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Alignment to ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors:

Mindsets:

- M2: Sense of acceptance, respect, support, and inclusion for self and others in the school environment.

Behaviors:

- B-LS 2: Creative approach to learning, tasks, and problem-solving.
- B-LS 9: Decision-making informed by gathering evidence, getting others' perspectives, and recognizing personal bias.
- B-SMS 1: Responsibility for self and actions.
- B-SMS 7: Effective coping skills.
- B-SS 6: Effective collaboration and cooperation skills.
- B-SS 8: Advocacy skills for self and others and ability to assert self, when necessary.

DIRECTIONS:

Recommended Sequence:

- Review the PowerPoint or digital for Google Slides presentation.
- Review the small problems and big problems posters, and display them in your space.
- Complete the small problems vs. big problems sorting game.
- Complete any of the included worksheets or coloring pages.

Materials Needed:

- PowerPoint or digital for Google Slides presentation
- Printed materials
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers
- Pencil

Presentation:

The PowerPoint presentation teaches students about the difference between small problems and big problems. It offers 4 examples of each type of problem. It also has opportunities for students to share when they have faced a small problem and a big problem.

Sorting Game:

Full color and black/white materials are included for you so please print the pages that best match your printing needs! First, please print the sorting mat. Then, please print the 30 scenario cards and cut them out. If playing with a whole class of students, students can take turns coming up to the front of the room, choosing a scenario card, and reading it to the class. If they cannot read, I read it aloud for them. I display their card on the document camera so everyone can see it. Then, the child places the card on the "SMALL PROBLEMS" side of the mat if the scenario shows a small problem OR on the "BIG PROBLEMS" side of the mat if the scenario shows a big problem. I process each problem with my students and talk through why it is a small problem or a big problem.

Posters, Worksheets, & Coloring Pages:

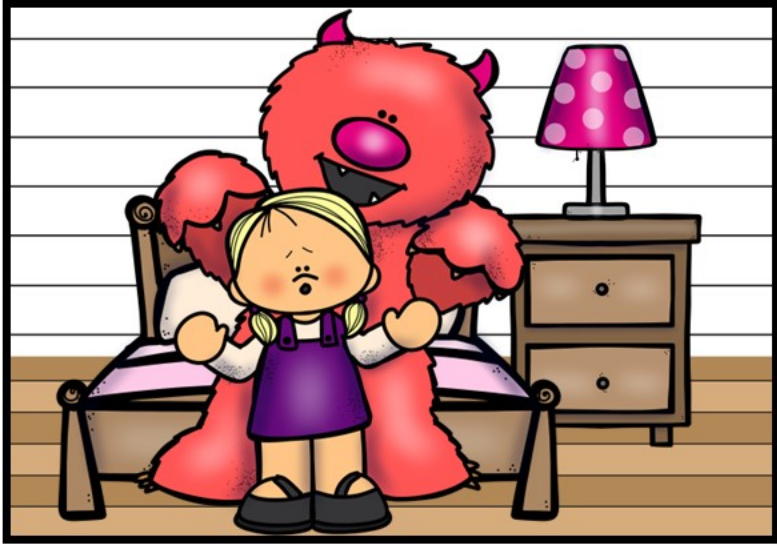
4 posters are included that are great for instruction and for displaying in your space. 4 worksheets and 2 coloring pages are also included in this document. Feel free to choose which page(s) best fit the needs and abilities of your students. I typically have students work on these papers at the very end of the lesson.

Questions, comments, or suggestions? Feel free to reach out any time at laura@muscicitycounselor.com. I'm here to help!

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Posters

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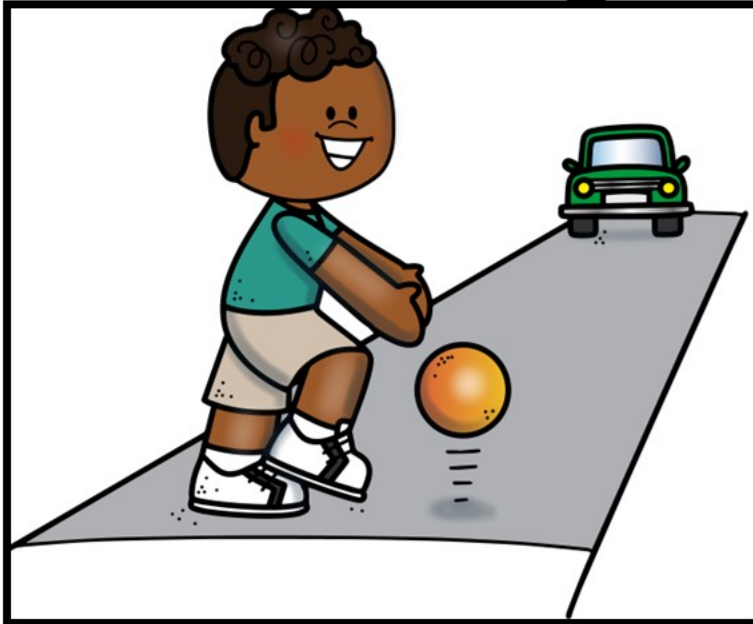


Can be dangerous.



