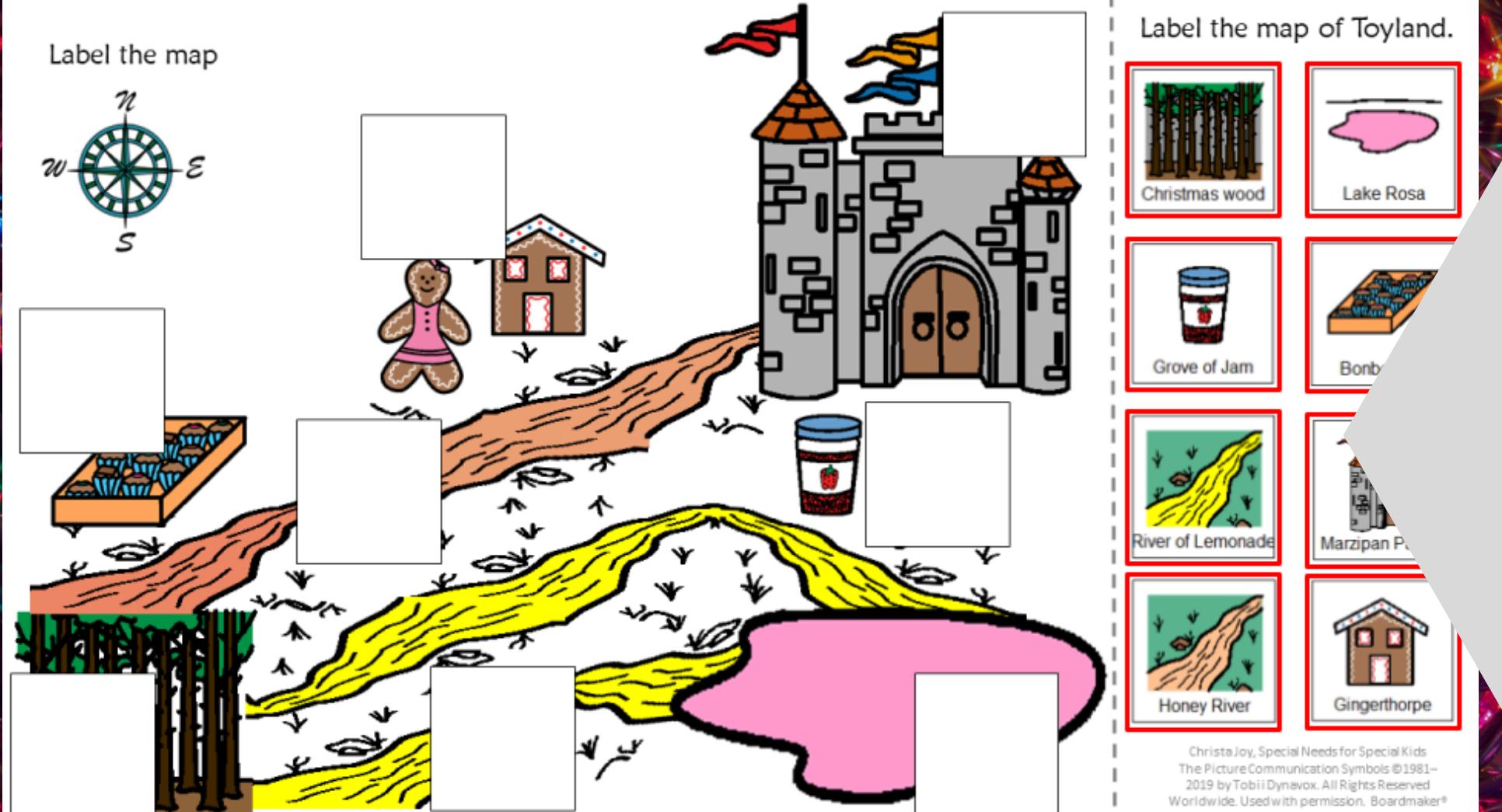
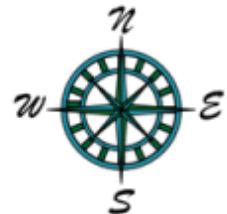
Listen to the
Nutcracker
read aloud



There is a video of the
book read aloud. This is
a video from YouTube.



