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SOUND



1000

WORDS

SCIENCE

SPACE



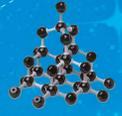
ENERGY



FORCES



WEATHER



SENSES



Build knowledge, vocabulary, and literacy skills

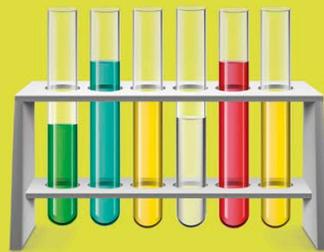


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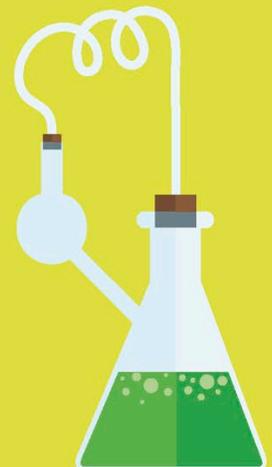
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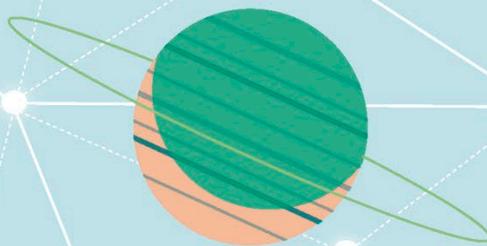
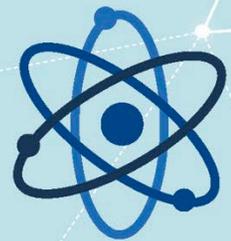


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1000 WORDS science



A note for parents about STEM...

STEM subjects are those that incorporate science, technology, engineering, and math. They often overlap. You need mathematical measurements to collect the results from a science experiment. You need to write computer programs to operate the machines you have engineered. You need to understand the science of forces to be a structural engineer. STEM subjects are highly interlinked, and many of the words from one subject will be useful when learning about another.

Children will meet a lot of new words when they begin to study STEM subjects at school. A great deal of technical vocabulary is used in these lessons: names for pieces of equipment, names for things we cannot see (such as forces), and words that describe a specific property of materials (such as “opaque”), and these may all be new to children.

This book contains topics and words that children are likely to encounter in their first few years at school. It also includes many of the topics that fascinate children in this age group, and some that show how STEM subjects are present in our everyday lives.

A broad vocabulary can help children access their education more easily. Spending time with children and talking about the words and the illustrations in this book will expose them to more than just the words written here. They will encounter additional words as part of the conversation. This book is a great place to start your child’s STEM education.

Jules Pottle, elementary science consultant, teacher, and trainer

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Hot and cold

How warm are you right now? Some places in the world are warm, while others are freezing cold.



sun

summer

fireworks

sunglasses

hot

orangutan

explode

fire

bonfire

Equator

desert

lizard

sand

camel

coat

flask

cactus

icicles

hot water bottle

ice cubes



rainforest

vine

tree
frog

snake

monkey

butterfly

North Pole

Arctic

cold

Antarctic

South Pole

glacier

iceberg

polar
bear

explorers

orca

sea

snowman

Inuk

seal

penguins

Seasons

As the Earth orbits the sun, countries near the North and South Poles move through different seasons. Winter is usually cold. In spring, the weather gets warmer. It is hottest in summer, and then cools down again in the fall.



fireworks

changing colors

fog

rain

umbrella

waterproof

wet

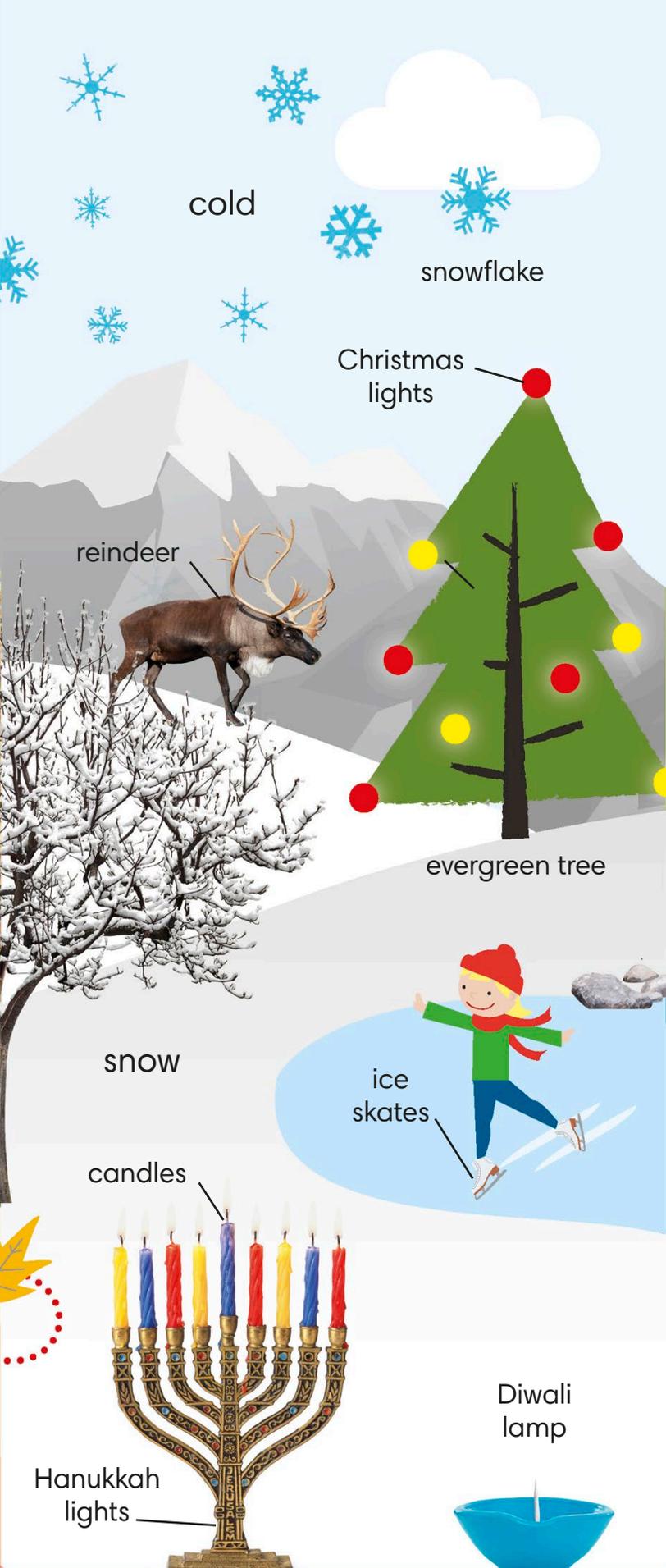
bonfire

boots

puddle

falling

leaves



cold

snowflake

Christmas lights

reindeer

evergreen tree

snow

ice skates

candles

Hanukkah lights

Diwali lamp

fall

winter



bird

eggs

nest

warm

blossom



sky

beach



fruit



harvest



calf



lamb

shade



sheep

hot



cow



butterfly



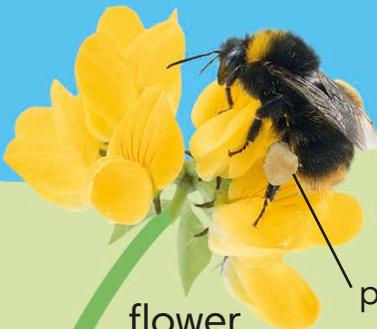
watering can



tadpoles

water

bee



flower

pollen



rabbit

baby rabbit

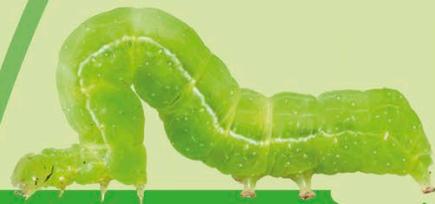


sunscreen



cooler

sun hat



caterpillar



shoot

spring



frog

summer

Sound

The world around us is bursting with different noises. Do you know what all of these sound like?





voice

hum

microphone

sing

tune



piano



speakers

vibration



splish

splash



headphones



woof



flute



meow



roar



tweet

siren



fire engine



buzz

cell phone

volume



birdsong



clickety-clack

loud



tick

tock



airplane

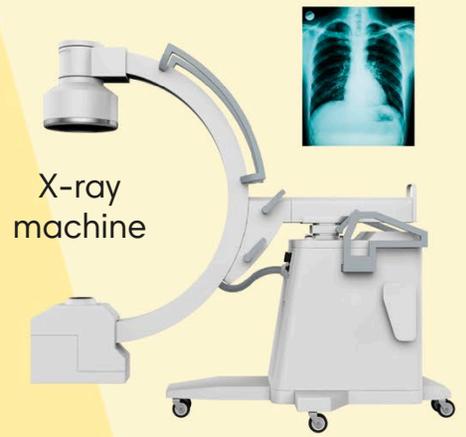


purr

quiet

Machines

We build machines to help us. They can be small and simple or big and complicated.



X-ray machine



pulley

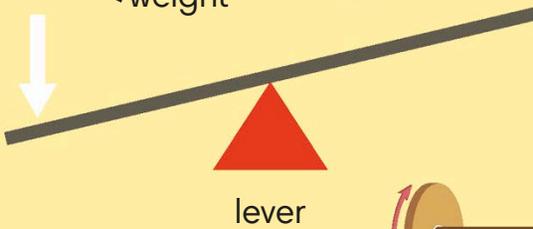
weight



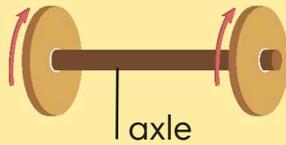
chain



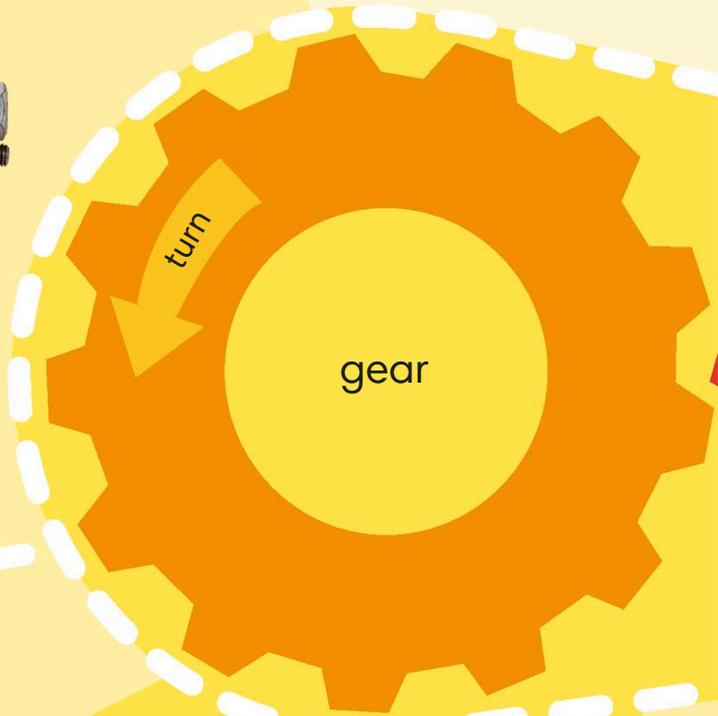
nuts and bolts



lever

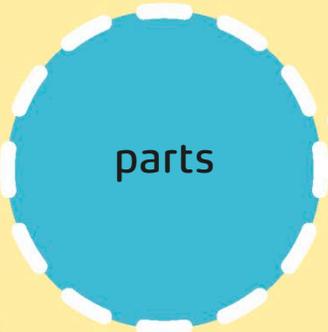


axle



gear

turn



parts

circuit board



crane



electrician

drill

plug

wire



building



mechanic



electricity



hospital



scanner

wheelchair



computer



television

toaster



clock



fridge

home

calculator



mobile phone



cog

pull



lawnmower

push



vacuum cleaner

race car



power

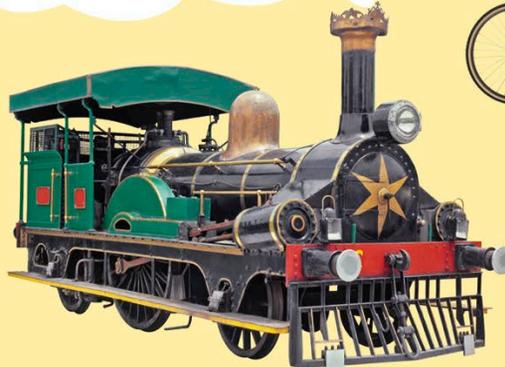
transportation



tractor

tire

steam engine



bus

wheel

excavator



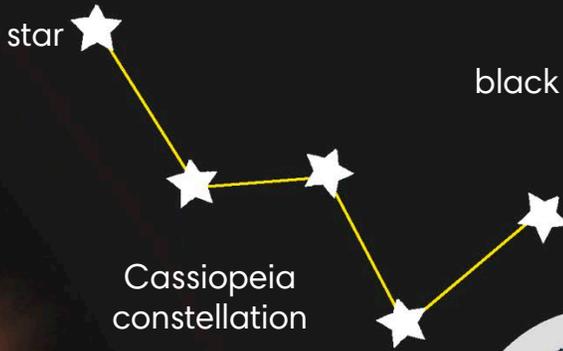
bike



motorcycle

Space

Have you ever looked at the night sky and wondered what's out there in space?



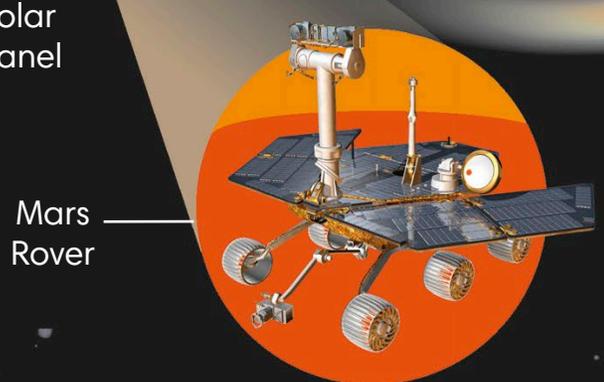
black

outer space



Solar System

sun





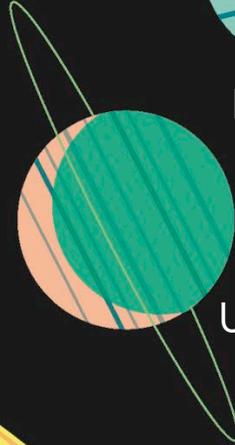
Hubble Space Telescope



Neptune



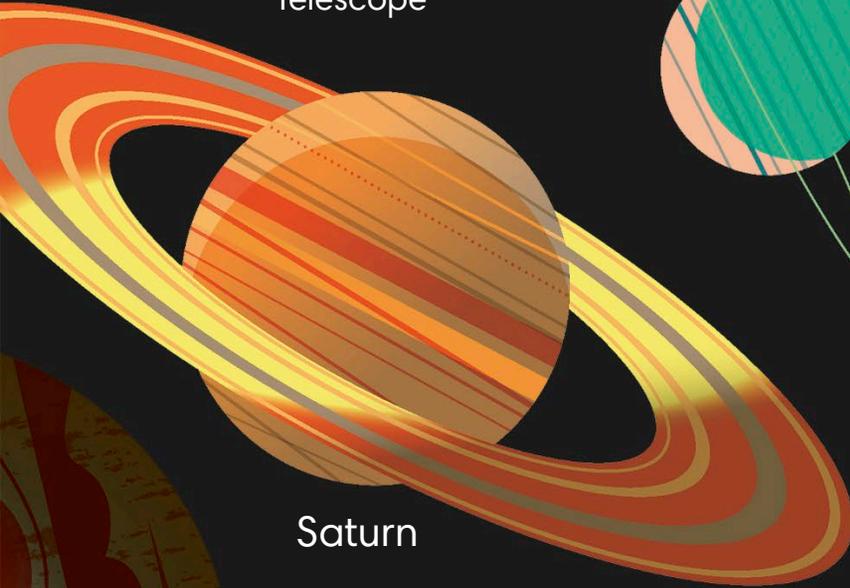
eclipse



Uranus



Northern lights



Saturn

planets



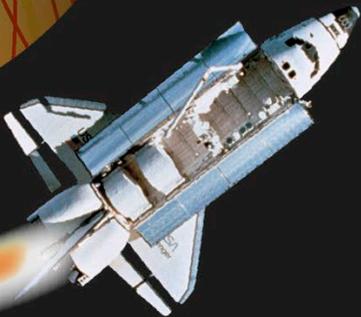
dark



comet



Milky Way



Space Shuttle

astronomer



telescope



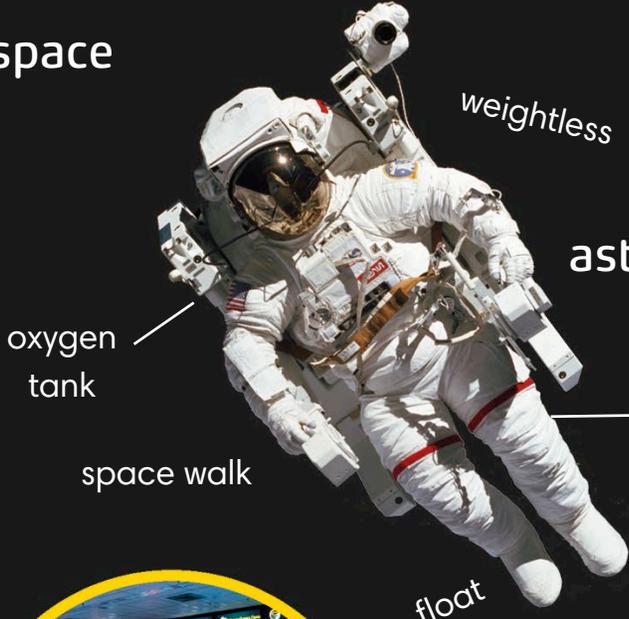
galaxy

Moon landing

What do you think it would be like to be an astronaut like Neil and Buzz, the first people to walk on the Moon?

