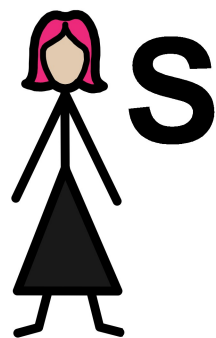


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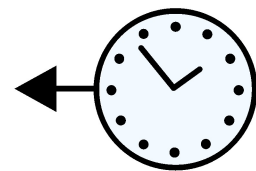
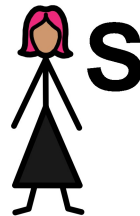
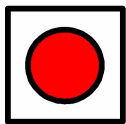


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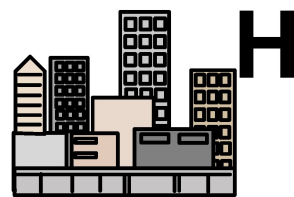
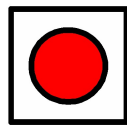
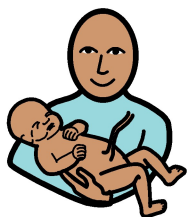




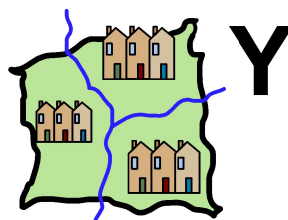
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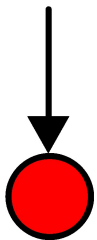


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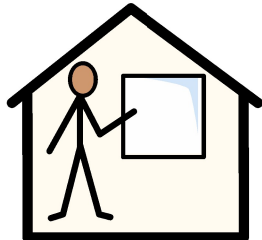




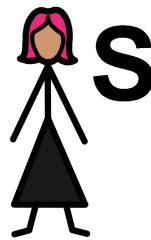
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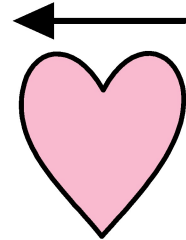
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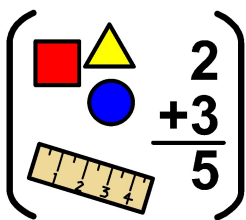
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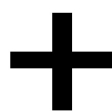
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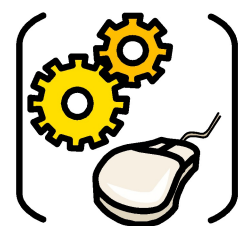
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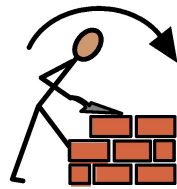
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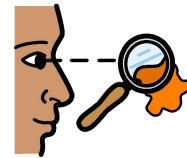
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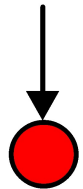
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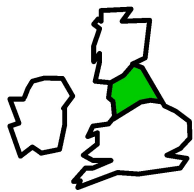
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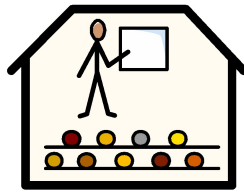
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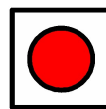
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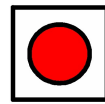
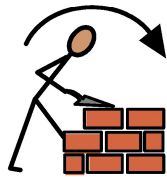


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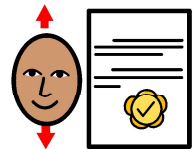
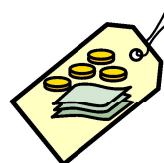




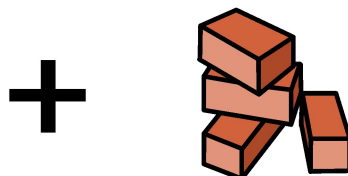
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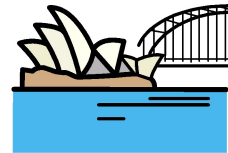
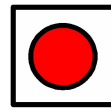


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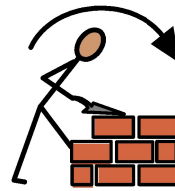
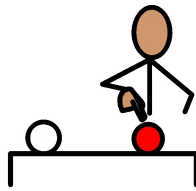




