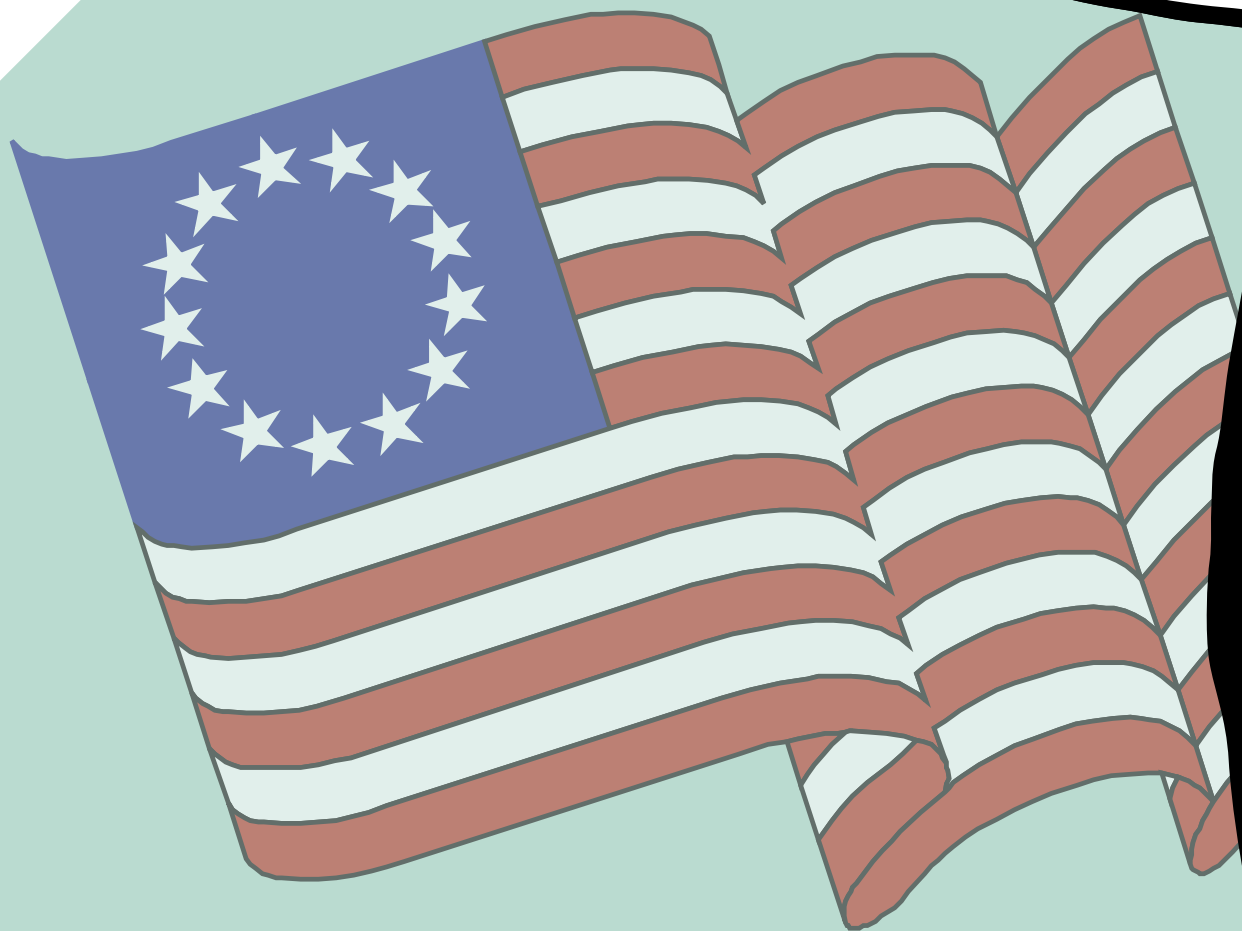


Special Ed

CHAINS



36 activities

**5 questions/
1-2 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**. They were the best thing I ever did, and my students LOVED them.