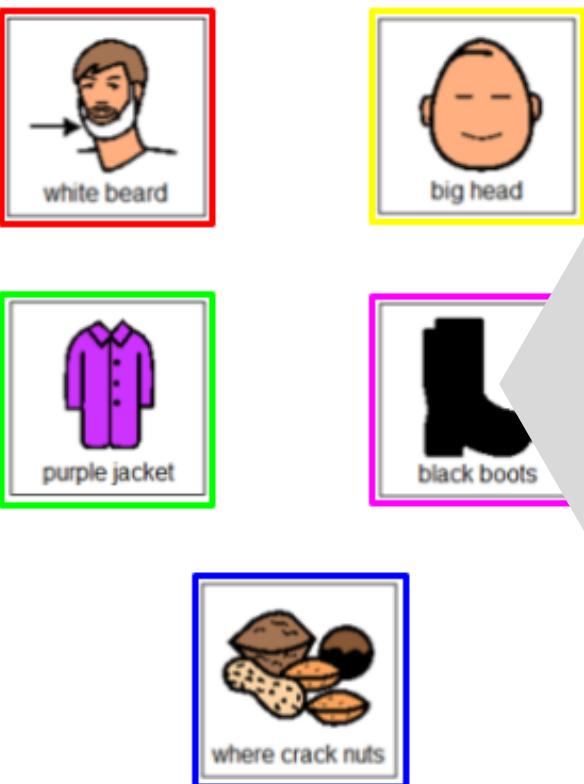
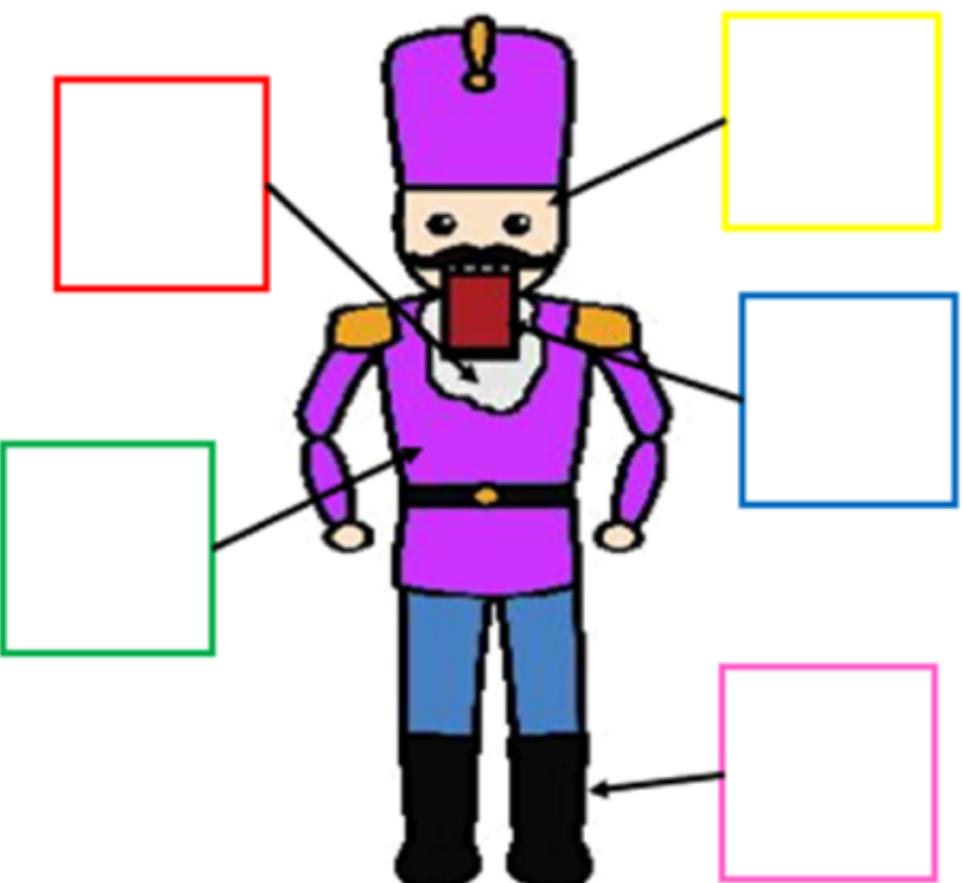
Label the map



There are digital versions of the activities included.
Students click and drag the answers.

There are 2 sets, one that includes differentiation using color shown here. Mix and match from both sets to create the perfect set of slides for each student.

Label the parts of the Nutcracker.



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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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