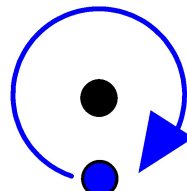
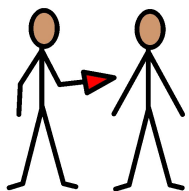
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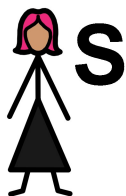


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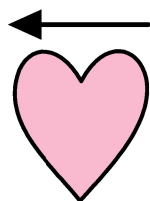




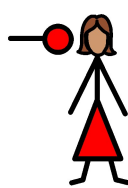
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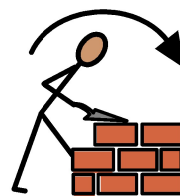
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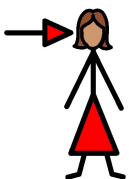


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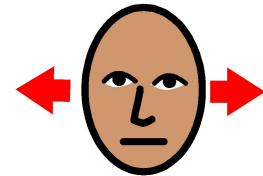
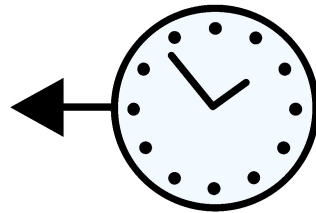
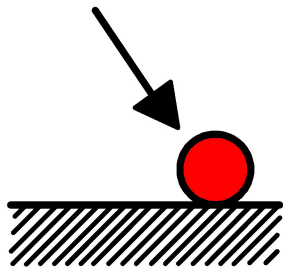
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Sharon Singer, Carillion

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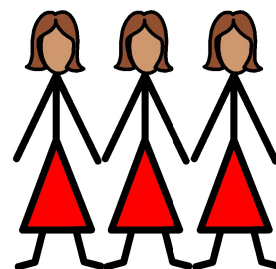
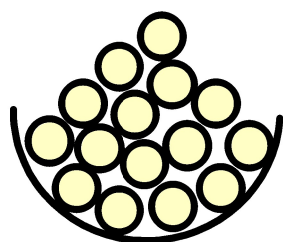
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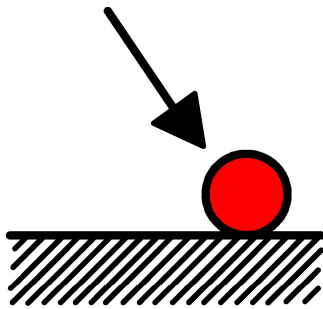


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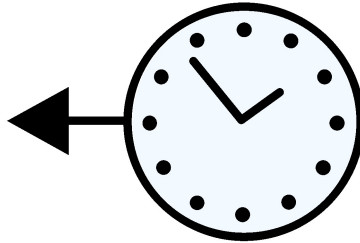
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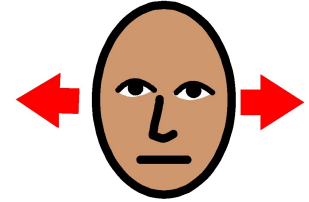
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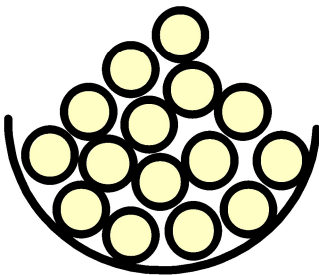
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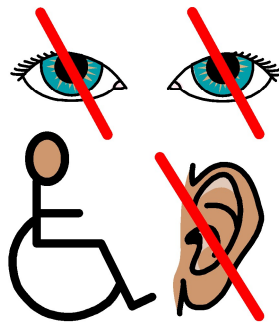
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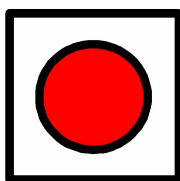
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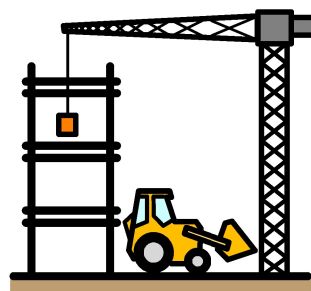
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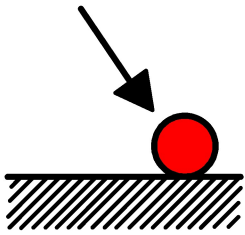
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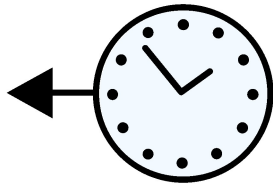
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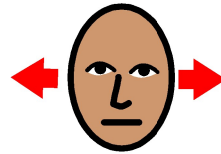
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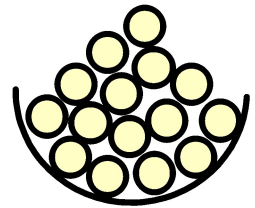
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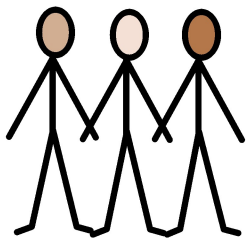