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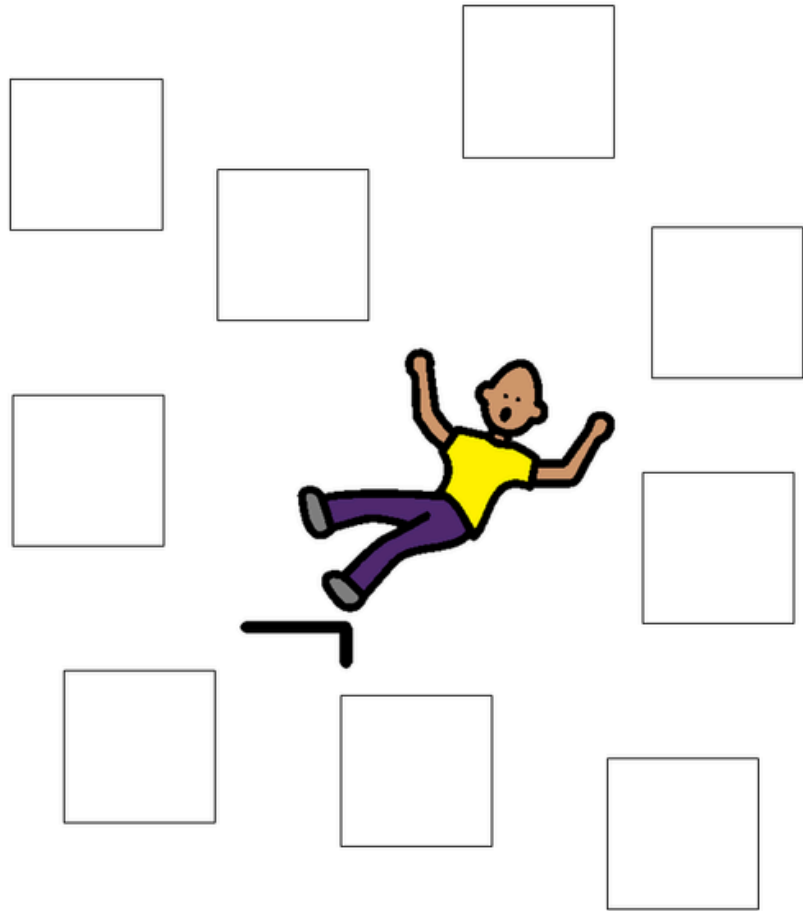
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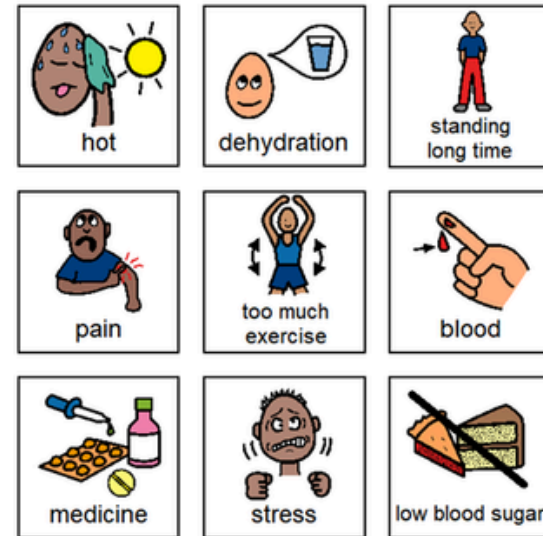
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This novel unit has **36 different activities**. These activities are **NOT** comprehension-based. So, even if your students do not pay attention, they can still complete the activity.

What are some things that make a person faint?



Place the following in the empty squares showing reasons a person might faint.



For example, students will learn about things that might make a person faint.