Need a grown-up's help and support.

Examples of BIG PROBLEMS



Mar'Quevious chased the ball into the road.



Juan played too rough at recess.



A stranger asked Kendra to go with him.



Maya fell in the pool and cannot swim.

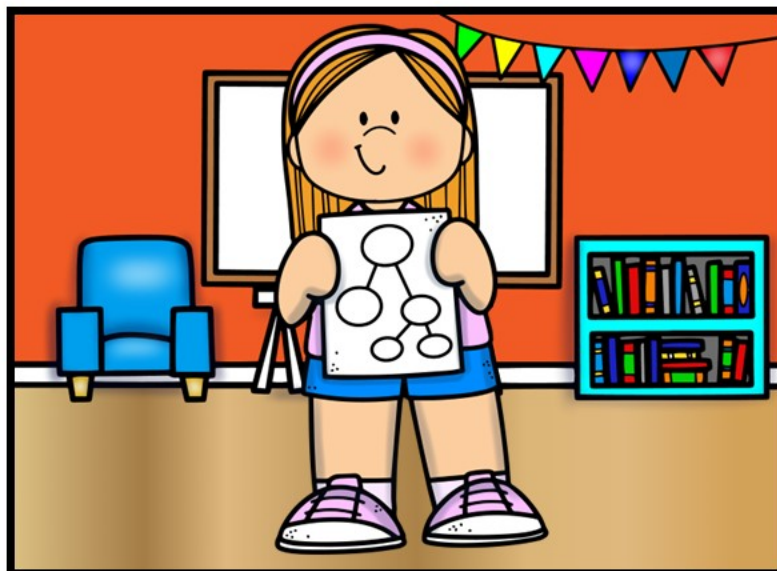
SMALL PROBLEMS



Can bug and
frustrate us.



Happen often,
but are no big
deal.



We can solve
ourselves!

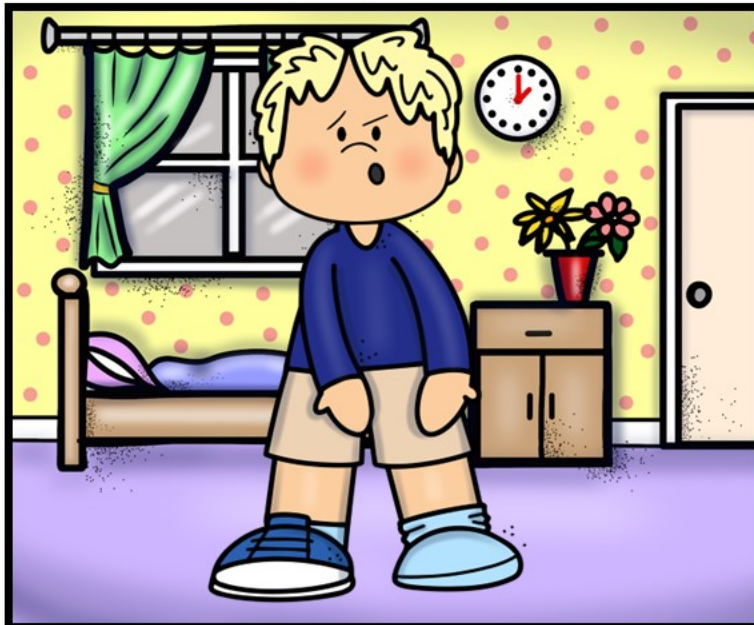
Examples of SMALL PROBLEMS



Ricki dropped his ice cream.



Samantha's balloon popped.



Thomas lost his shoe.



Maria forgot her umbrella.