★ space

★



oxygen tank

space walk

astronaut

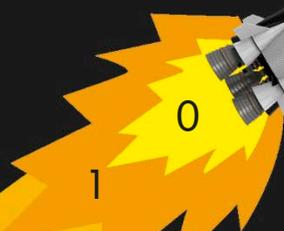
space suit

float



spacecraft

radio



liftoff



mission control

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

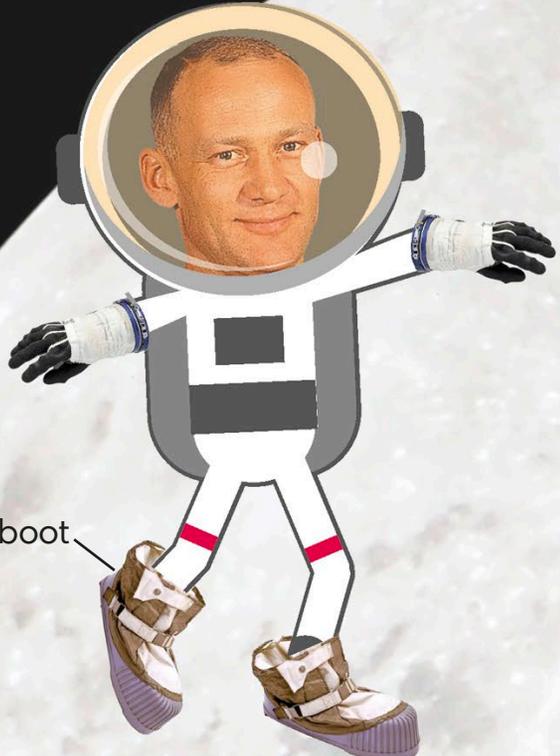
3

2

1

0

quiet



boot

moon

Buzz Aldrin





rocket

Apollo 11

porthole

control desk

airlock

silence

lunar module

helmet

landing site

Moon rock

visor

"That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

glove

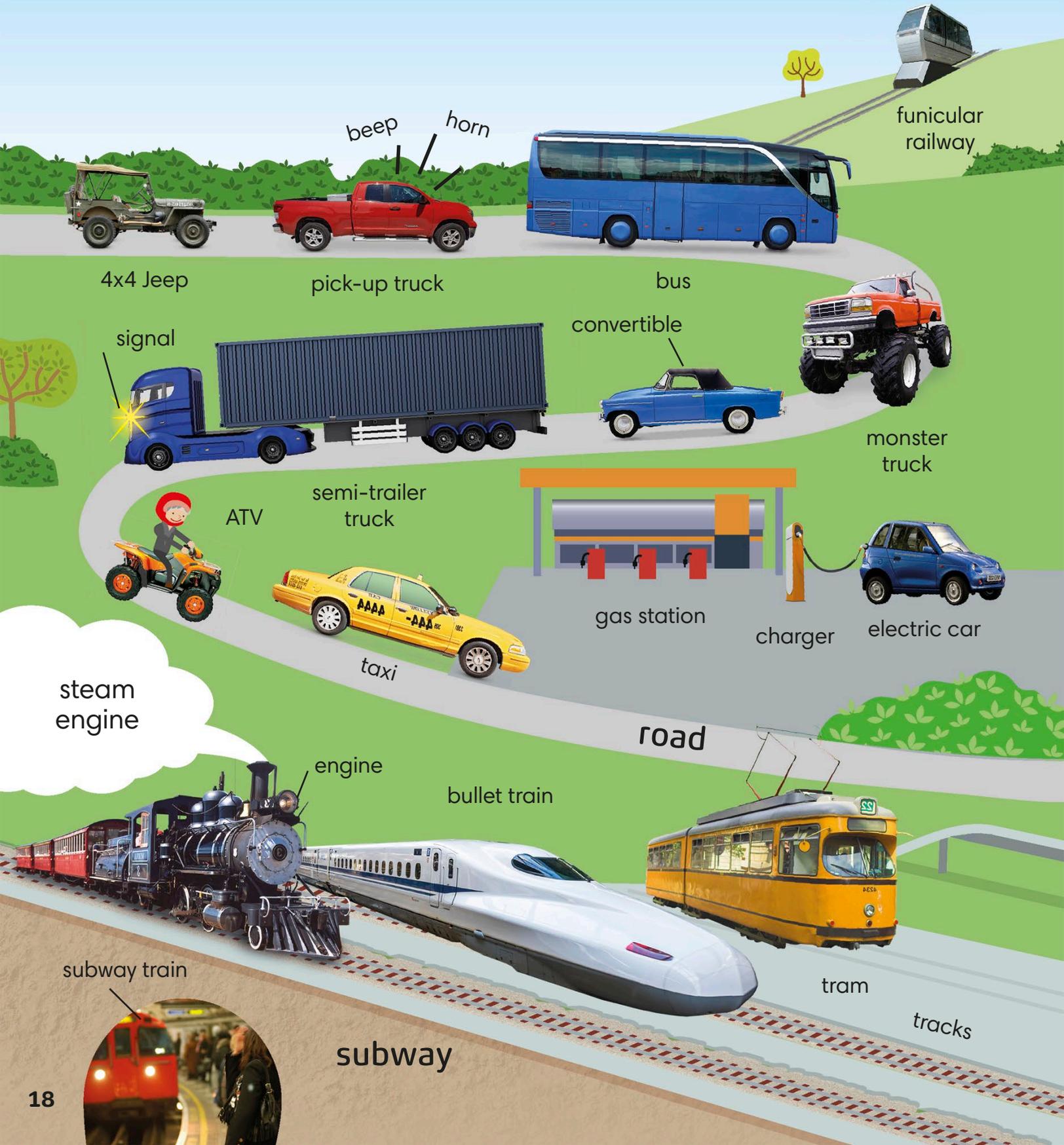
crater

crescent moon

Neil Armstrong

Transportation

There are lots of ways to travel. How many of these types of transportation have you used?



funicular railway

4x4 Jeep

pick-up truck

bus

signal

convertible

monster truck

ATV

semi-trailer truck

gas station

charger

electric car

taxi

road

steam engine

engine

bullet train

subway train

tram

tracks

subway

air



parachute



airplane



glider



helicopter



jet plane



airport

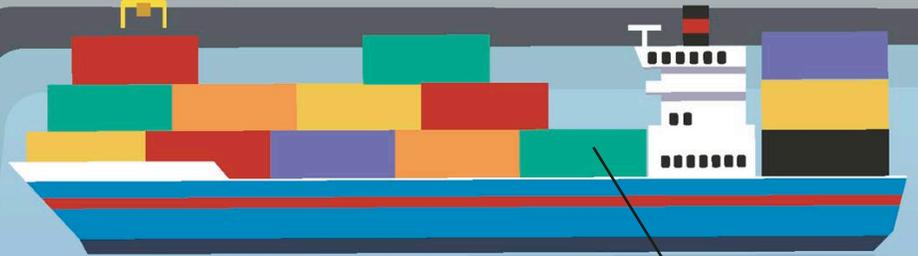


horse and carriage

stoplight



port



container ship

containers



sailboat



ferry

sea



monorail



bicycle



tandem



tricycle



engineer

rail

Vehicles

Many machines are designed to move people and things around. We call them vehicles.

aerodynamic



fighter jet



lifeboat



ship

speedboat



submarine



army truck



tank



dump truck

cab



backhoe loader



caterpillar tracks

excavator



bulldozer



drone



horse trailer



tractor

baler



combine harvester



flag

streamlined



race car

spoiler

tire



pit stop

grip

motorcycle



wheel



ambulance

ramp



police car



fire engine

siren



garage

crane



jack



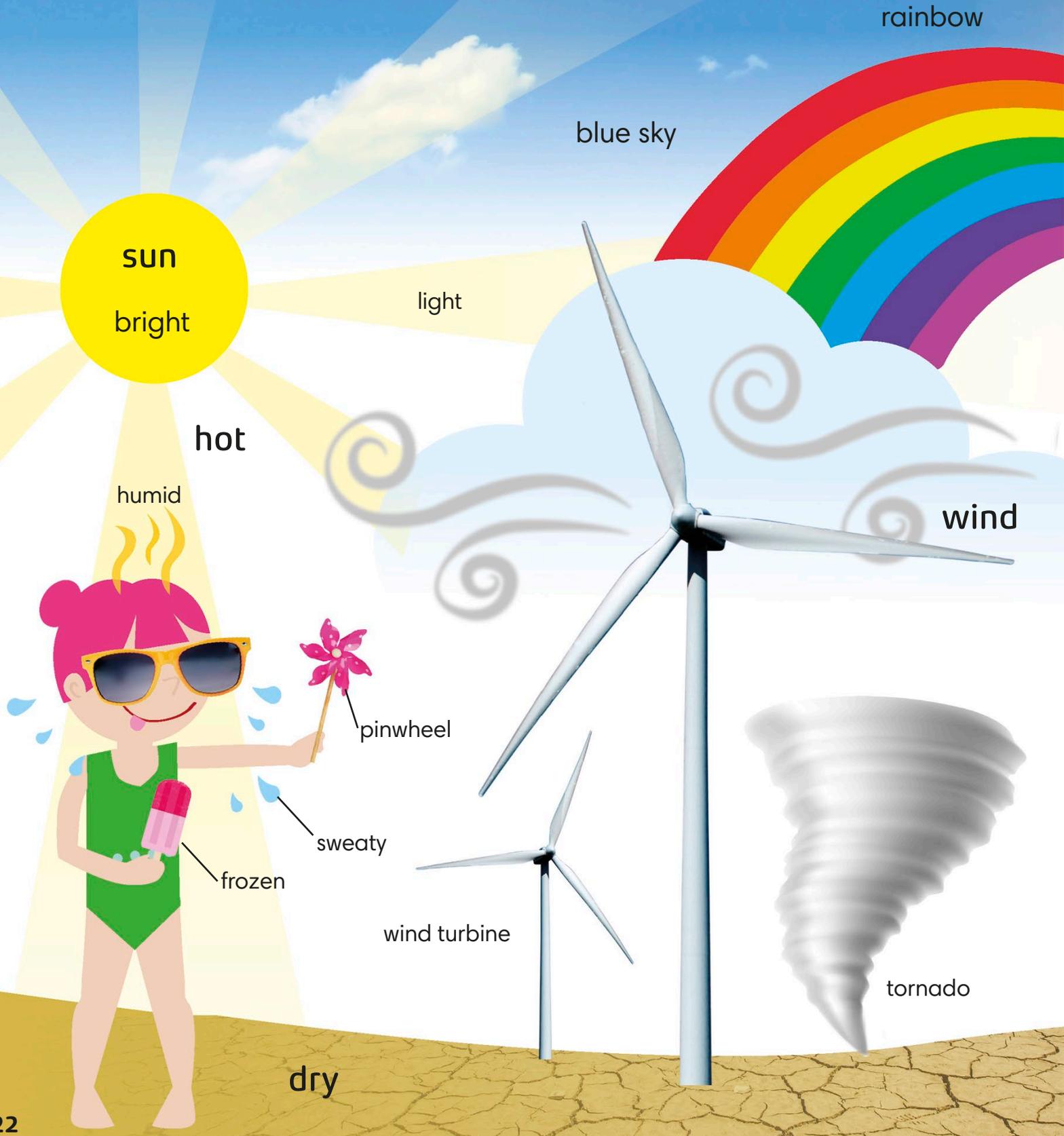
car lift



mechanic

Weather

What is the weather like today? It can change from season to season or from day to day. In some places, it can even change several times in one day!



thunder

cloud

storm cloud



hail

storm

rain



raindrops

lightning



showers



mist



colors



drizzle



snowstorm

snow



cold



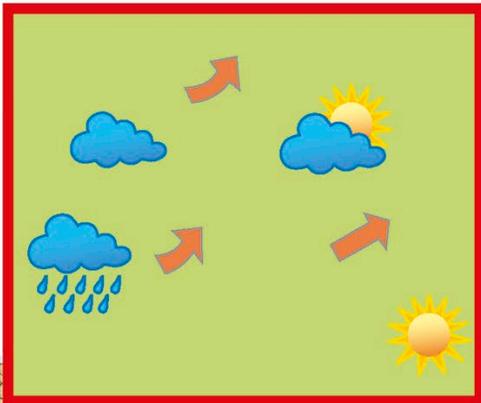
ice crystal

damp

wet



chilly



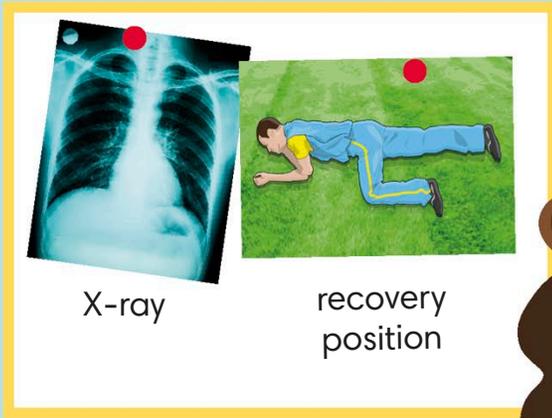
forecast



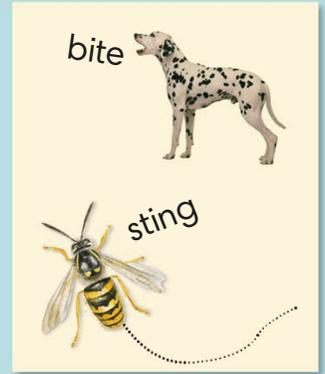
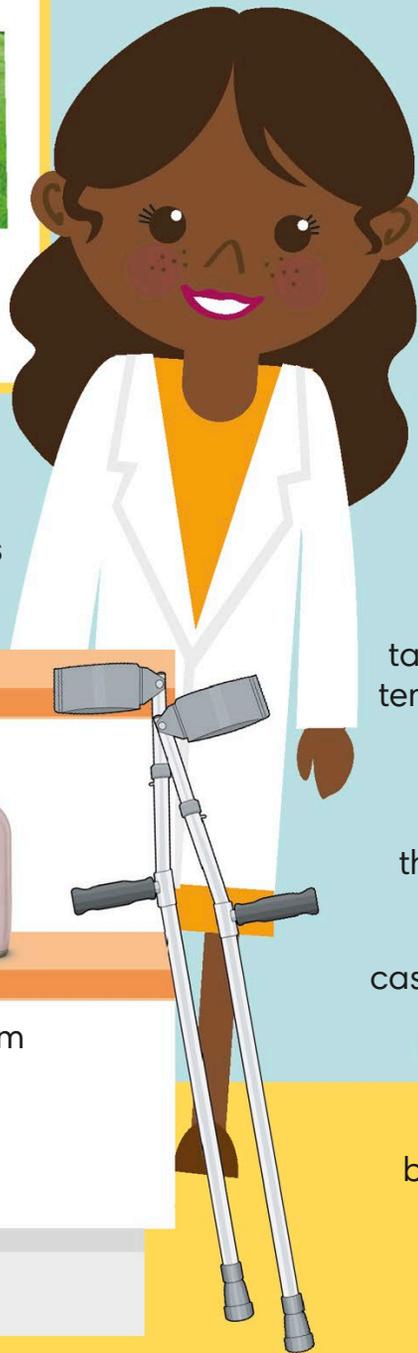
At the doctor's office