Suggestions for Use

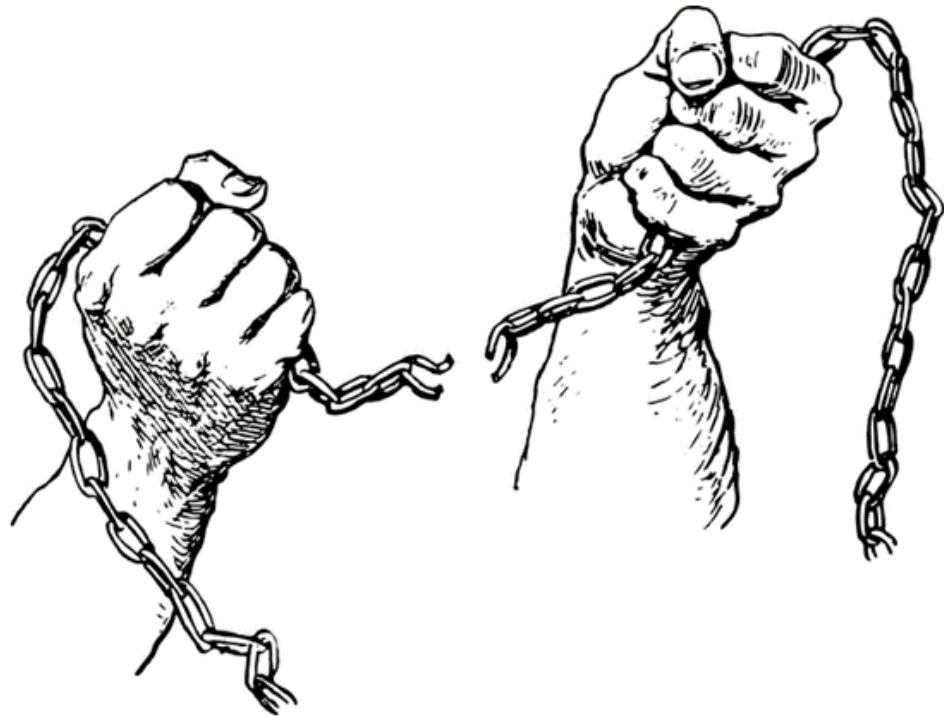
- I made this unit to go along with the book, *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson.
- The thought is that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1 chapter per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 6) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- 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. For students who need more structure, place the number of post-it notes in front of him/her that corresponds to the number of pages you intend to read. Remove a post-it as you finish each page. The visual will help lessen their anxiety.
- You will find activity for most chapters. You will still have plenty to choose from and find those that fit best with your students.
- Differentiation:
 - For any activity, you can quickly differentiate for your lower level learners by using a color coding technique.
 - If sorting, outline each sorting category a certain color and then outline the corresponding pictures the same color.
 - Becomes a matching task.
- There are comprehension questions to accompany this unit. There are 5 questions for every 1-2 chapters with 3 picture answer choices. You will find these (in color and BW) in a separate file.

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

Chains

Novel Unit
for Special Education

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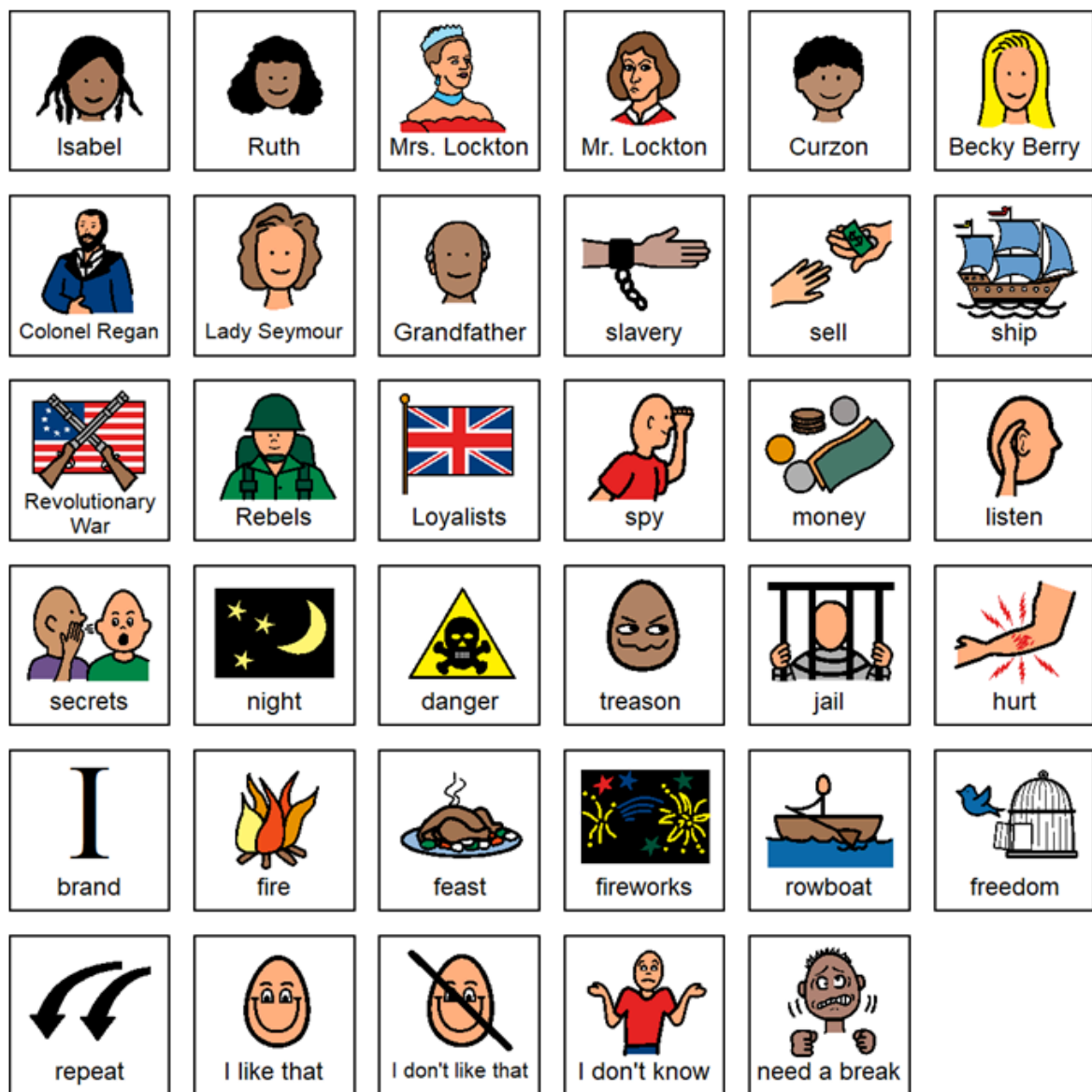