Sorting Mat

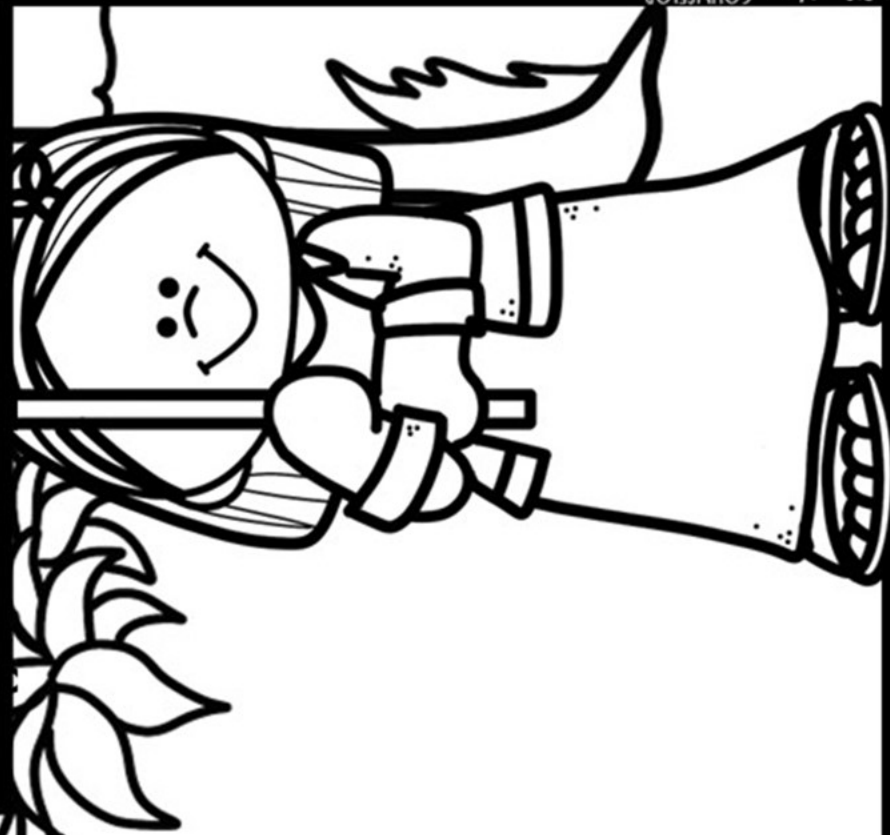
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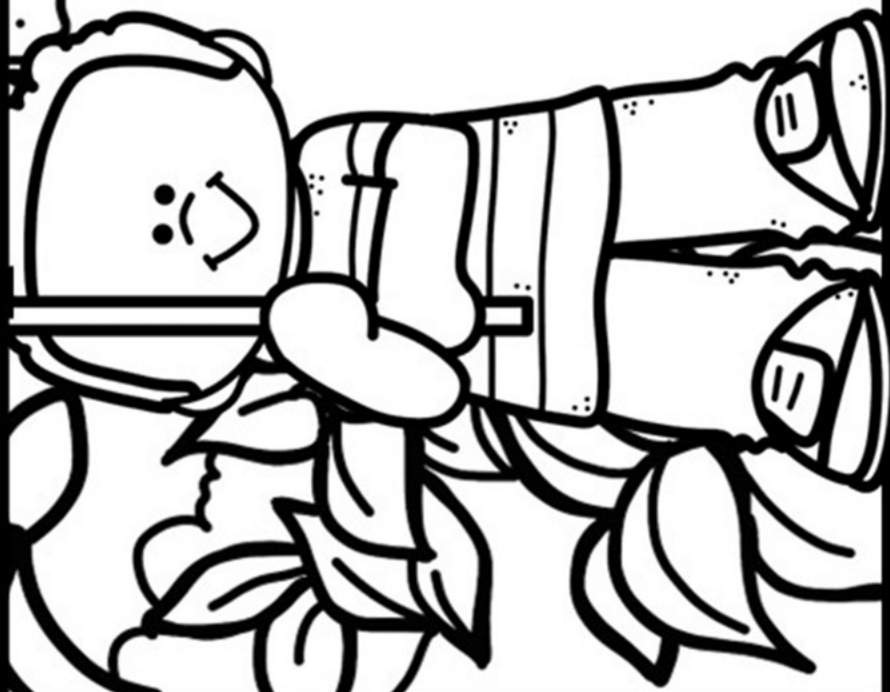
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Scenario Cards

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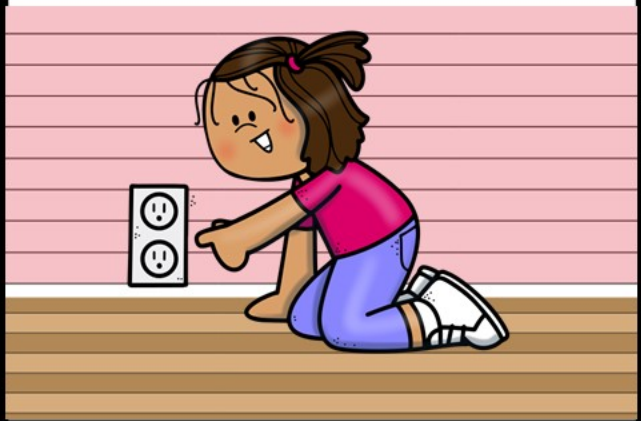
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Cara stuck her finger inside of the socket.