The doctor can figure out what is wrong with us and help us get better when we are sick.

doctor's office



doctor



medicine



patient

taking your temperature



thermometer

sling

cast

broken leg

crutches

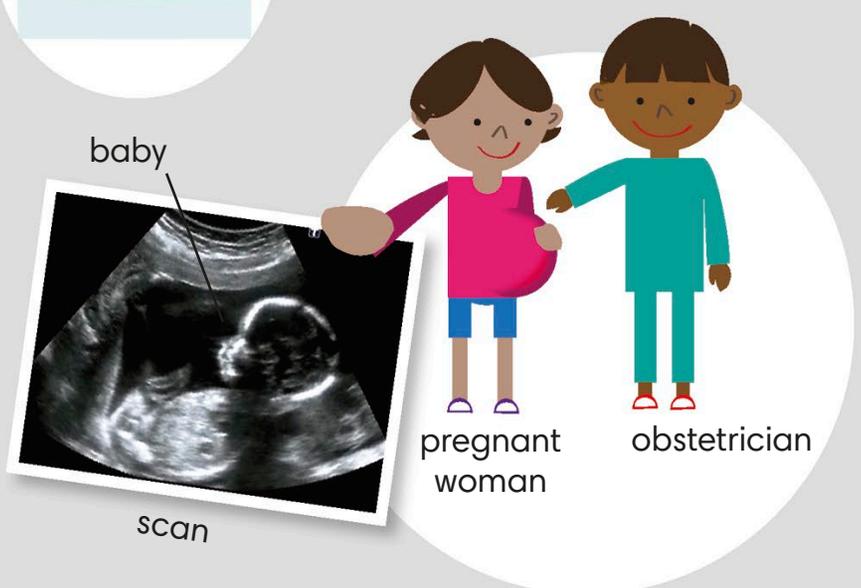
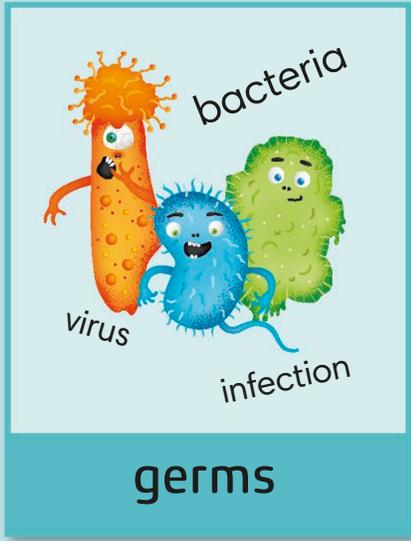
wheelchair



syringe

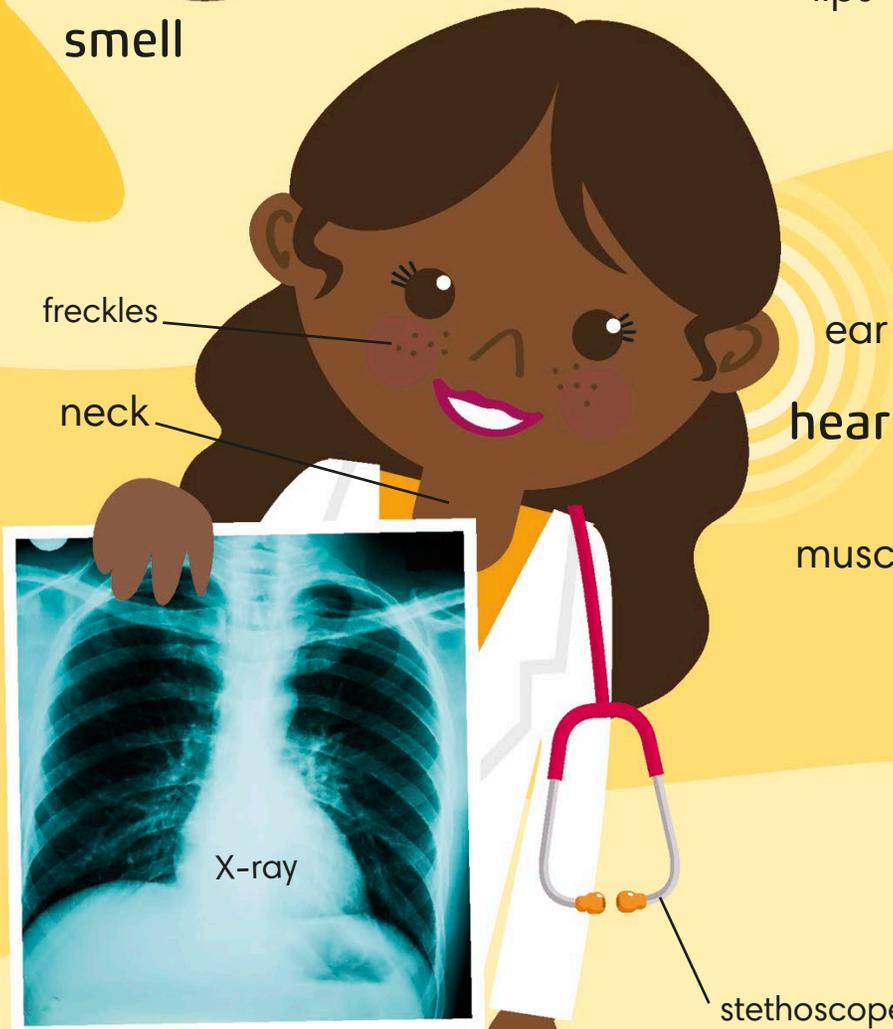
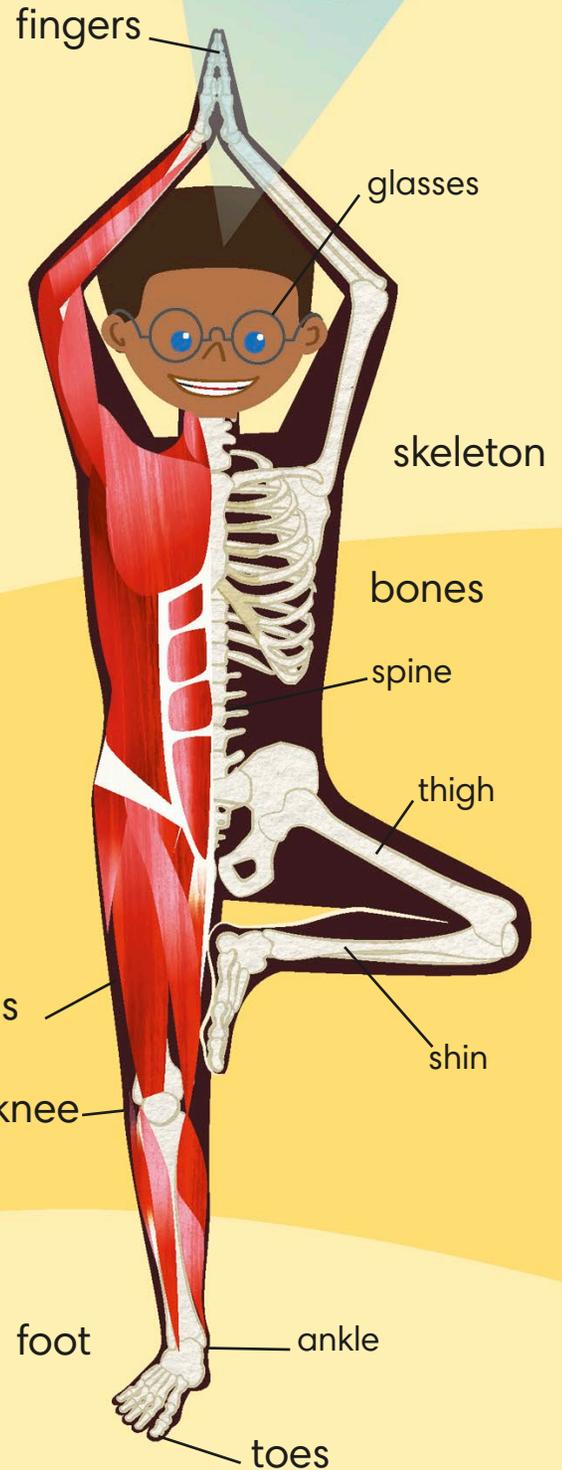
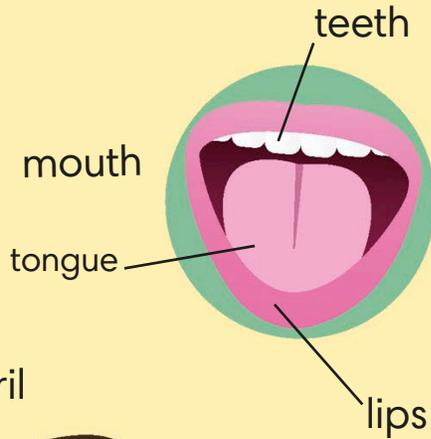
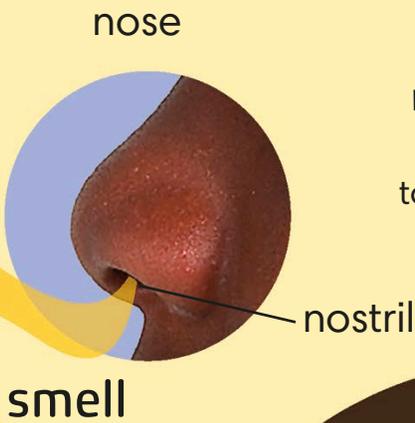
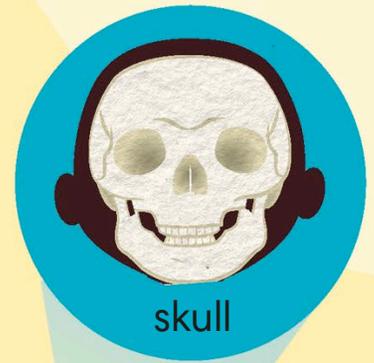
hand gel

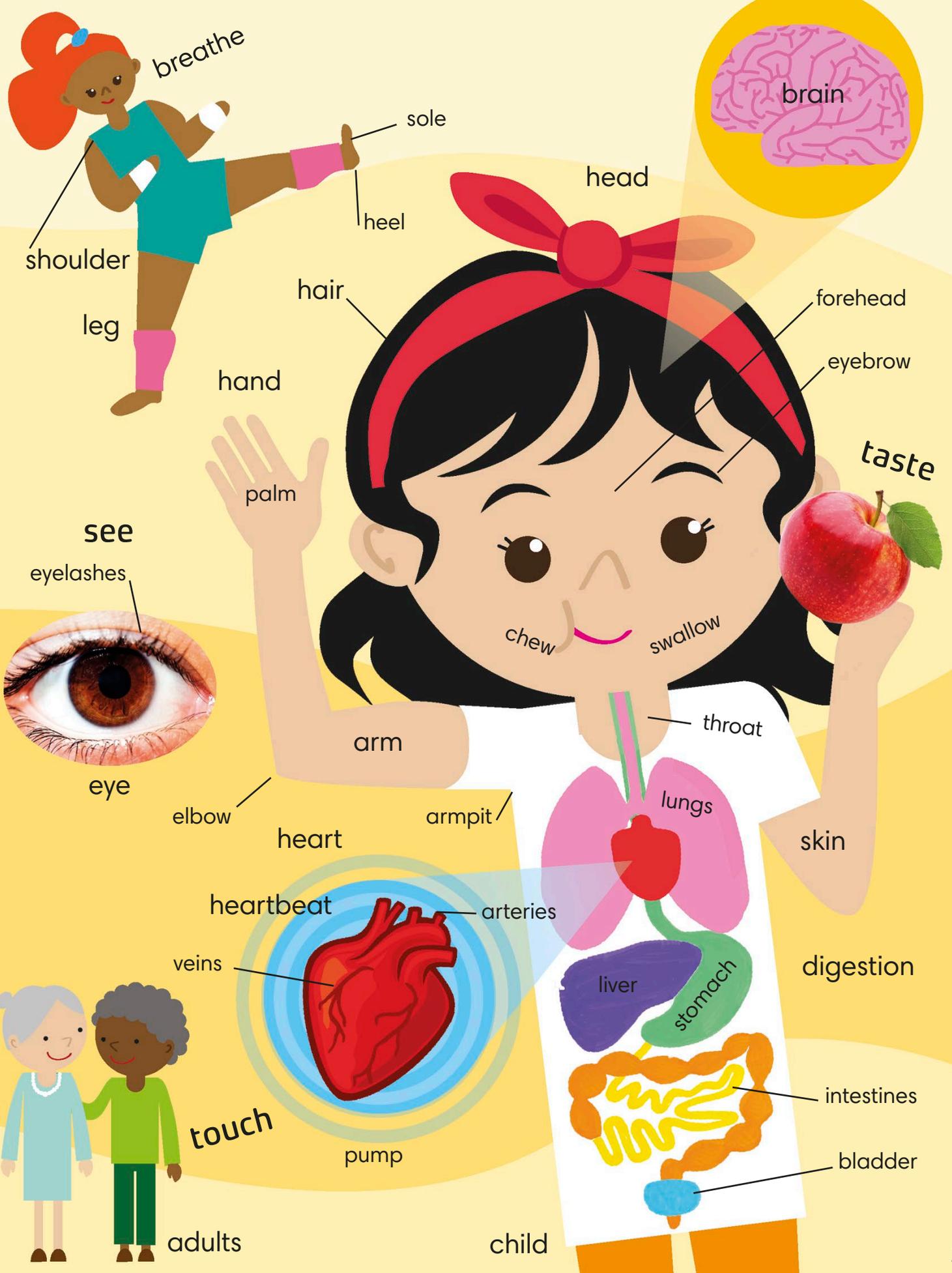
cream



Human body

Your body is amazing! It has so many parts, and it can do so many wonderful things!





breathe

brain

sole

head

shoulder

heel

leg

hair

forehead

hand

eyebrow

taste

palm

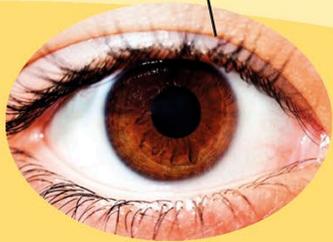
see

chew

swallow

eyelashes

throat



arm

eye

skin

elbow

heart

armpit

lungs

heartbeat

arteries

digestion

veins

liver

stomach



touch

pump

intestines

bladder

adults

child

Materials

The world is made of many different materials. Some are rare, and some you might see every single day!