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This entire novel unit comes in 2 separate files. One is completely in color and one is completely in black and white.

Story Board : to use while reading and for class discussions. Laminate and make 1 copy for each student.

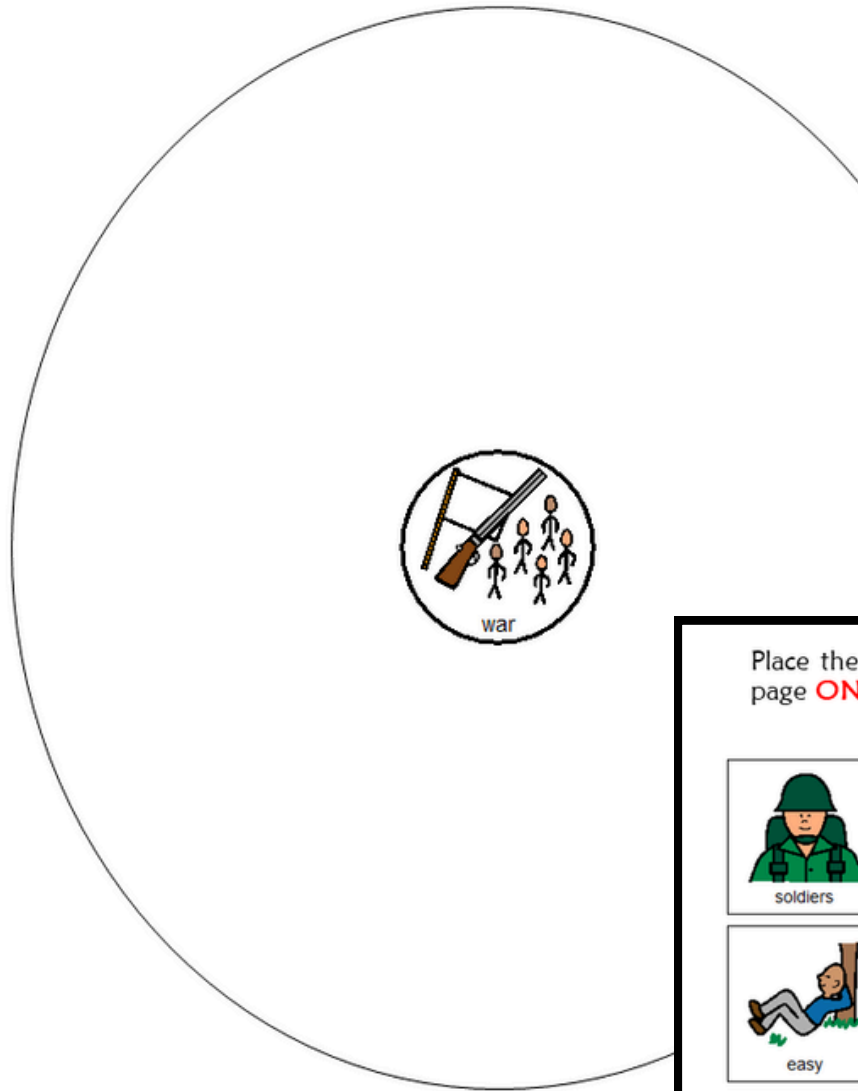


This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

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

Tips on how to use in the unit!!