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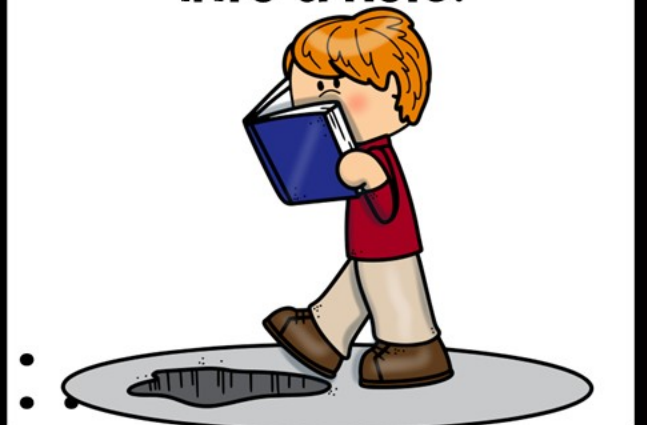
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Carson is about to fall into a hole.



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Chloe threw a ball and broke a vase.



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Laura burned her mom's birthday cake.



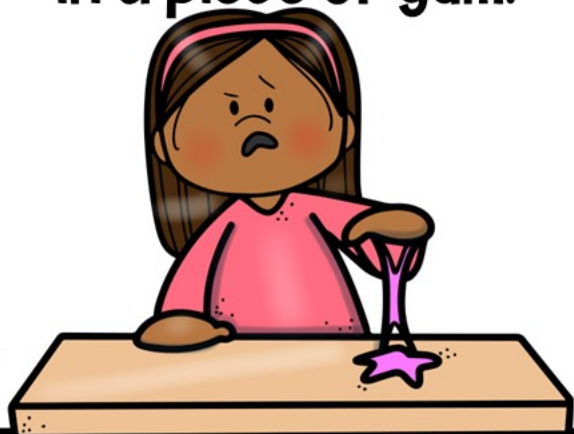
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Layla stuck her hand in a piece of gum.



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Corbin spilled water on your art project.