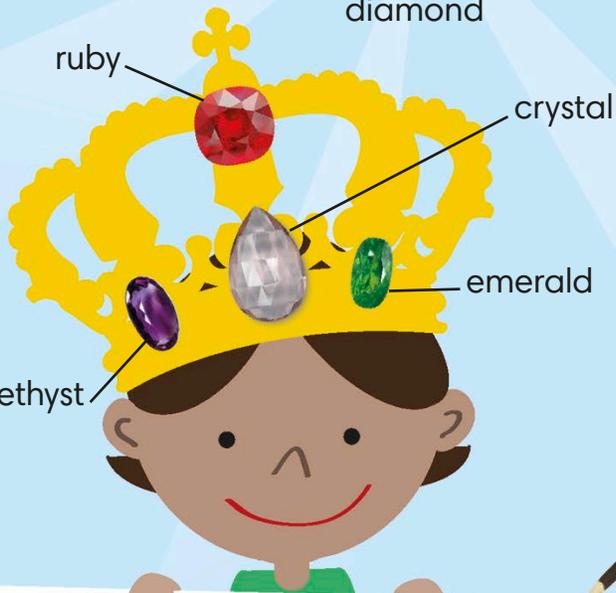


iron



hard

diamond

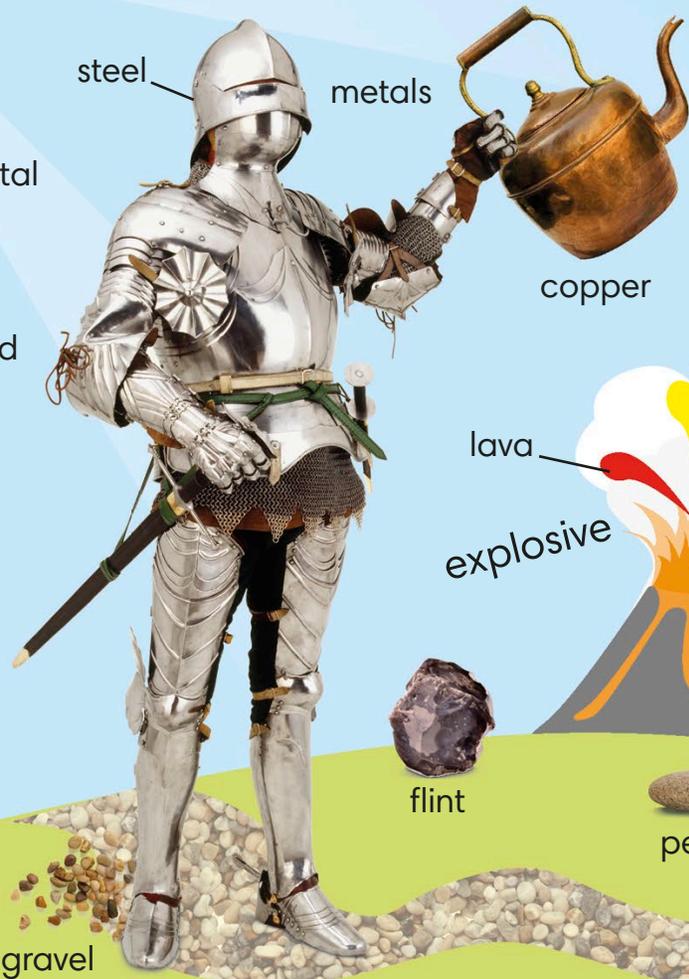


ruby

crystal

emerald

amethyst



steel

metals

copper

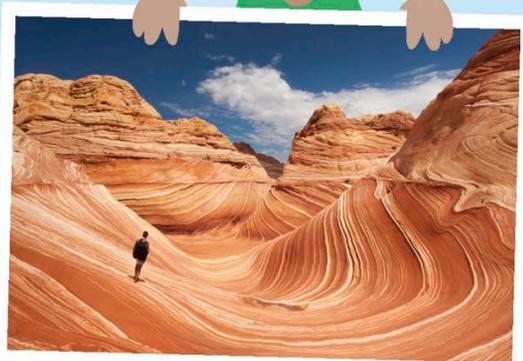
lava

explosive

flint

pebble

gravel



sandstone



sand

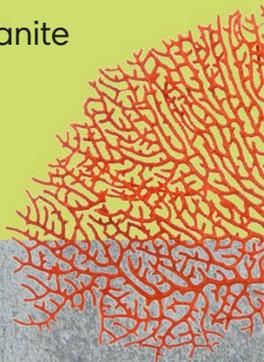


clay

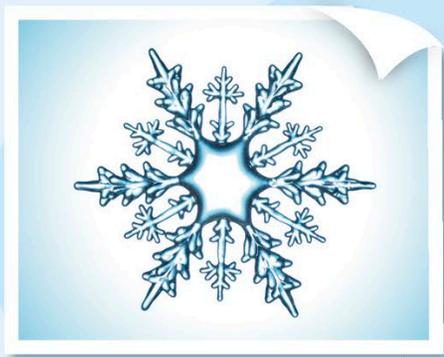


granite

rock



solids



icicle

freeze

melt

ice crystal

paper



salt crystal



sugar crystal

elastic



rubber band

plastic



man-made



cotton



recyclable

biodegradable



wool



wood

natural



shell

pearl

glass



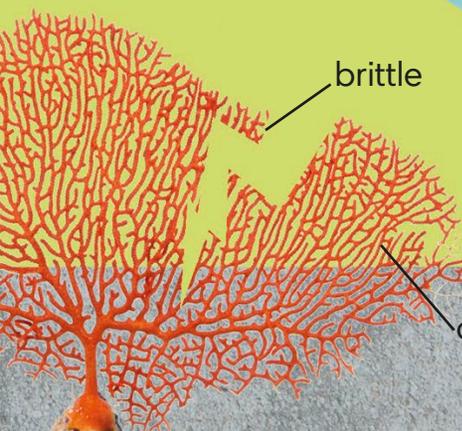
water



acid



dishwashing liquid



brittle

sponge

absorbent

coral



oxygen

hydrogen

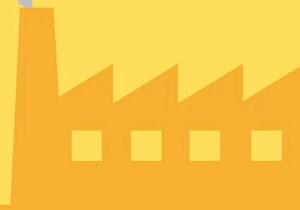


poisonous



nitrogen

carbon dioxide



air

gases

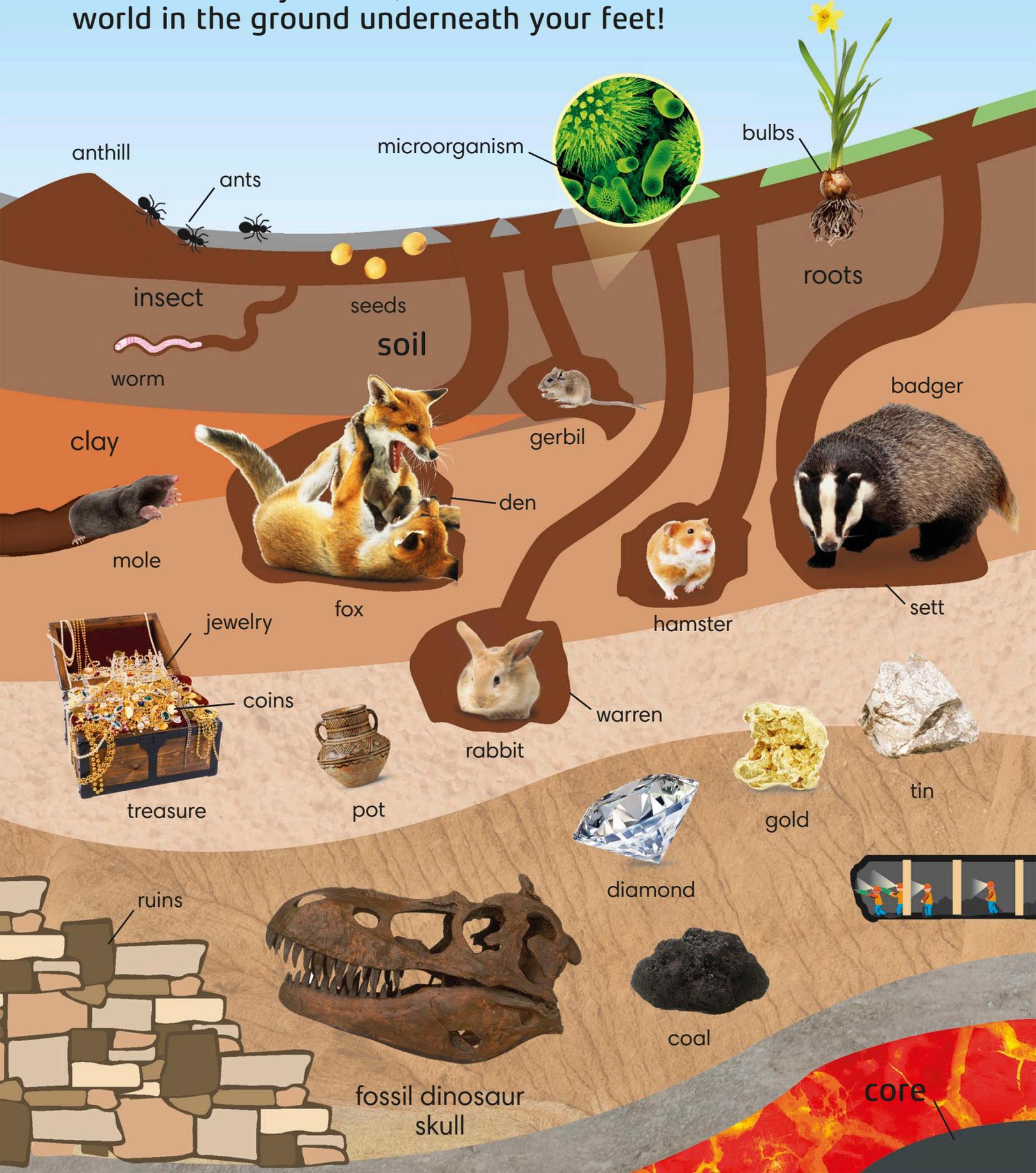


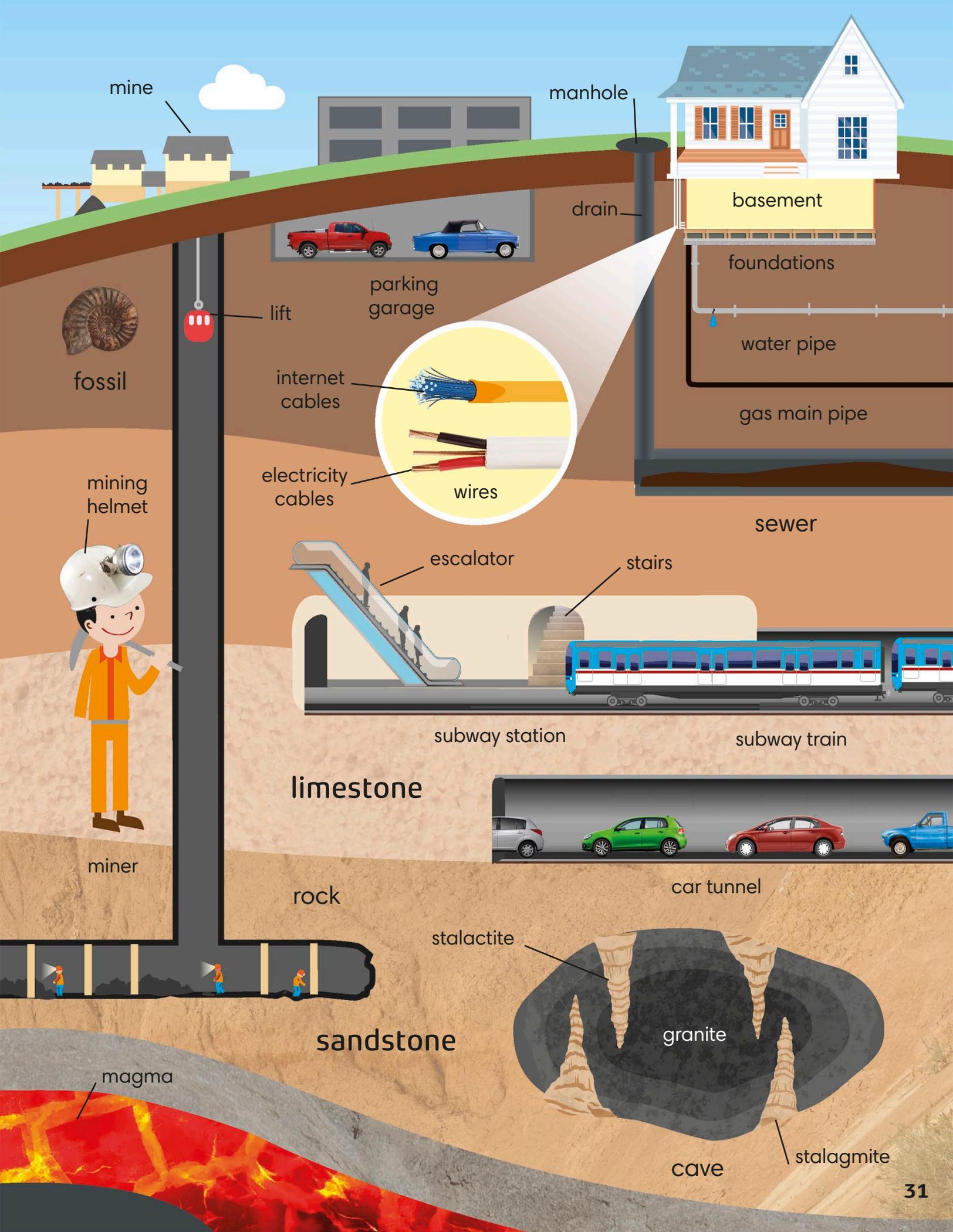
rain

liquids

Underground

You can't always see it, but there is a whole world in the ground underneath your feet!





mine

manhole

basement

drain

foundations

water pipe

gas main pipe

sewer

fossil

lift

parking garage

internet cables

electricity cables

wires

mining helmet

escalator

stairs

subway station

subway train

limestone

miner

rock

car tunnel

stalactite

sandstone

granite

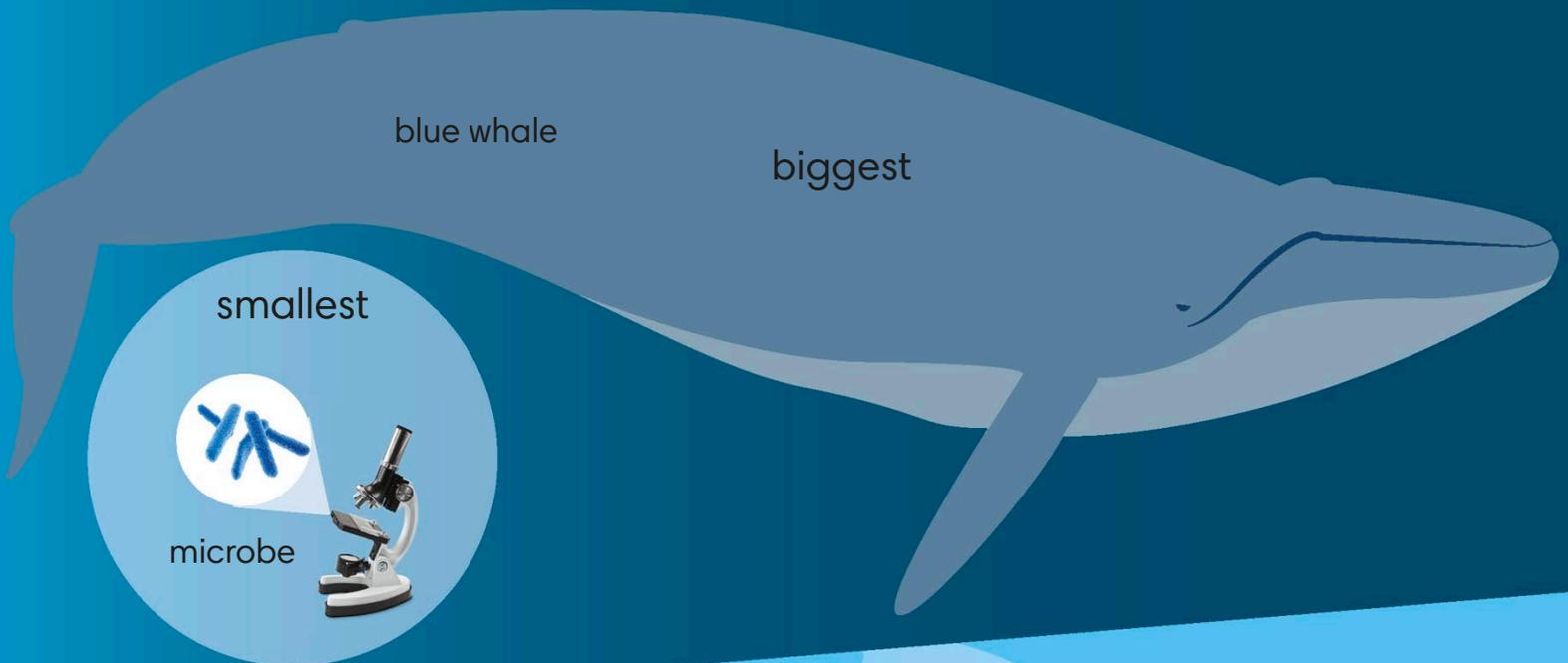
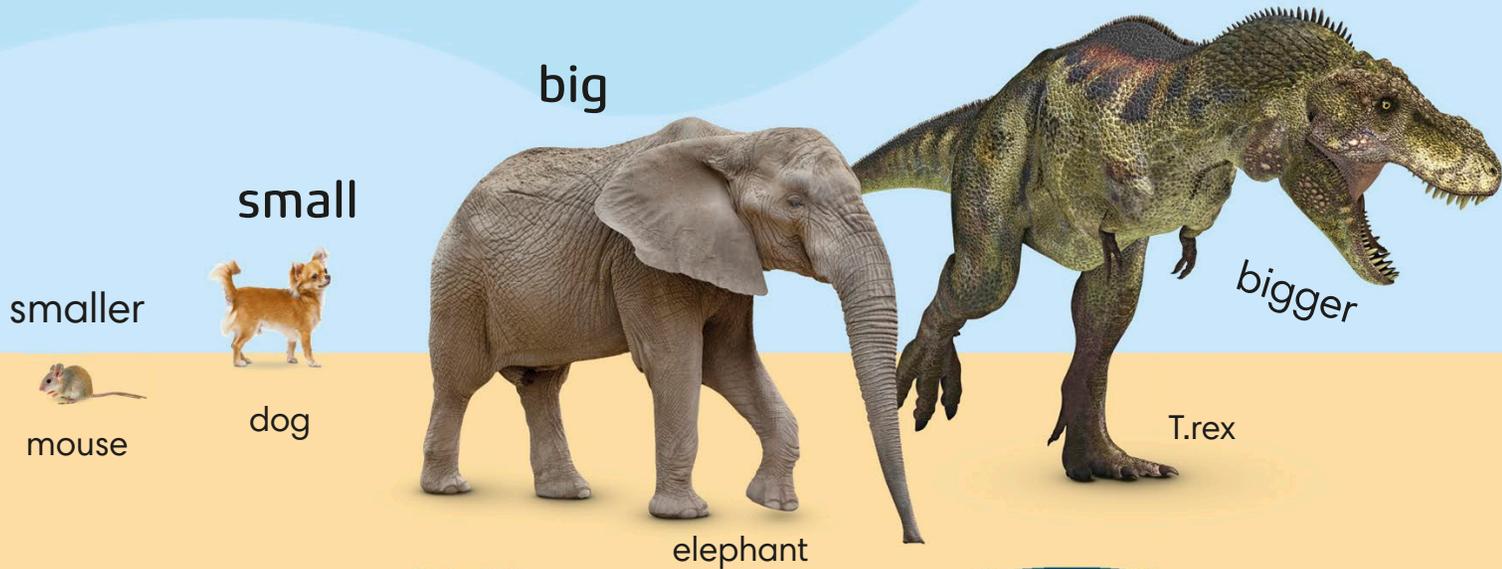
magma