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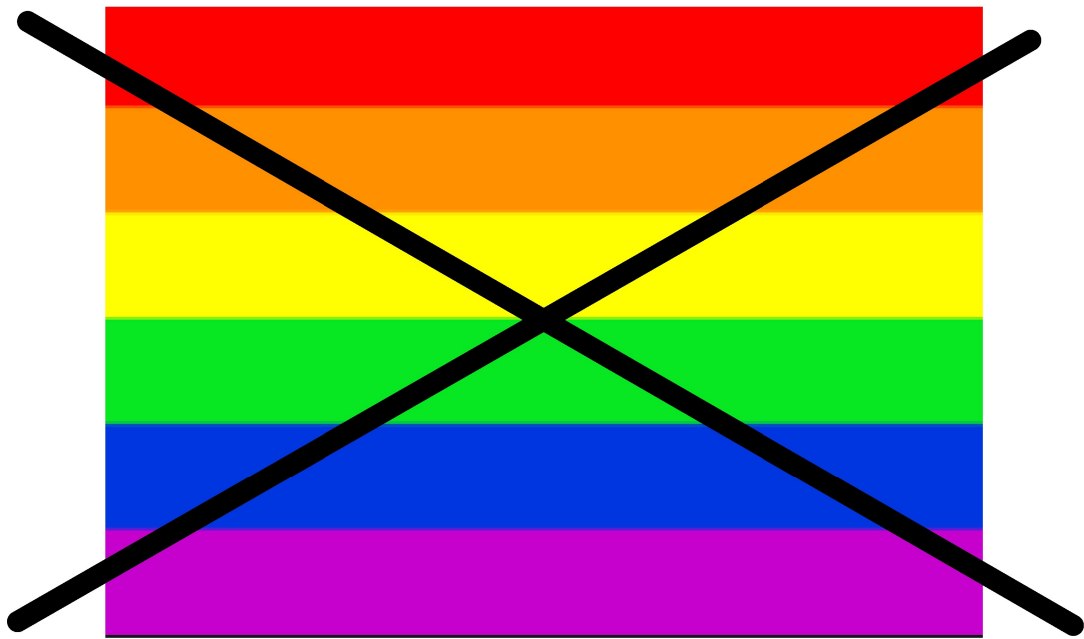
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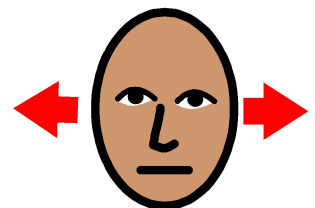
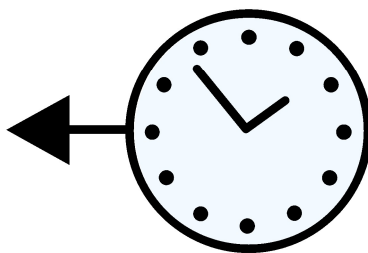
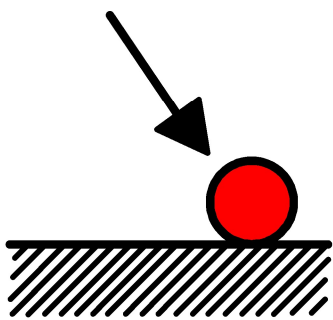
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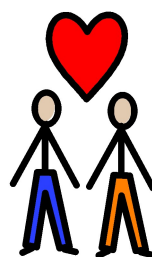
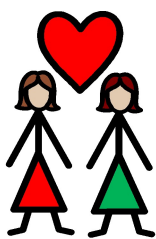
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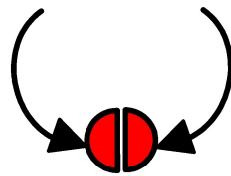
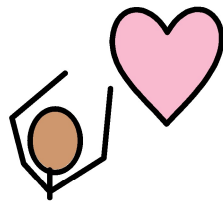
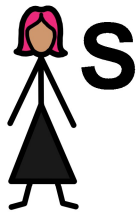
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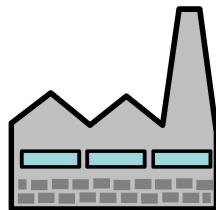
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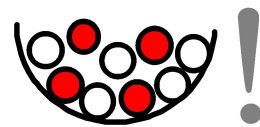
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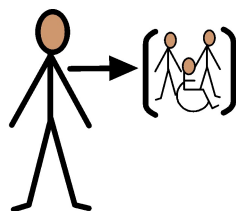
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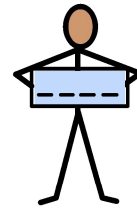
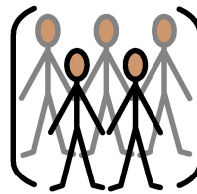
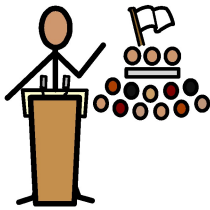