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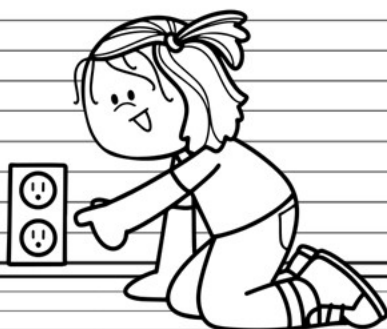
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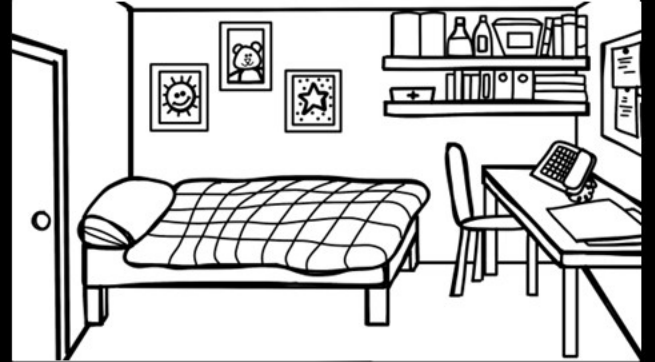
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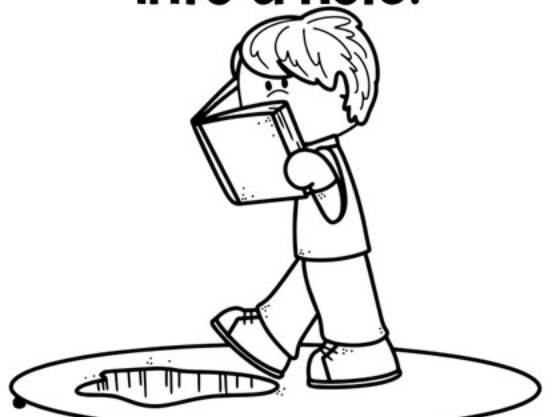
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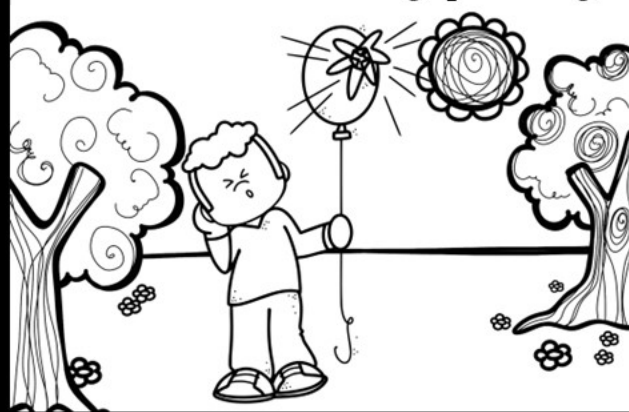
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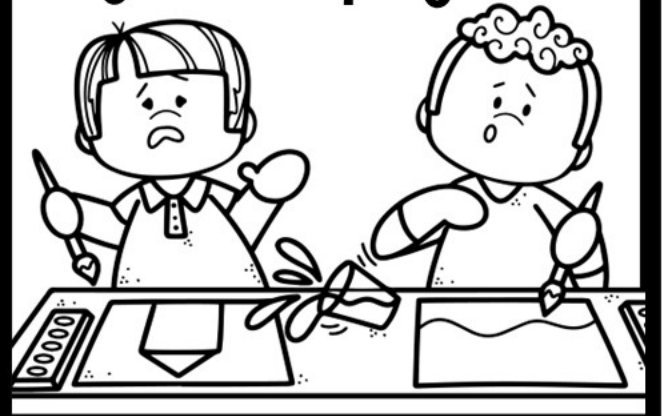
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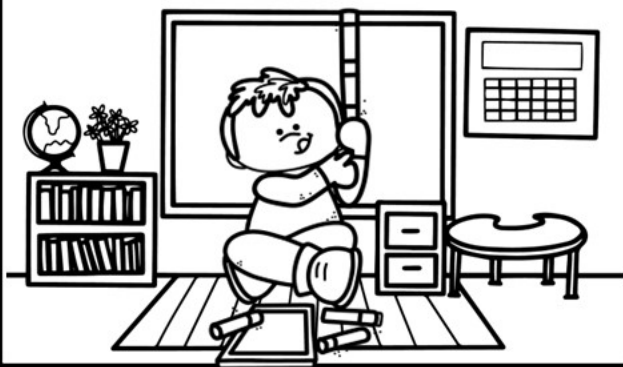
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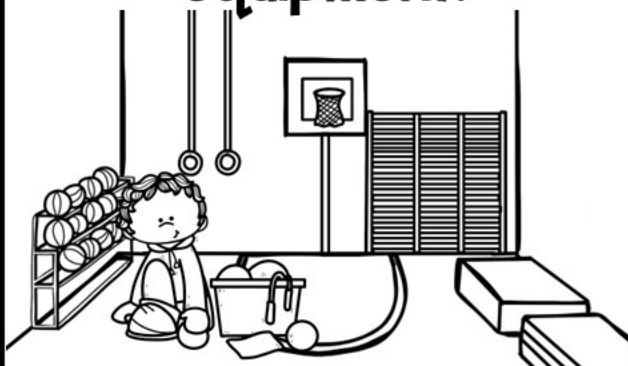
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Worksheets & Coloring Pages

Name: _____

Small or Big Problem?

Look at the picture and write on the line whether it is a small problem or a big problem.



Christian played with matches.



The Ketchup sprayed in Kendra's face.



Zeke's hand got stuck in gum.



Laura tried to grab the iron.

Name: _____

Small & Big Problems

Draw and write 2 examples of small problems and 2 examples of big problems in the boxes below.