cave

stalagmite

Comparisons

You might be tall. You might be short. You might be early or late, or hot or cold. These kinds of words help us describe and compare things.



slowest

slow

fast

fastest



snail



tortoise



cheetah



race car

darker

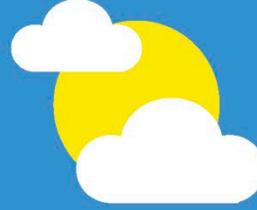
dark

bright

brighter



Moon



sun

equal

balance



light



heavy

rock

feather

unequal

shallow

deep



bath



swimming pool

deeper



ocean

quieter

quiet

loud

louder

loudest

buzz



mosquito

purr



cat



crying baby



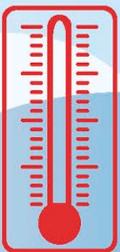
trumpet

toot



siren

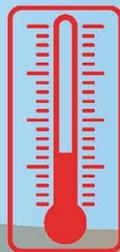
temperature



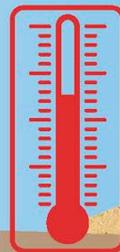
coldest



colder



cold



hot



hotter



hottest

Junk

What happens to all the things we throw away? How many of these things can be reused or recycled?





incinerator

crusher

trash

toxic waste

compactor

reduce

plastic bottles

yard waste

decompose

recycle

compost

plastic

wood

boxes

food waste bin

yard waste bin

electronics

glass

cardboard

recycling bin

paper

sorting

lights

foil

packaging

wrappers

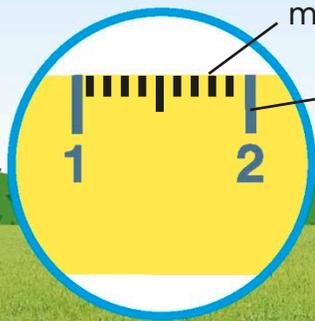
batteries

conveyor belt

litter

Measuring

If you are doing an experiment or making something, you often need to measure things. And there are many ways to measure things!



millimeter
centimeter

distance

height

short

tall

measuring tape

length

100 cm = 1 meter

slow

miles

kilometers

day



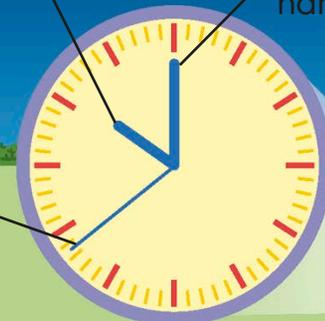
speedometer

night

hour hand

minute hand

second hand



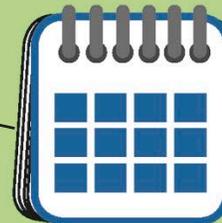
clock

stopwatch

timer

calendar

year



month

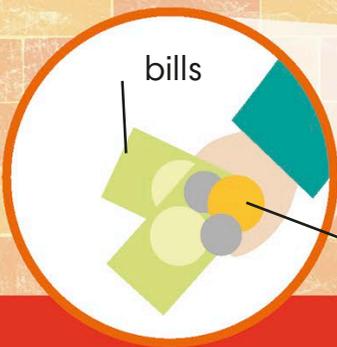
Big Ben



fast

speed

time



money

shopping

light

heavy



weight

balance

gram

weighing scales

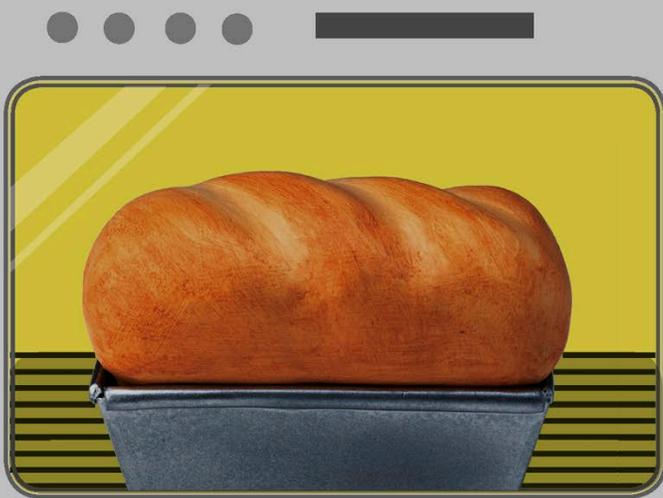
kilogram



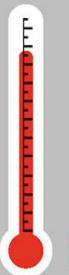
apples



weight



hot



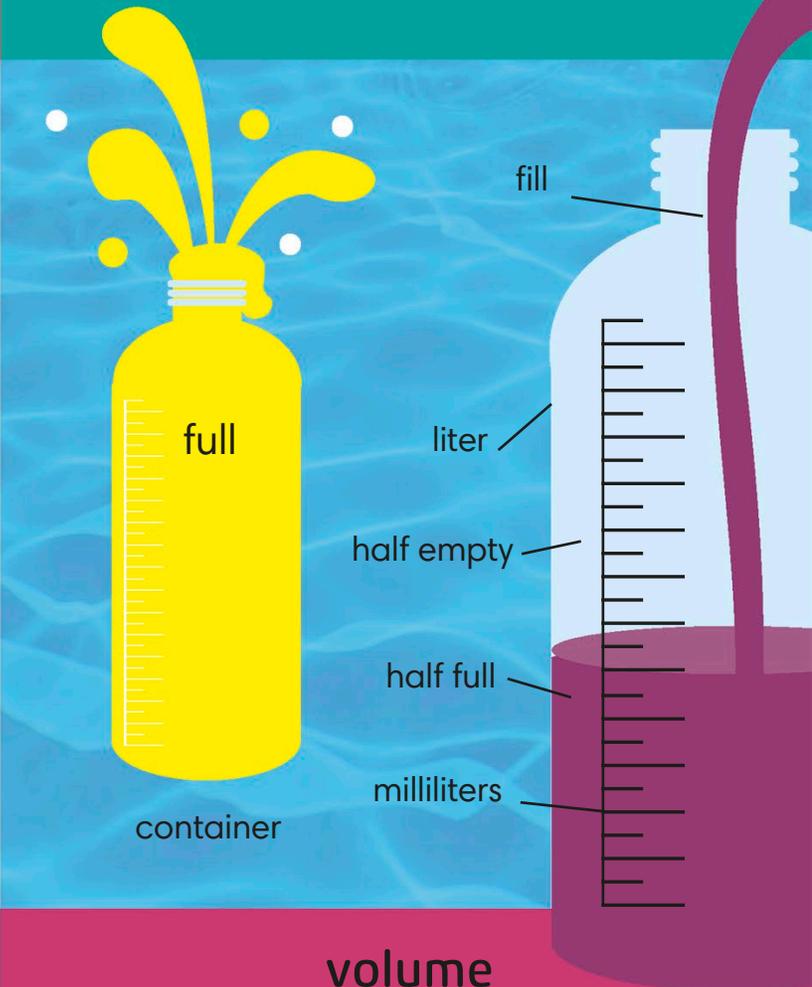
cold

thermometer

350°

degrees

temperature



fill

full

liter

half empty

half full

milliliters

container

volume



satellite

star

meteor

planet

moon

sun

jet stream

biplane

airplane

travel

hang glider

cumulus clouds

skydiver

glide

snowflakes

parachute

Chinook

pollen

rain

vapor trail

flying

seagull

red kite

birds

butterfly

pigeon

swallow

Everest

mountain

mist

control tower

wind turbine

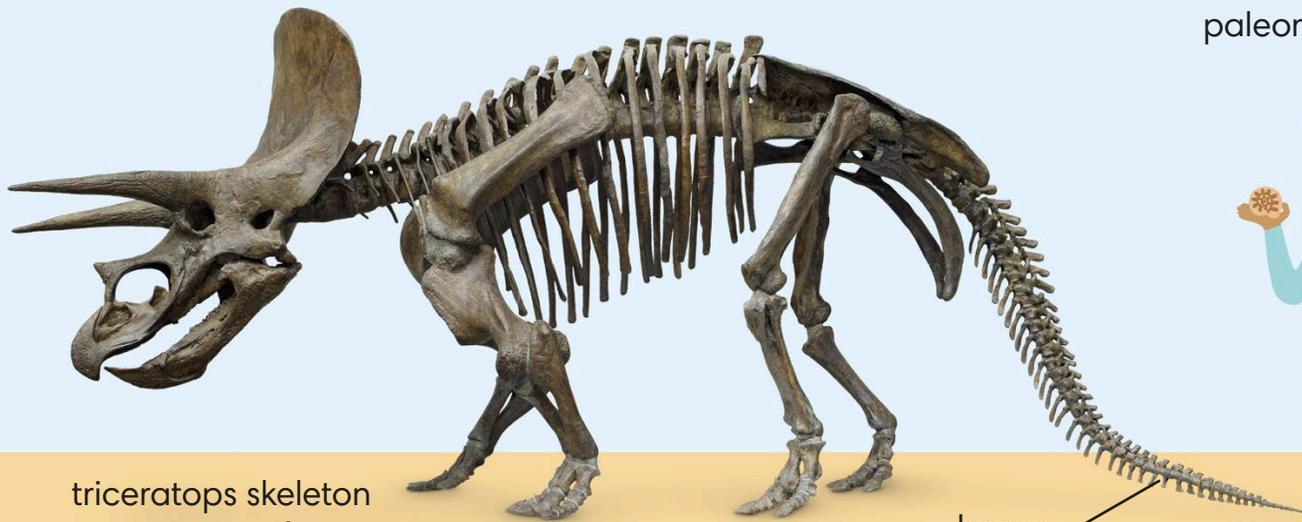
windsock

cell tower

jet pack

Long ago

65 million years ago, dinosaurs were alive. 2.6 million years ago, large areas of the Earth were covered in ice. The Earth looks very different today.