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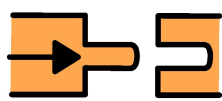




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Connect to support LGBTQ+

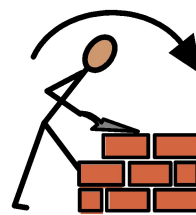
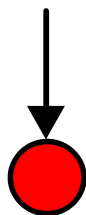
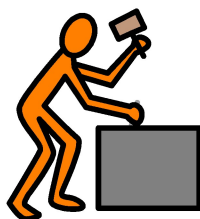


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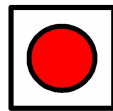
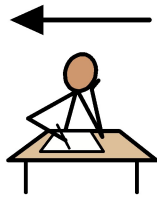
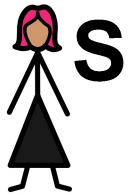
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Sharon worked in the construction

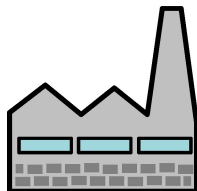


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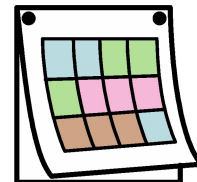
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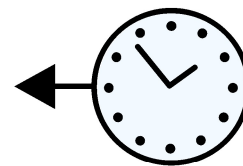
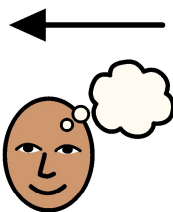
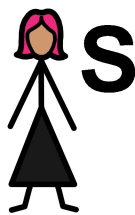


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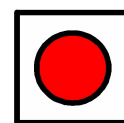
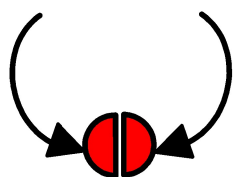
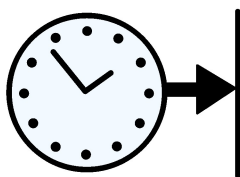