Small Problem

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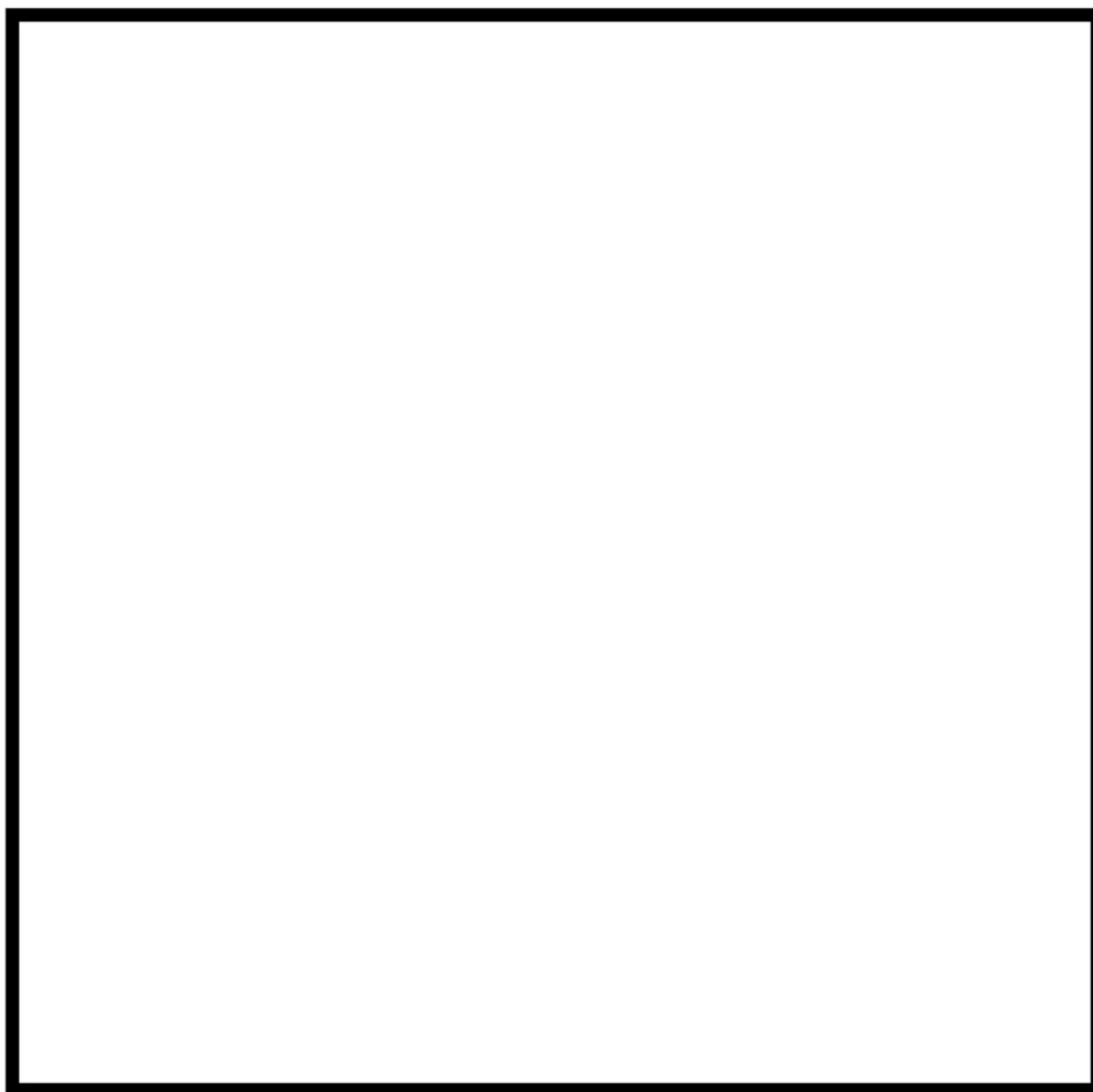
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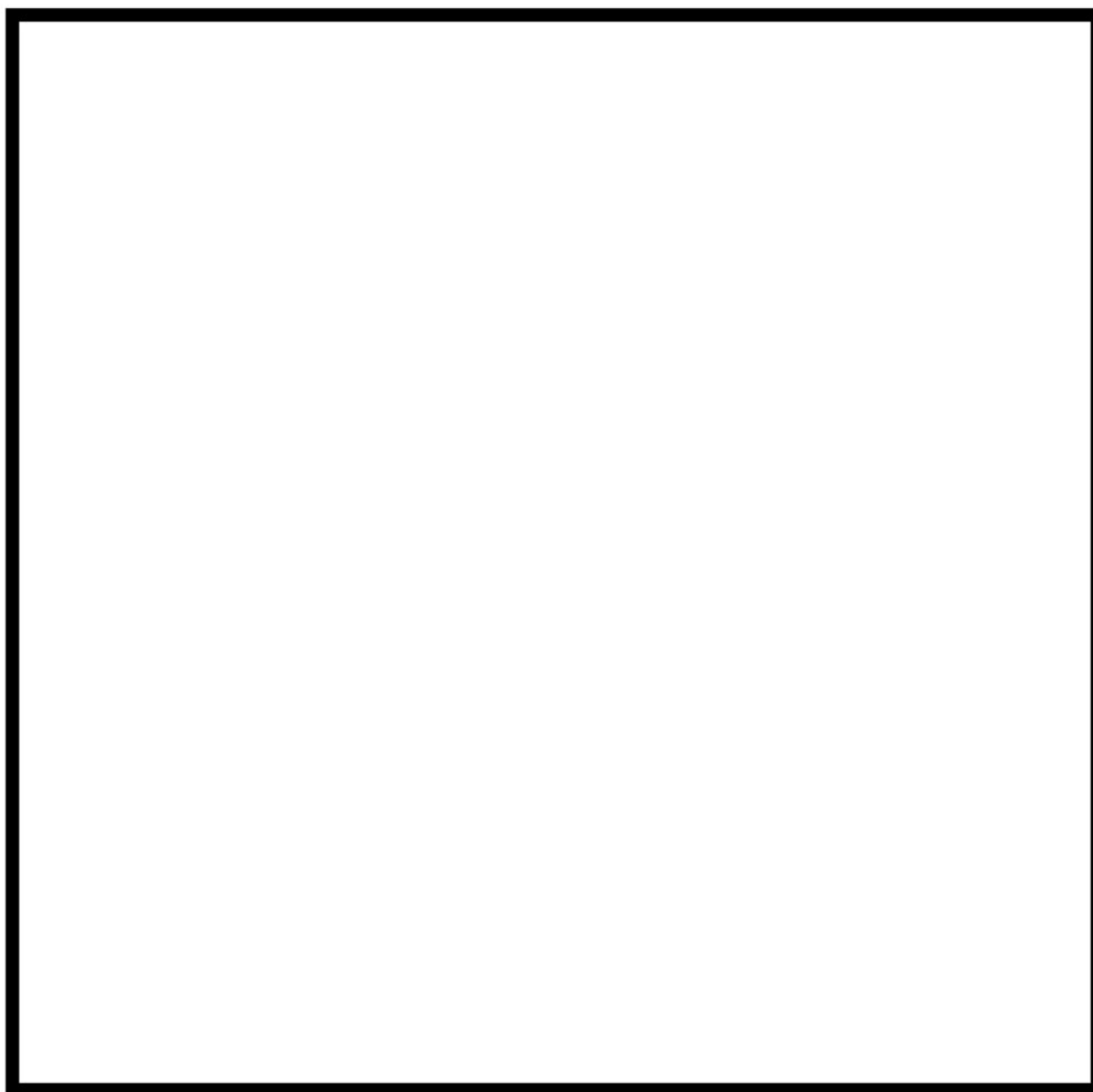
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Name: _____