paleontologist



triceratops skeleton reconstruction

bones

fossils

albertosaurus skull



ammonite



dinosaur poop

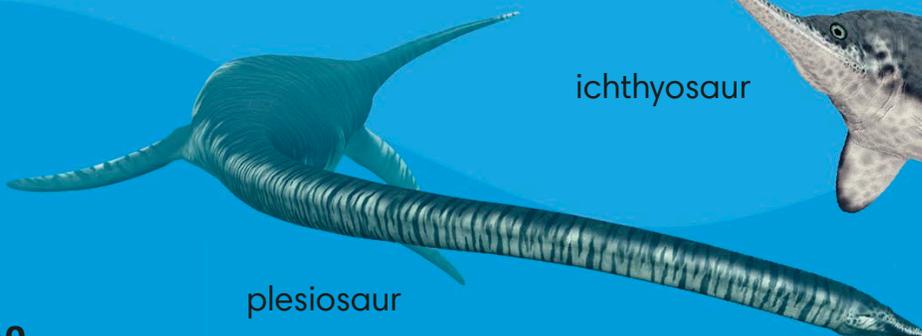


amber



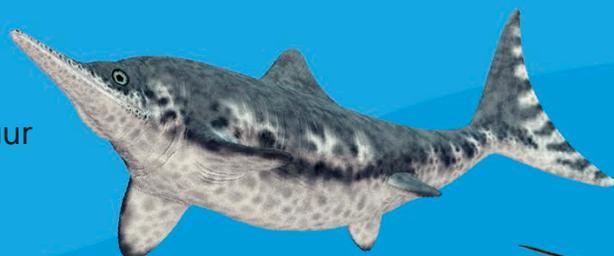
teeth

plesiosaur foot



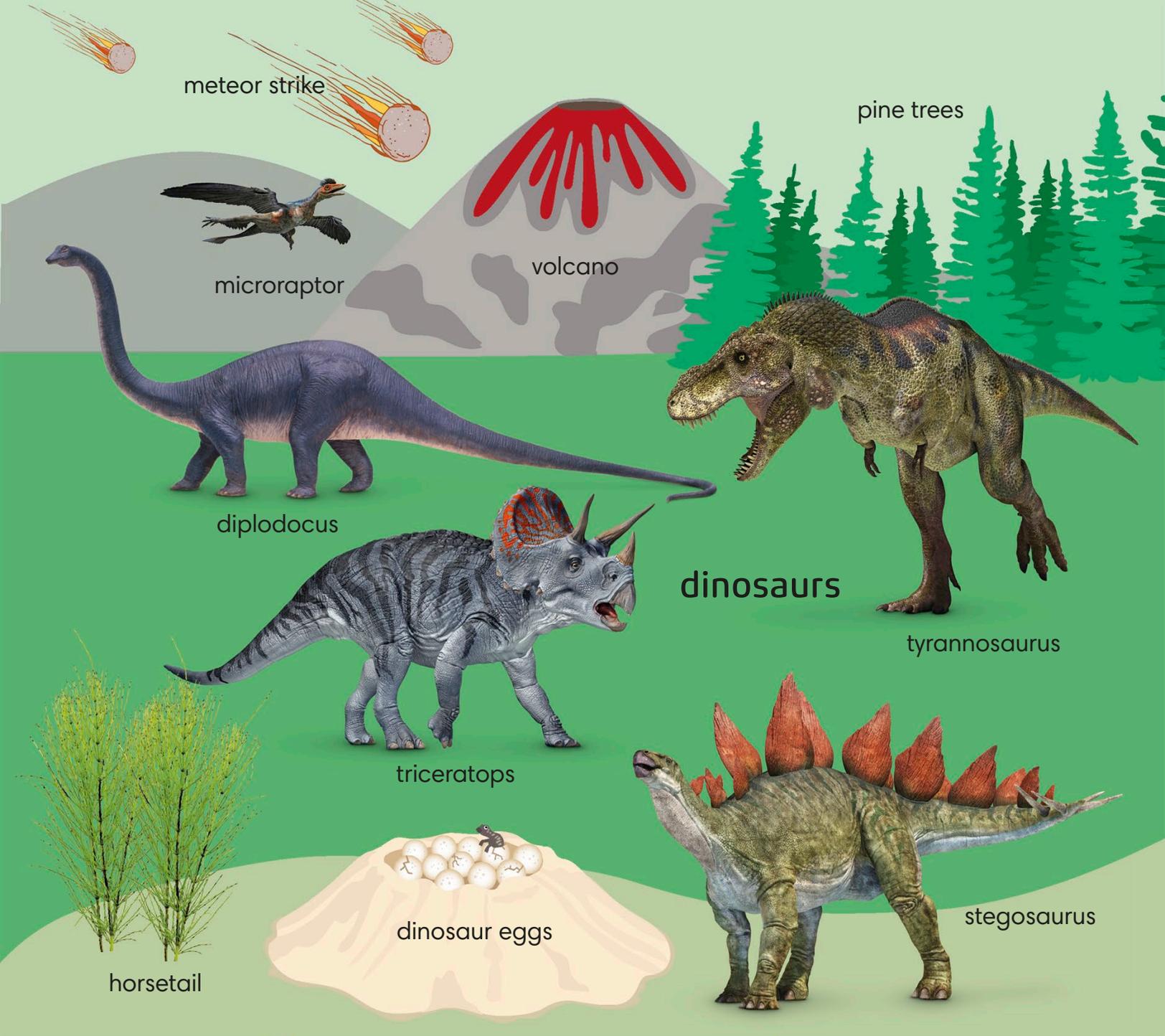
plesiosaur

ichthyosaur



horseshoe crab





meteor strike

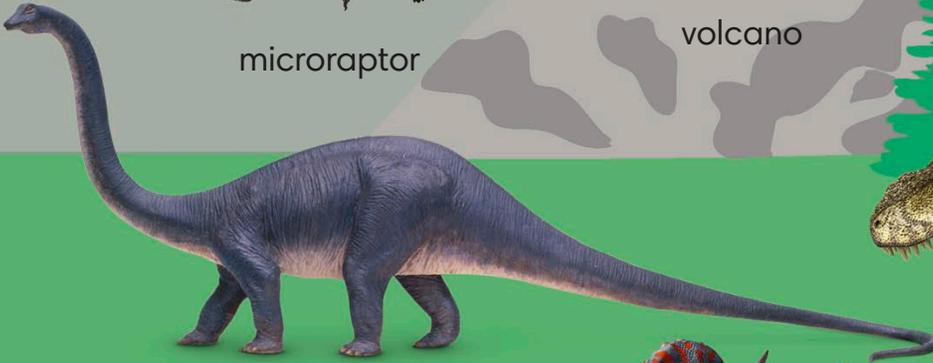
pine trees



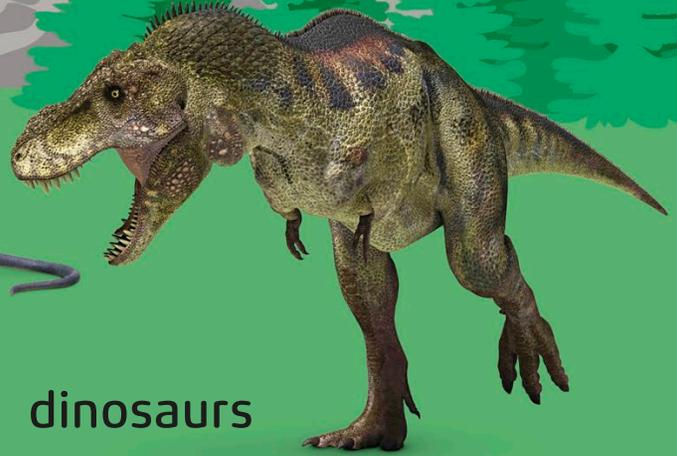
microraptor



volcano

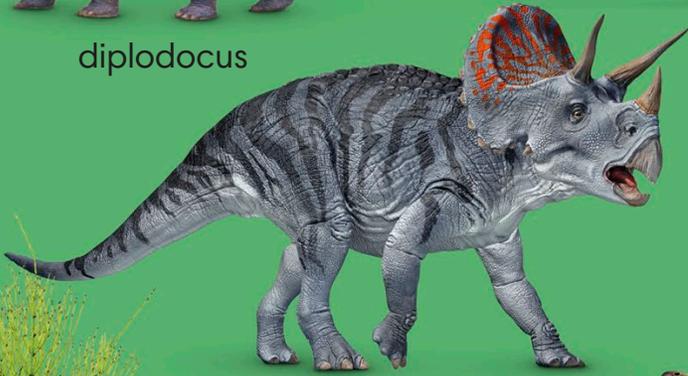


diplodocus



dinosaurs

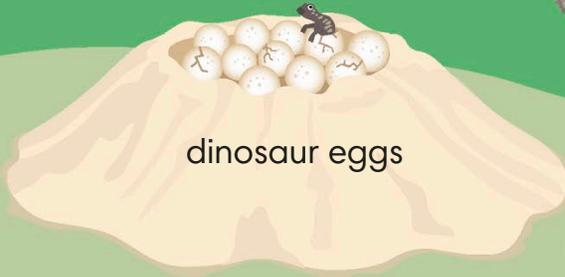
tyrannosaurus



triceratops



stegosaurus



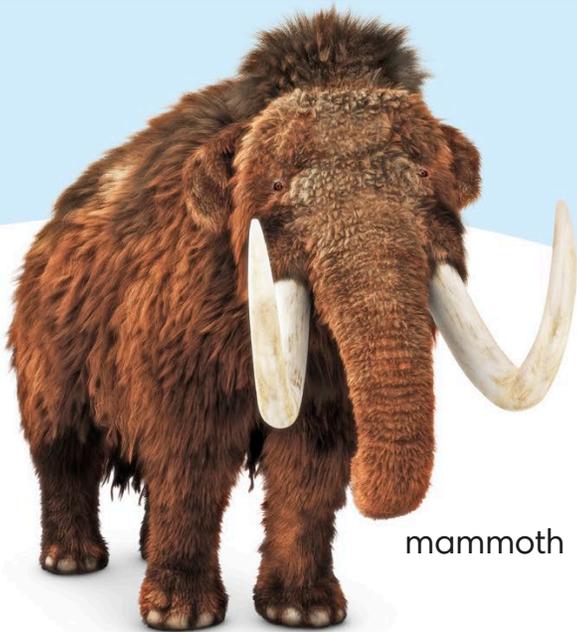
dinosaur eggs



horsetail



ice age



mammoth



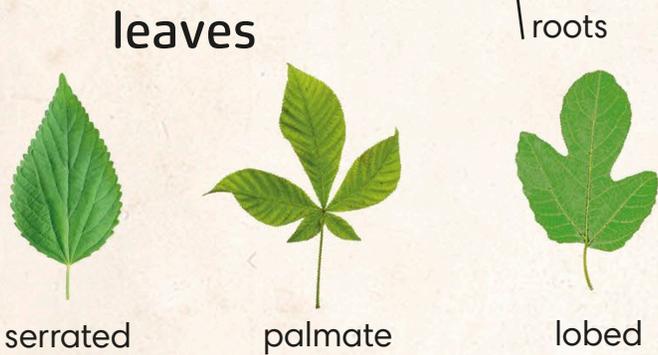
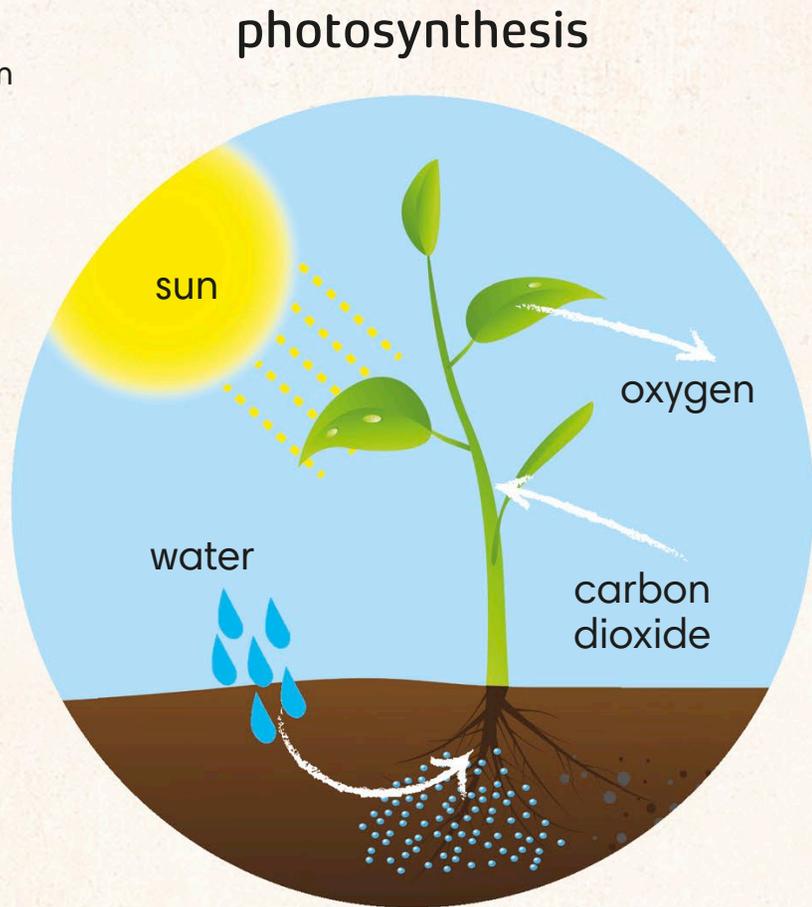
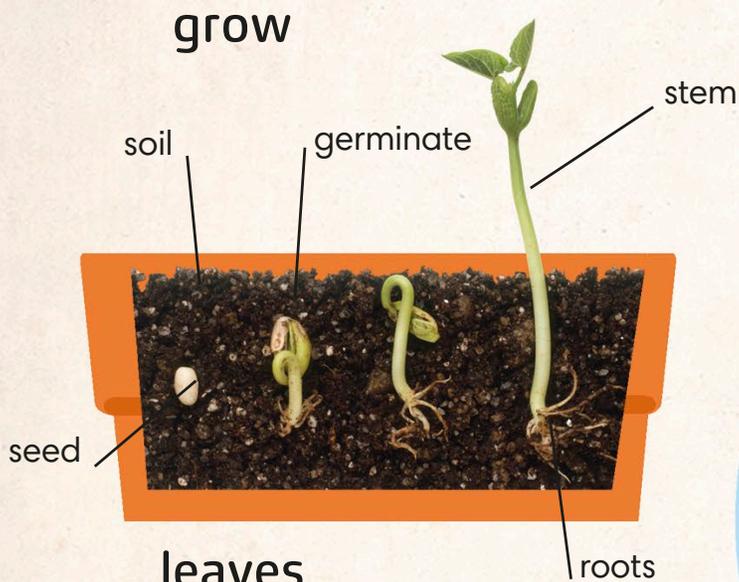
saber-toothed tiger



giant ground sloth

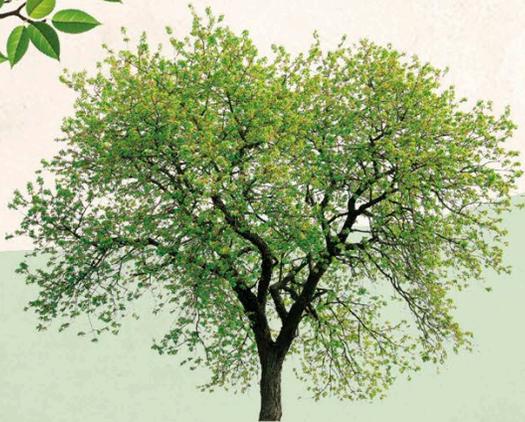
Plants

Plants are really important to our planet. They make their food from the carbon dioxide we breathe out, and they release oxygen back into the air for us to breathe in.



branch

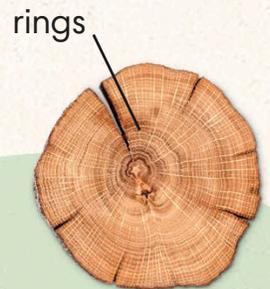
trees



deciduous



evergreen

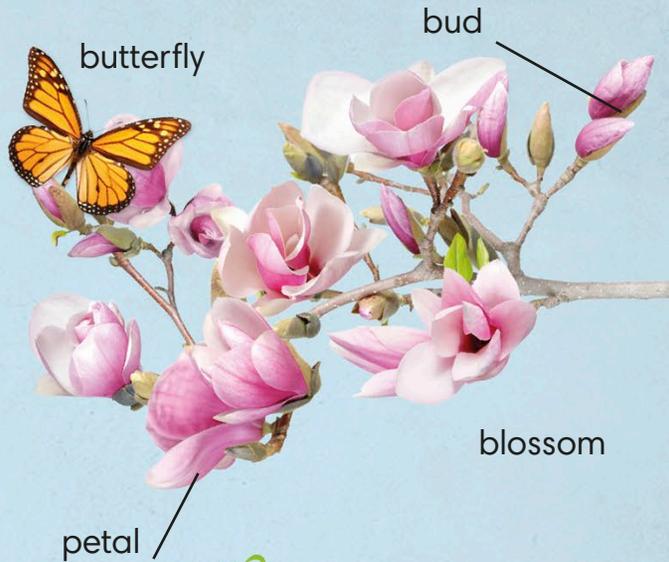
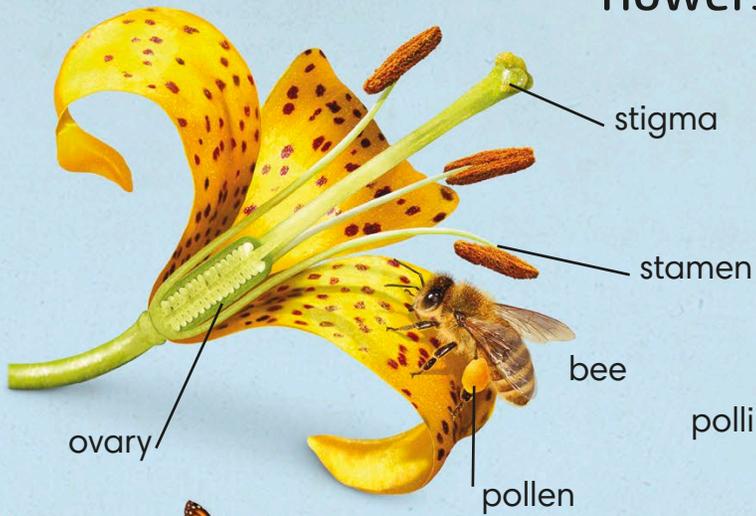


trunk



twig

flowers



plants



pinecone



soybeans



moss



climbing plant



cactus

green

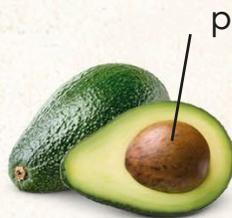
fruits



nuts



apple



avocado

pit



mango



cherries

vegetables



bulb

onion



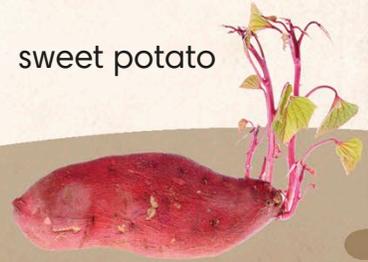
rhizome

asparagus



root vegetable

radish



tuber

sweet potato

Playground forces

It's fun to play at the park, but did you know that parks are full of science? You are using forces all the time when you play!