Use the circle map below to illustrate what war is like.



Errorless version

Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page.

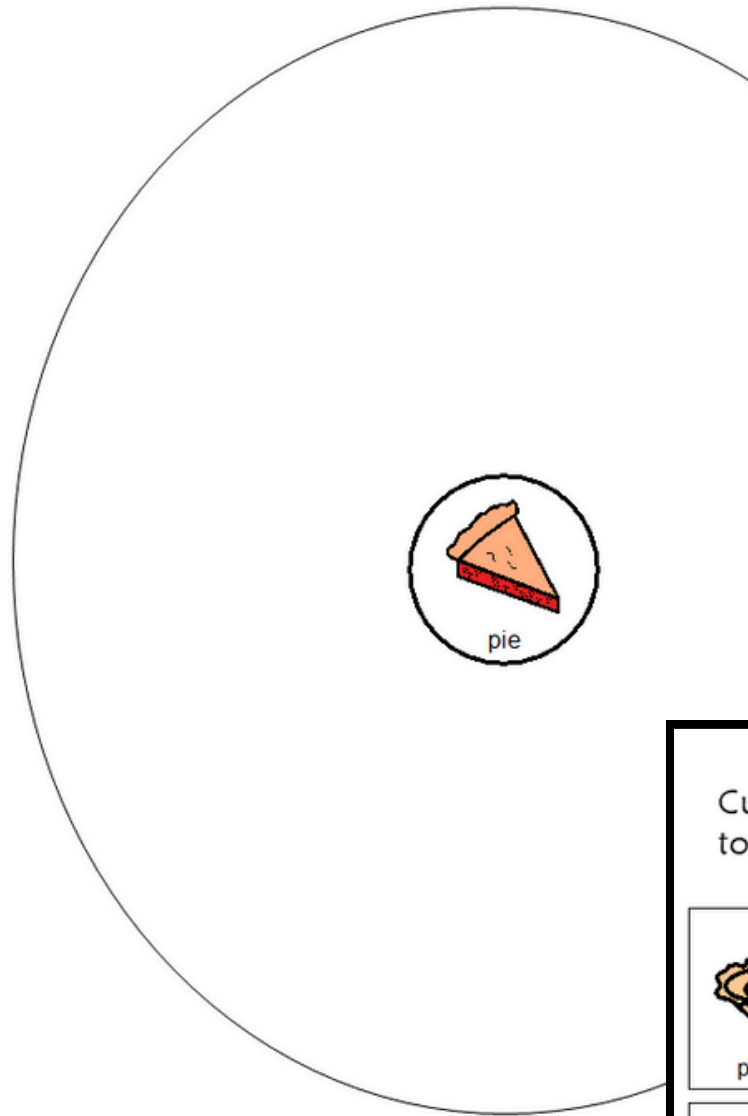


Place the following pictures in the circle map on the previous page **ONLY IF** it relates to war.













There are circle maps in this unit. Circle maps are a great way for students to see the big idea.

What are some things you know about pies?









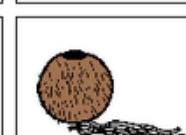








Errorless version

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map about pies.

 pie crust	 fruit	 nuts	 pumpkin	 apple
 cherry	 chocolate	 dessert	 coconut	 lemon

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map **ONLY IF** they relate to pie.

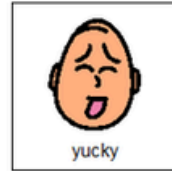
 pie crust	 asparagus	 nuts	 pumpkin	 apple
 cherry	 chocolate	 broccoli	 coconut	 spaghetti
 taco	 fruit	 dessert	 dirt	 lemon

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.

Isabel thinks the men have bad manners. Sort the following behaviors into those you think are good or bad manners.




Sort the following pictures into the correct column on the previous page. If you are not sure, place it on the middle line.


 say please	 yell	 use utensils	 burp
 talk with mouth full	 say excuse me	 sorry	 talk quietly
 chew with mouth closed	 get impatient	 thank you	 excuse me
 napkin on lap	 throw trash on floor	 eat with fingers	 stay in seat


There are sorting activities.


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

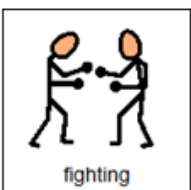
There are lots of alternatives to fighting. Complete the statements below using the pictures on the next page or coming up with your own ideas.