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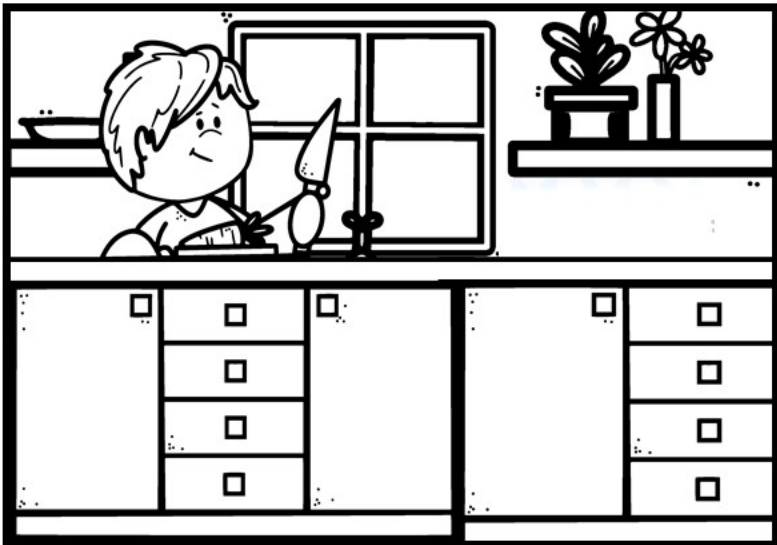
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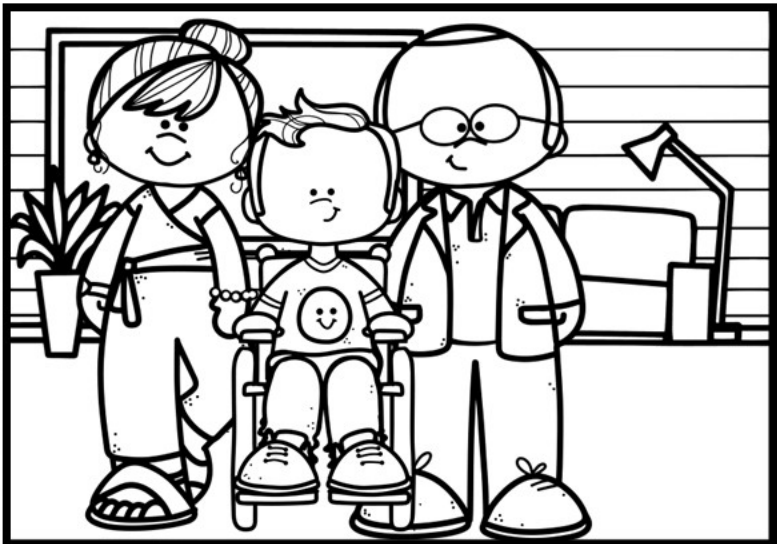
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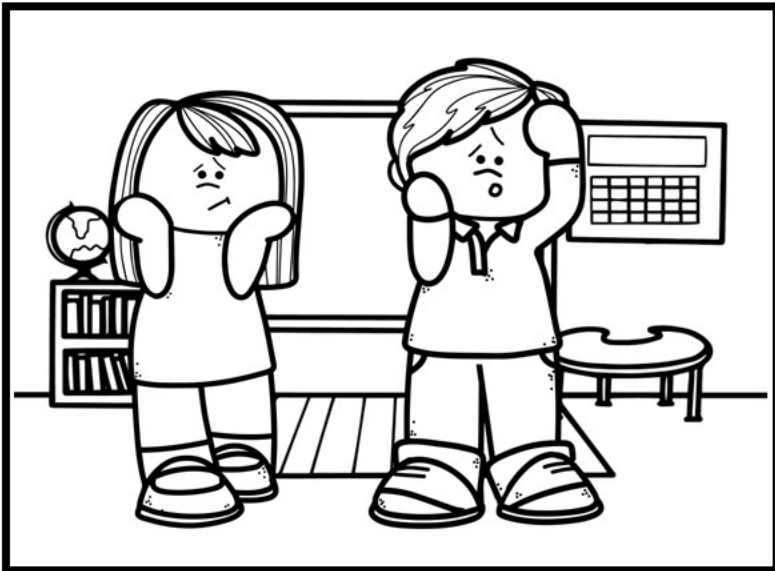