pull up

force of gravity

force of gravity

jungle gym

spring pushing up

bouncer

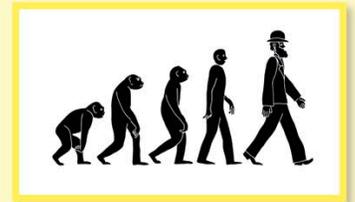
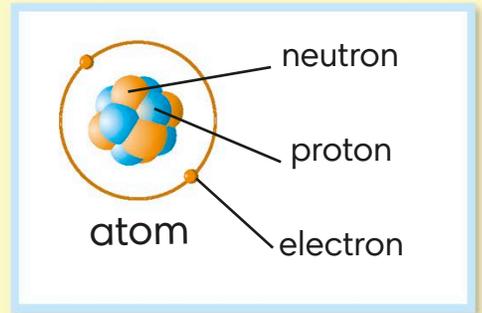
push

centripetal force

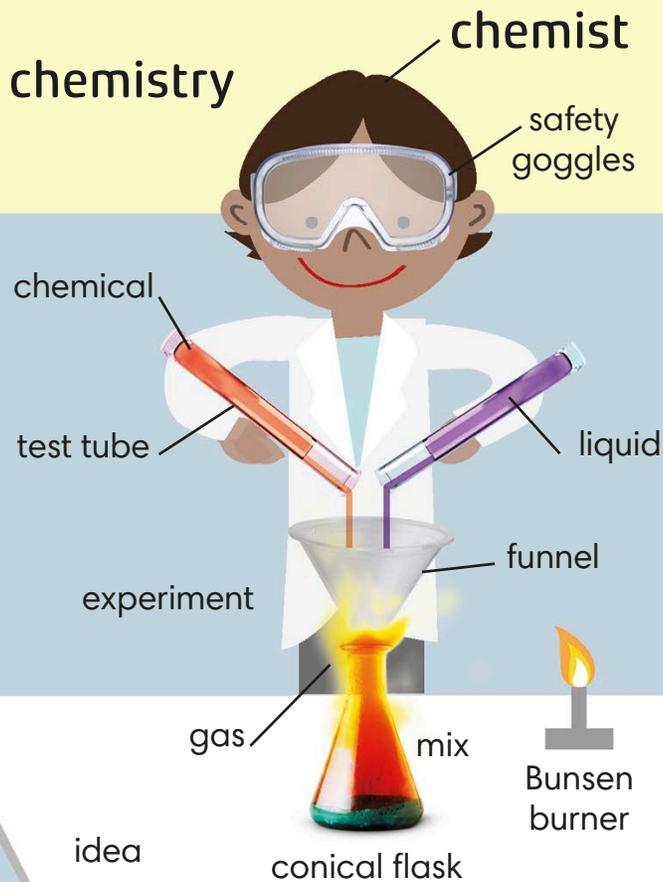
merry-go-round

Laboratory

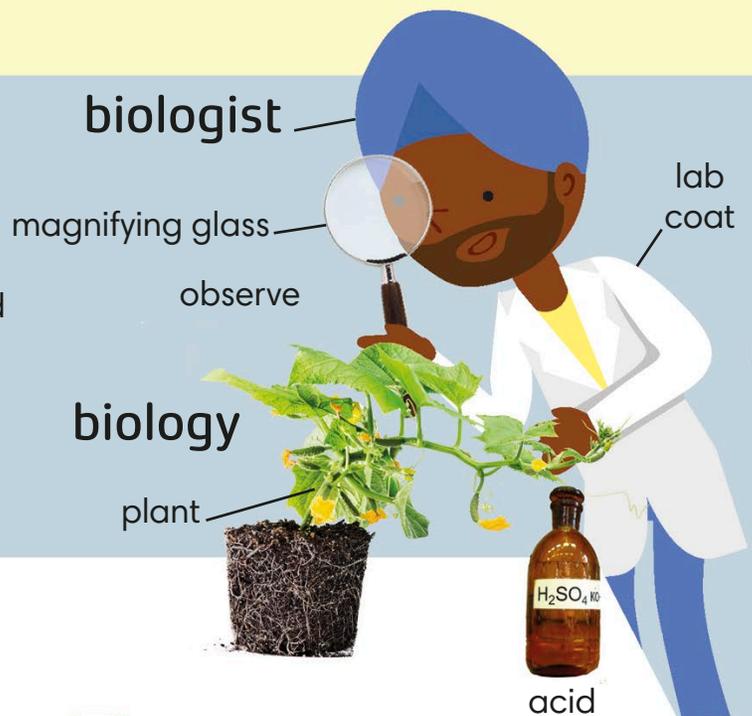
Some scientists work in a laboratory. Different scientists use different equipment. What kind of scientist would you like to be?



chemistry



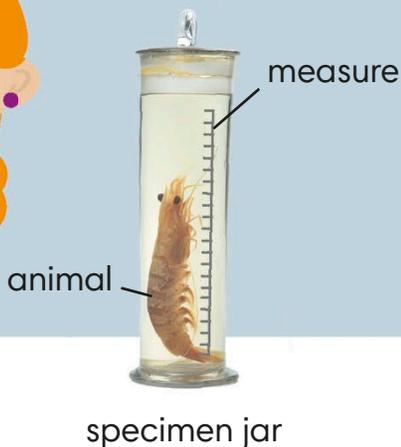
biologist



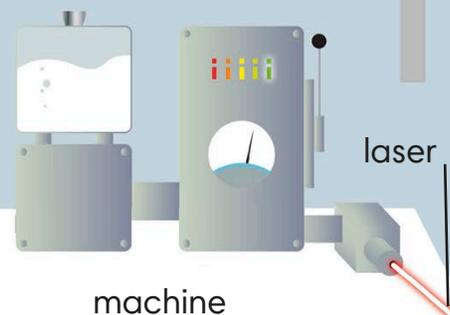
biology

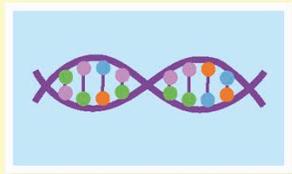


zoologist

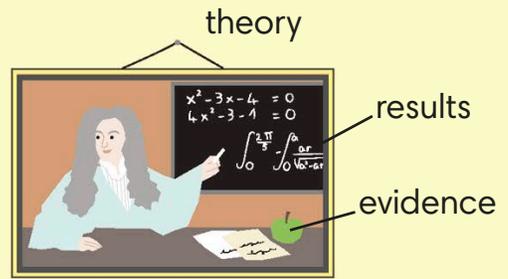


engineer





DNA



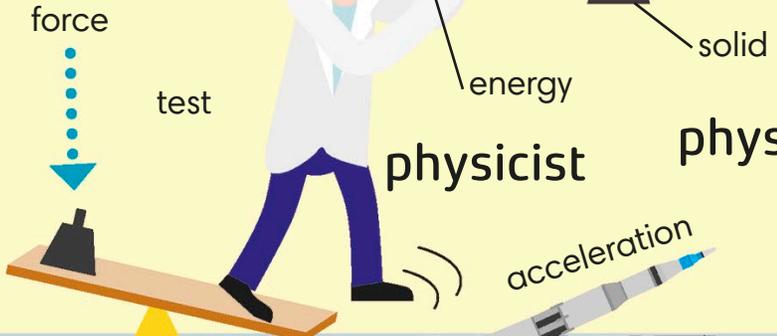
Isaac Newton

theory

results

evidence

space



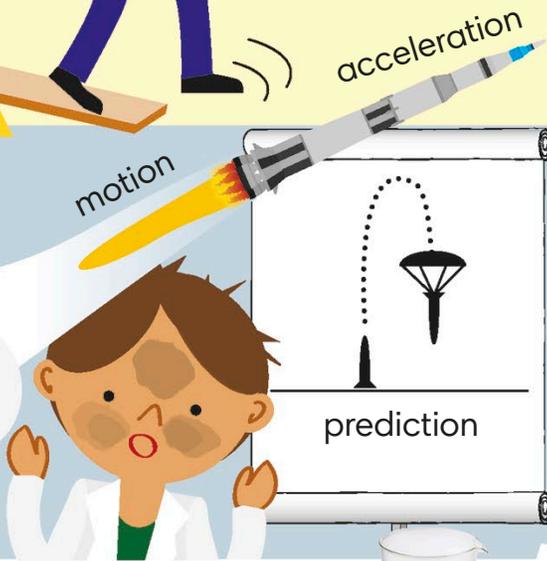
physicist

physics

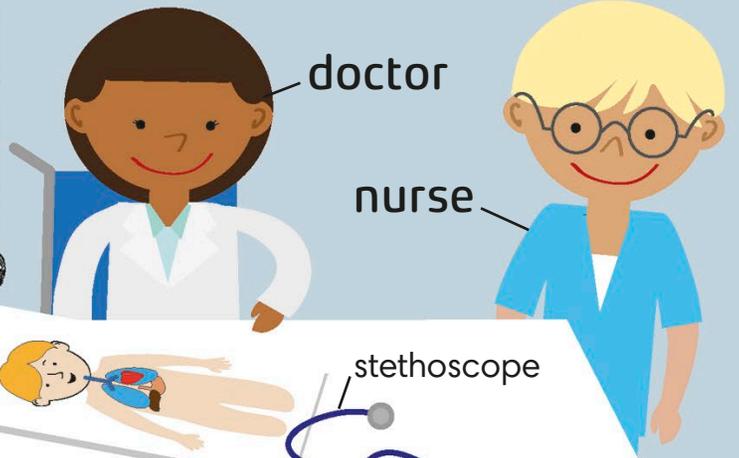


astronomer

telescope



rocket scientist



doctor

nurse

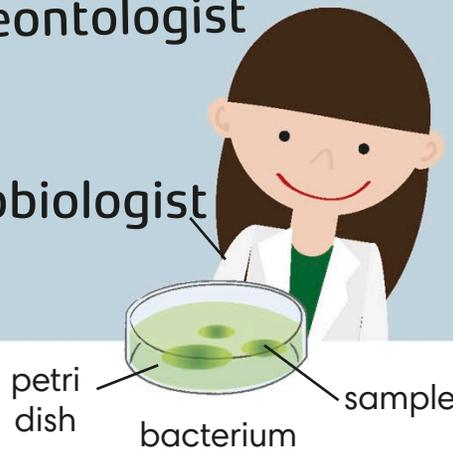
stethoscope

body



paleontologist

microbiologist



petri dish

bacterium

sample



virus

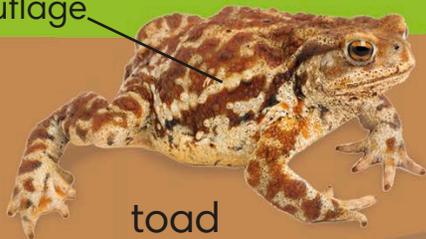
microscope

virologist

Ecosystems

An ecosystem is a group of animals and plants living in a habitat, with different relationships to each other. Let's take a dip into the pond ecosystem. The arrows show how energy flows, and who benefits from each relationship.

camouflage



toad



frog



fish eggs



frog spawn

frogs die and release nutrients to help pondweed grow

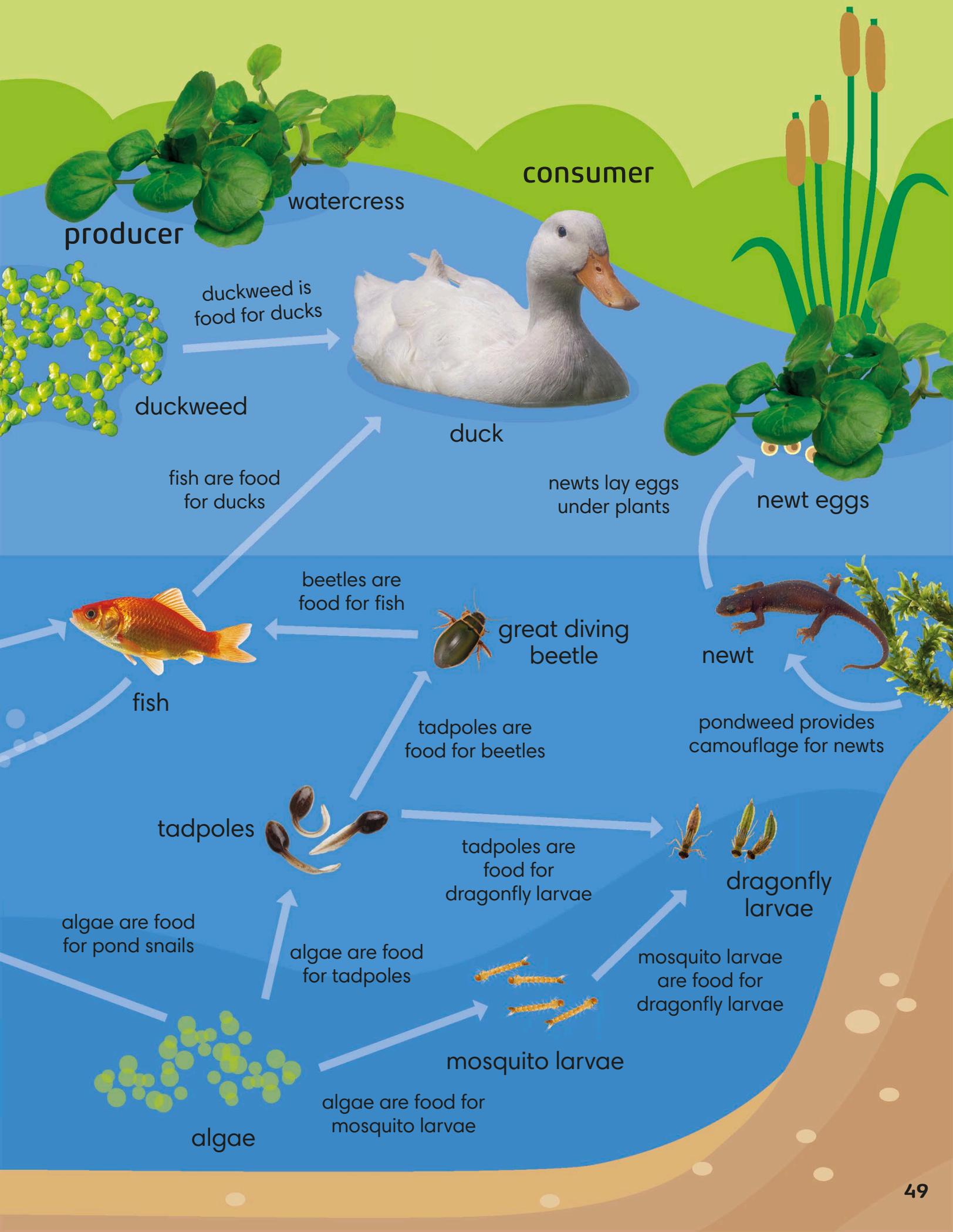
pondweed puts oxygen into water

fish give carbon dioxide to the plants

pond snail

pondweed is food for snails

pondweed



producer

watercress

consumer

duckweed is food for ducks

duckweed



duck

fish are food for ducks

newts lay eggs under plants

newt eggs

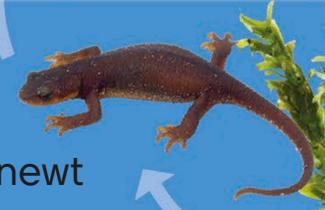


fish

beetles are food for fish



great diving beetle



newt

pondweed provides camouflage for newts

tadpoles are food for beetles



tadpoles

tadpoles are food for dragonfly larvae



dragonfly larvae

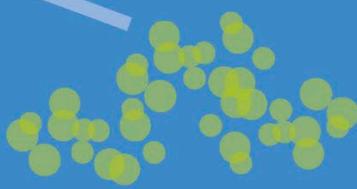
algae are food for pond snails

algae are food for tadpoles

mosquito larvae are food for dragonfly larvae



mosquito larvae

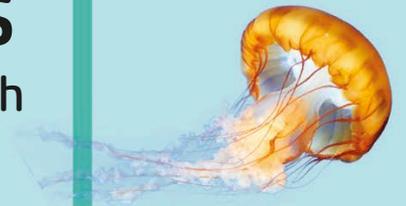


algae

algae are food for mosquito larvae

Classification of animals

Animals are classified, or grouped together, with others that have the same features. Look at all the different kinds of animals there are.