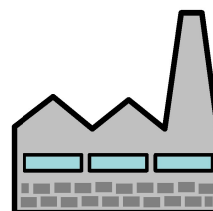
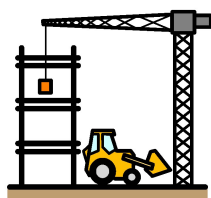
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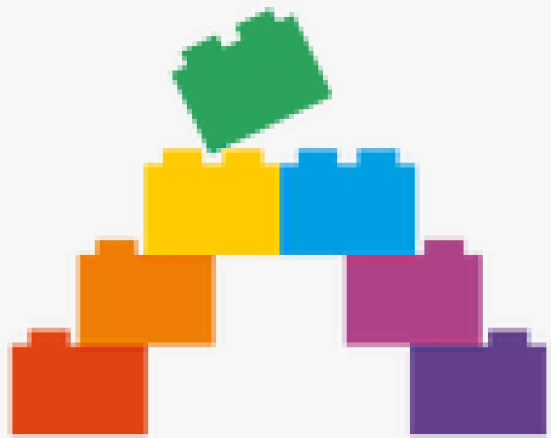


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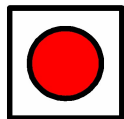
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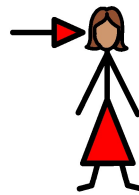


Constructing Rainbows

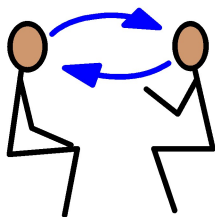
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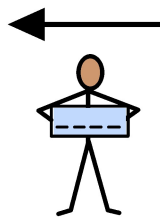
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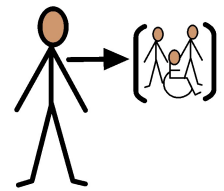
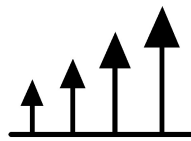
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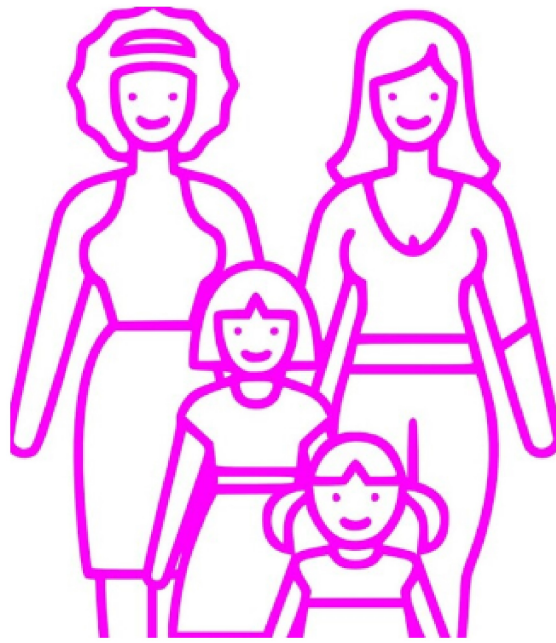
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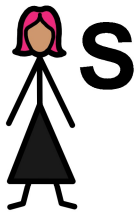
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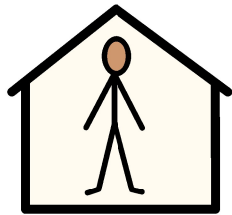