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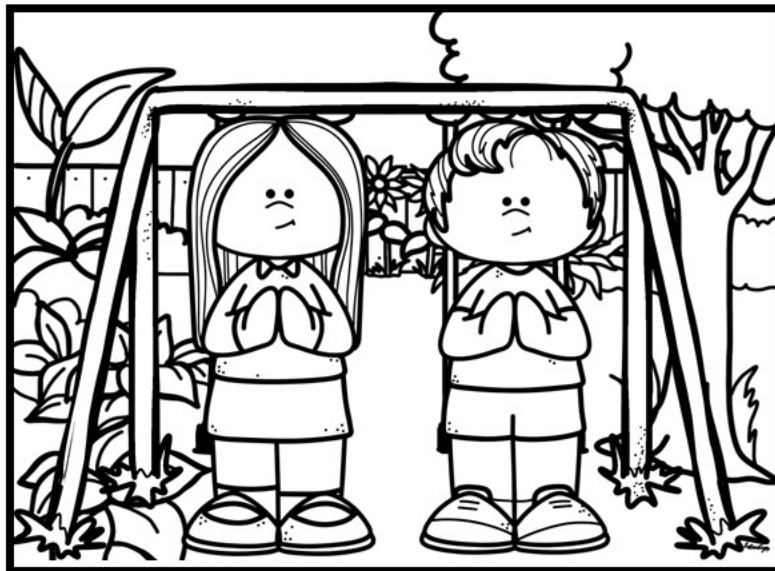


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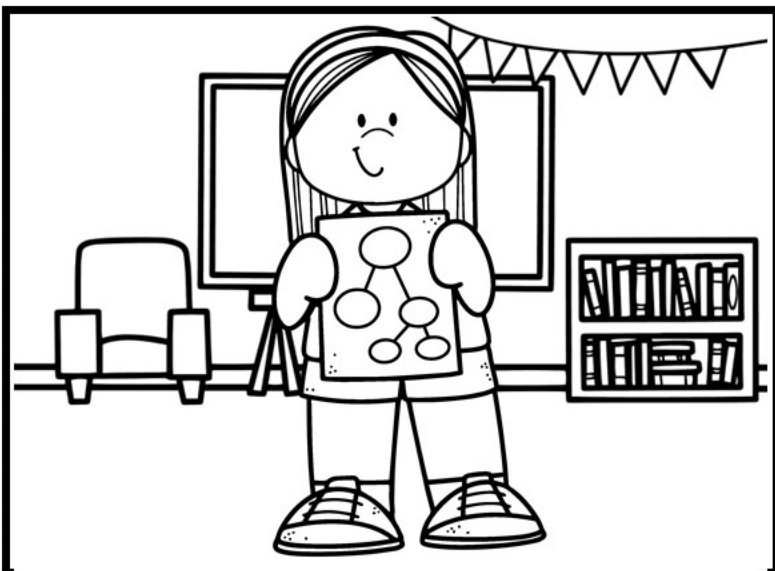
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