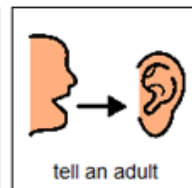
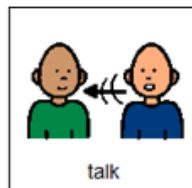
1. Instead of  you can .

2. Instead of  you can .

3. Instead of  you can .

4. Instead of  you can .

5. Instead of  you can .



There are matching activities.

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

Hello, I am a in the Revolutionary War.

We know the British are coming .

We will be as we stay and fight for our rights.

But I am .



It will be a battle .

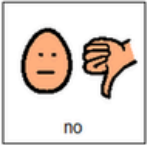
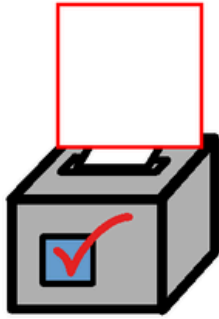
soldier	parent	man	woman	kid	visitor
now	soon	in a week	at night	tomorrow	
ready	waiting	brave	strong	determined	okay
worried	nervous	scared	strong	determined	okay
hard	exhausting	important	historical	fierce	long

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There are writing prompts.

These are errorless activities.

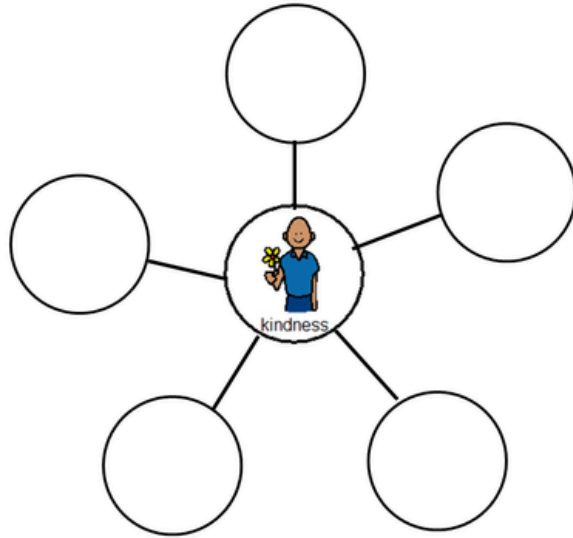
Time to vote!! Do you believe people can talk to ghosts?



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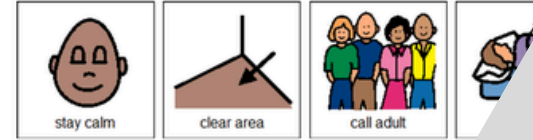
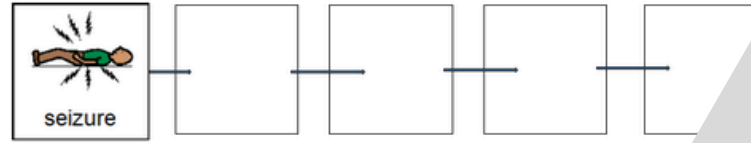
What are some acts of kindness you can show others?



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Sequence what do to



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Now that all the servants have gone, the work is all left to Isabel. It was hard work. Some jobs are easy, and some are hard. Look at each set below and circle the one that you think would be harder to do.



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

Isabel is in New York. Ruby is in South Carolina. Color in New York red and color in South Carolina yellow.



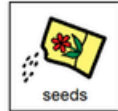
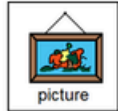
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1. What did Isabel take to remind her of home?



2. What does Mr. Robert plan to do with Isabel and Ruth?



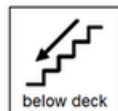
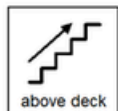
3. What will Isabel and Ruth do for the Locktons?



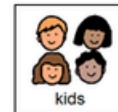
4. How do the girls get to New York?



5. Where, in the boat, do the girls have to stay?



1. Who was on the docks inspecting things coming off the ship?



2. What is Charles worried Bellingham will do to him?



3. What does Mrs. Lockton not allow the soldiers to do?



4. What did Mrs. Lockton do to Isabel?



5. Did the soldiers end up inspecting Mrs. Lockton's chest?



This unit does come with comprehension questions. There are 5 questions for every 1-2 chapters. Each question has 3 picture choices. They are in color and black and white.

Answer key included!!