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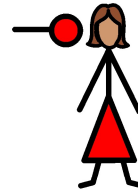
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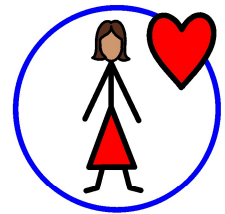
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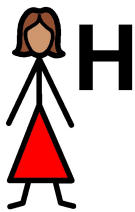
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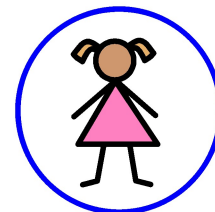
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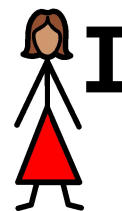
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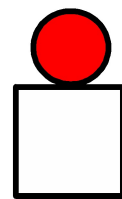
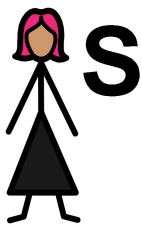
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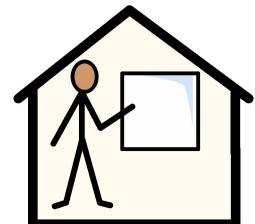
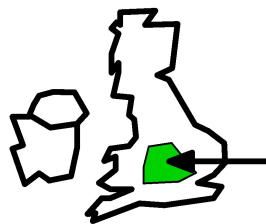
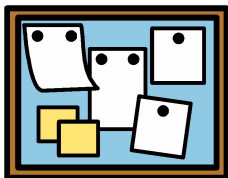


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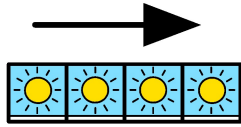
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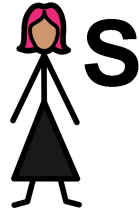
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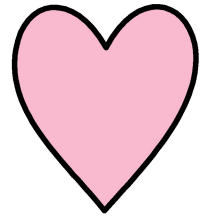
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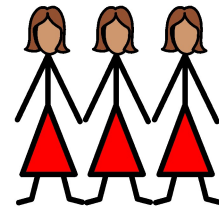
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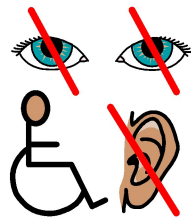
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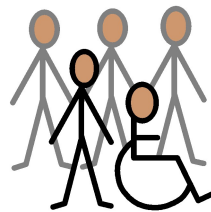
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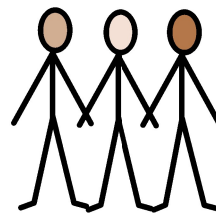
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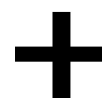
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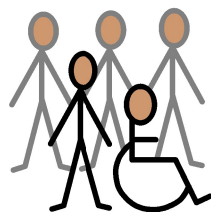


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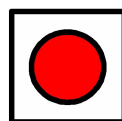


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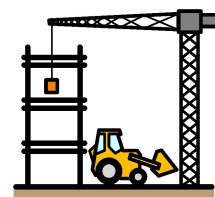
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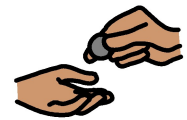
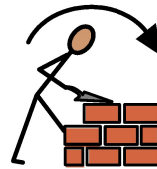


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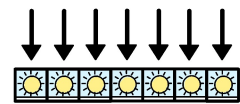




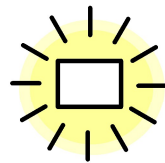
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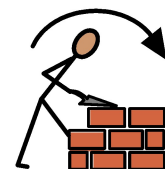
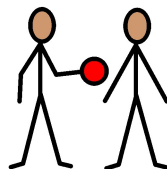
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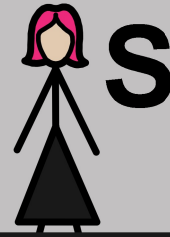


It could be your dream job!



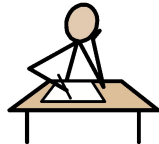
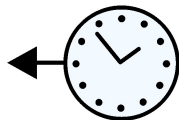


Sharon Slinger



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Sharon has worked in construction for



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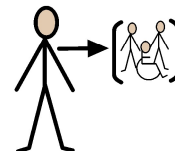
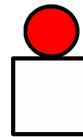
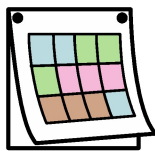
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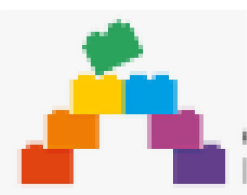
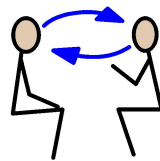
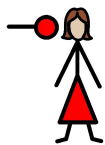
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