jellyfish

coelenterates

myriapods



millipede



centipede

worms



roundworm



flatworm



echinoderms



starfish



sea urchin

molluscs



octopus



mussels

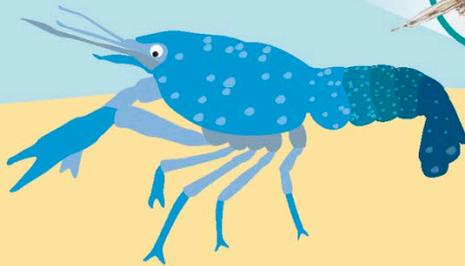


squid

crustaceans



crab



lobster



sea monkey



shrimp

arachnids



spider



scorpion

insects



beetle



fly



bee



butterfly



stick insect

invertebrates

birds



penguin



chicken

owl



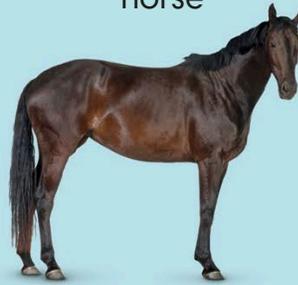
duck



mammals



human



horse



dog



polar bear



rabbit

marsupials

duck-billed platypus



kangaroo

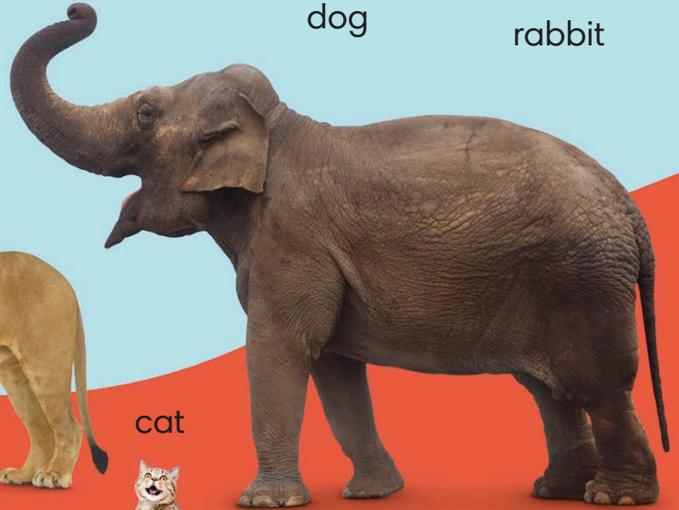


koala



lion

cat



elephant

amphibians



toad



newt

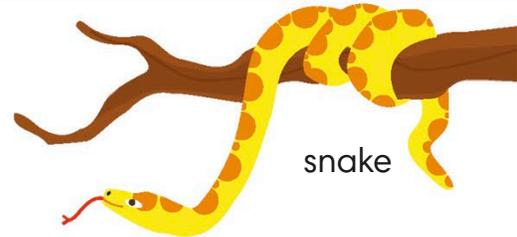


frog

reptiles



tortoise



snake



crocodile

fish



shark



clownfish

ray



tuna

vertebrates

Water

Water comes from many sources, including a tap! There is so much of it on Earth that our planet looks blue from space.



ocean

blue planet

aqueduct



lake

freshwater

reservoir

stream

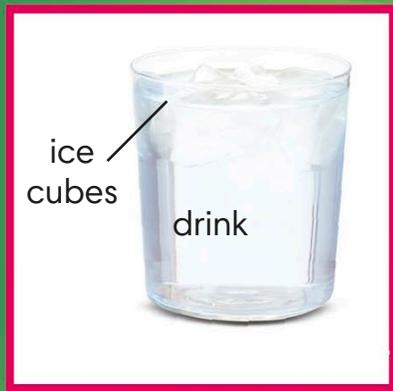
flood

river

waterwheel

well

canal



H₂O (water)

irrigation

dam

shadoof

surf

riptide

current

wave

reef



Experiments

Have you ever wanted to carry out an experiment?
Here are some things you might need.

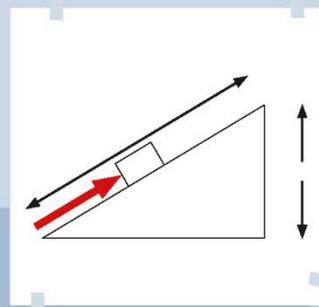
equipment



microscope



beaker



diagram

Newton meter



tweezers



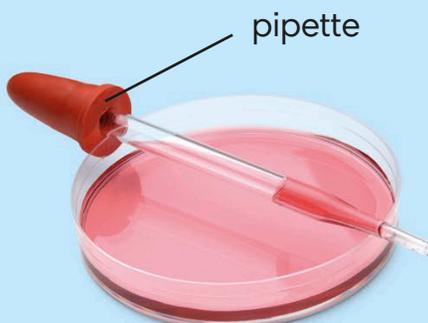
thermometer



ruler



rock sample



pipette

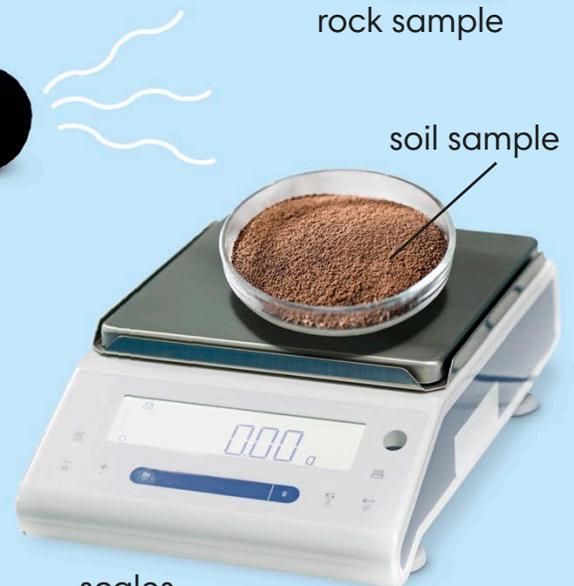
Petri dish



sound meter

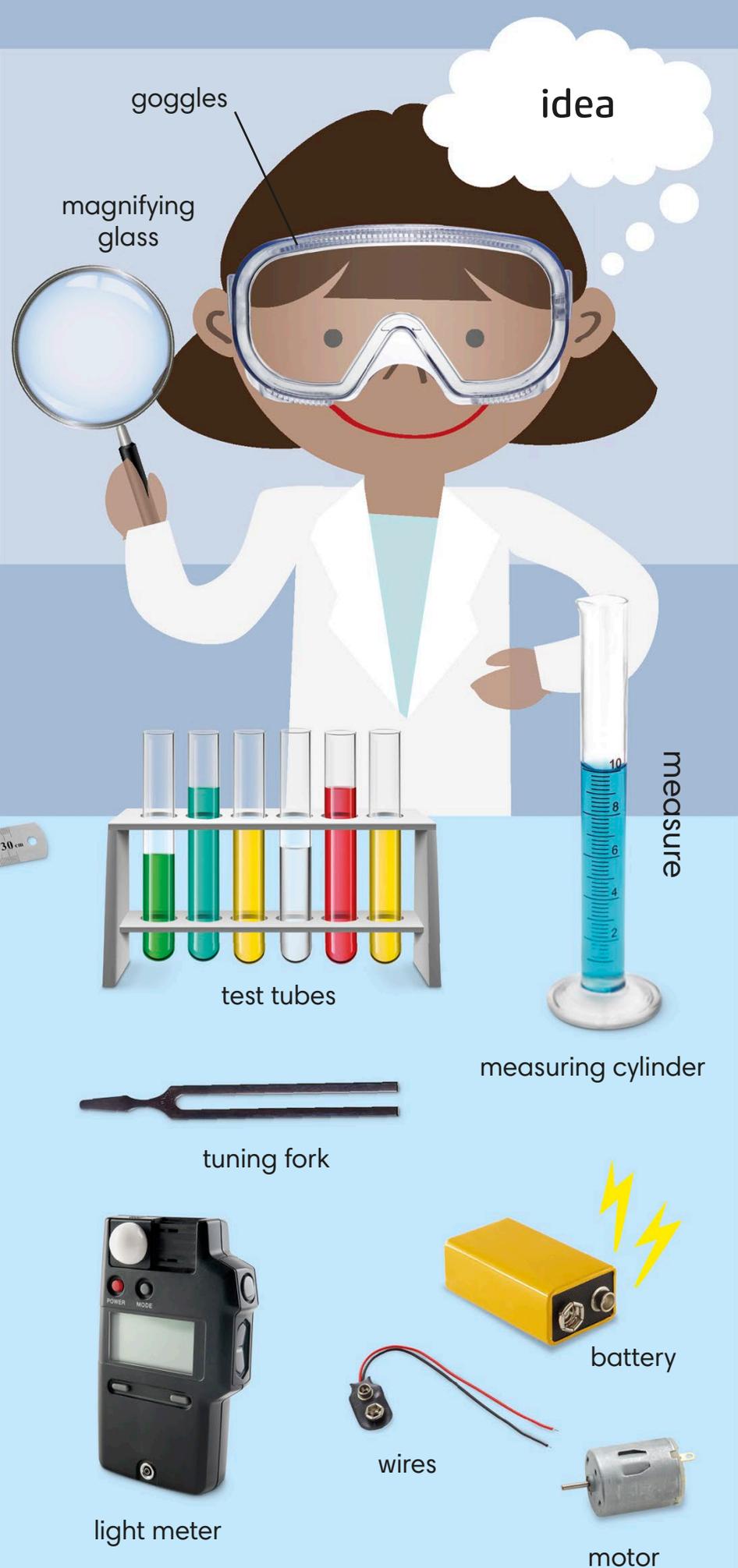


spoon



soil sample

scales



experiment

question



method



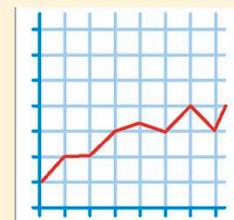
equipment



prediction



results



graph

conclusion

Mixing and cooking

When you mix ingredients together, or heat them or cool them, you might end up making something new.



microwave



mixer



solid



weighing scales



blender



oven

roasted chicken



mold

preserves

pickles



cook

burn



steam

bubble



mold



thermometer



raw



simmer

stove



boil

timer



coffee maker



fridge

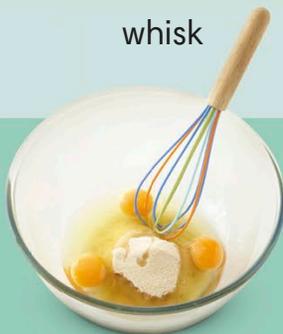


freezer

sieve



whisk



mix

combine

proof



wood-fired oven



bake

smoke

grill

charcoal



fire

heat

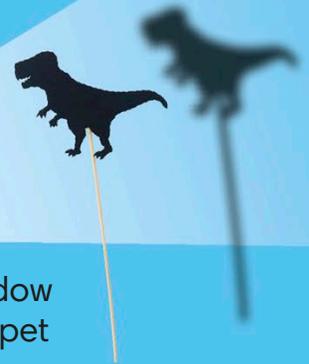


campfire

Light

We need light in order to see. Light comes from a variety of sources. The source of light we use most is the sun.

shadow



flashlight

shadow puppet

light source



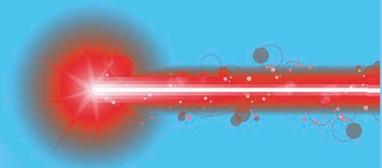
light bulb



candle



lamp



laser



screen

flame

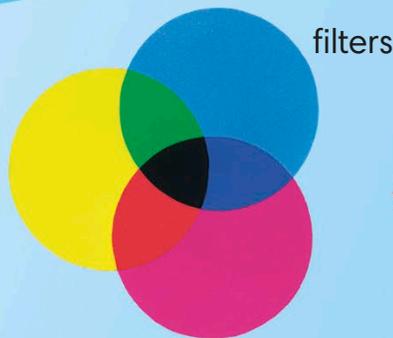


fire

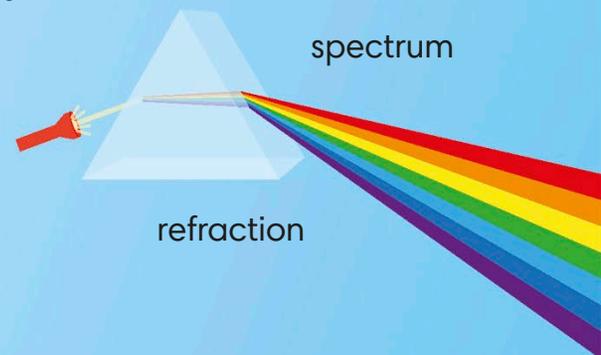


spotlight

color



filters

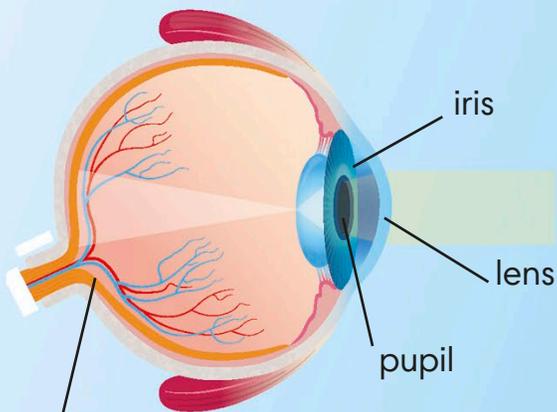


spectrum

refraction

see

eye



iris

lens

pupil

optic nerve

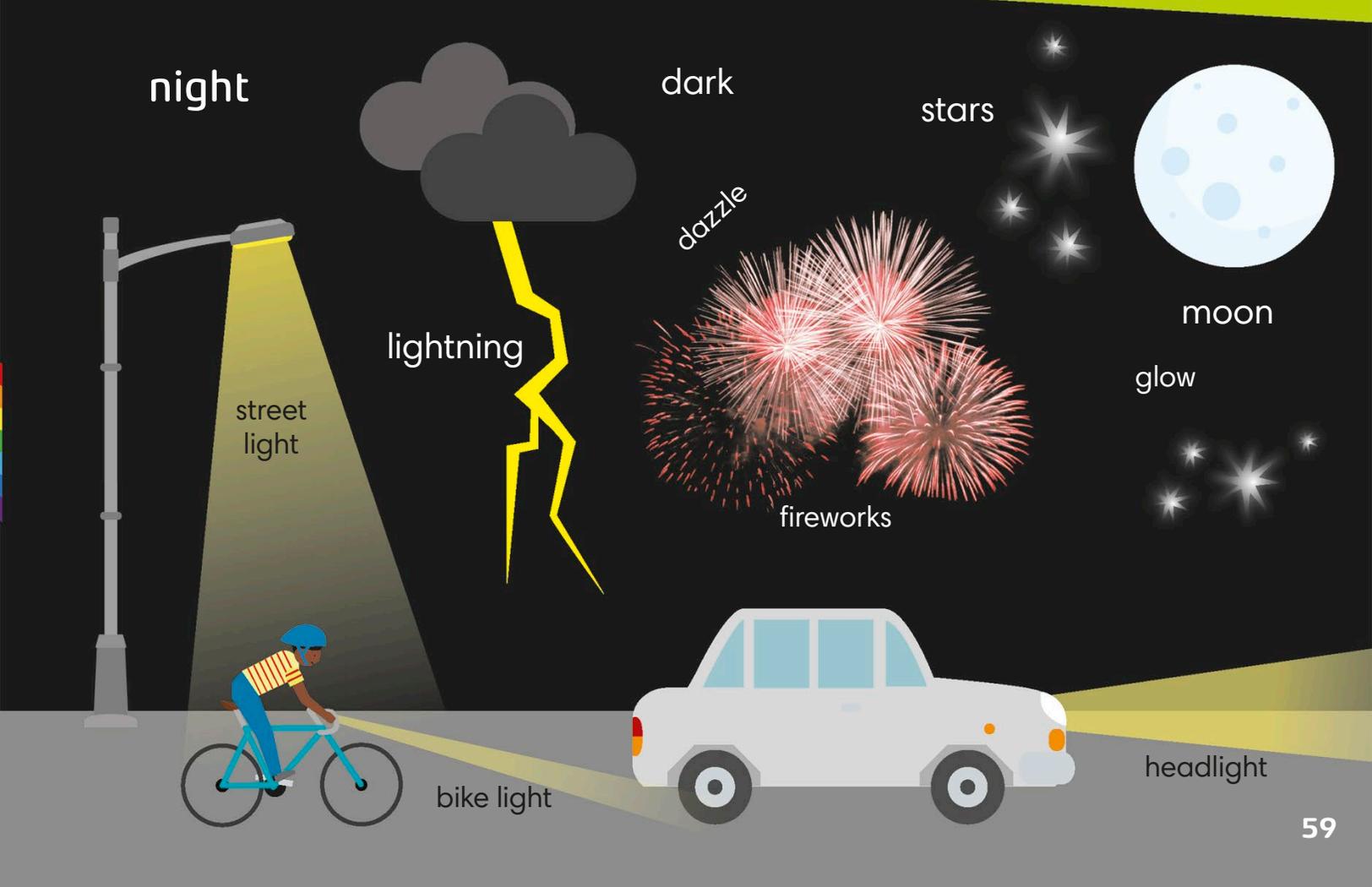
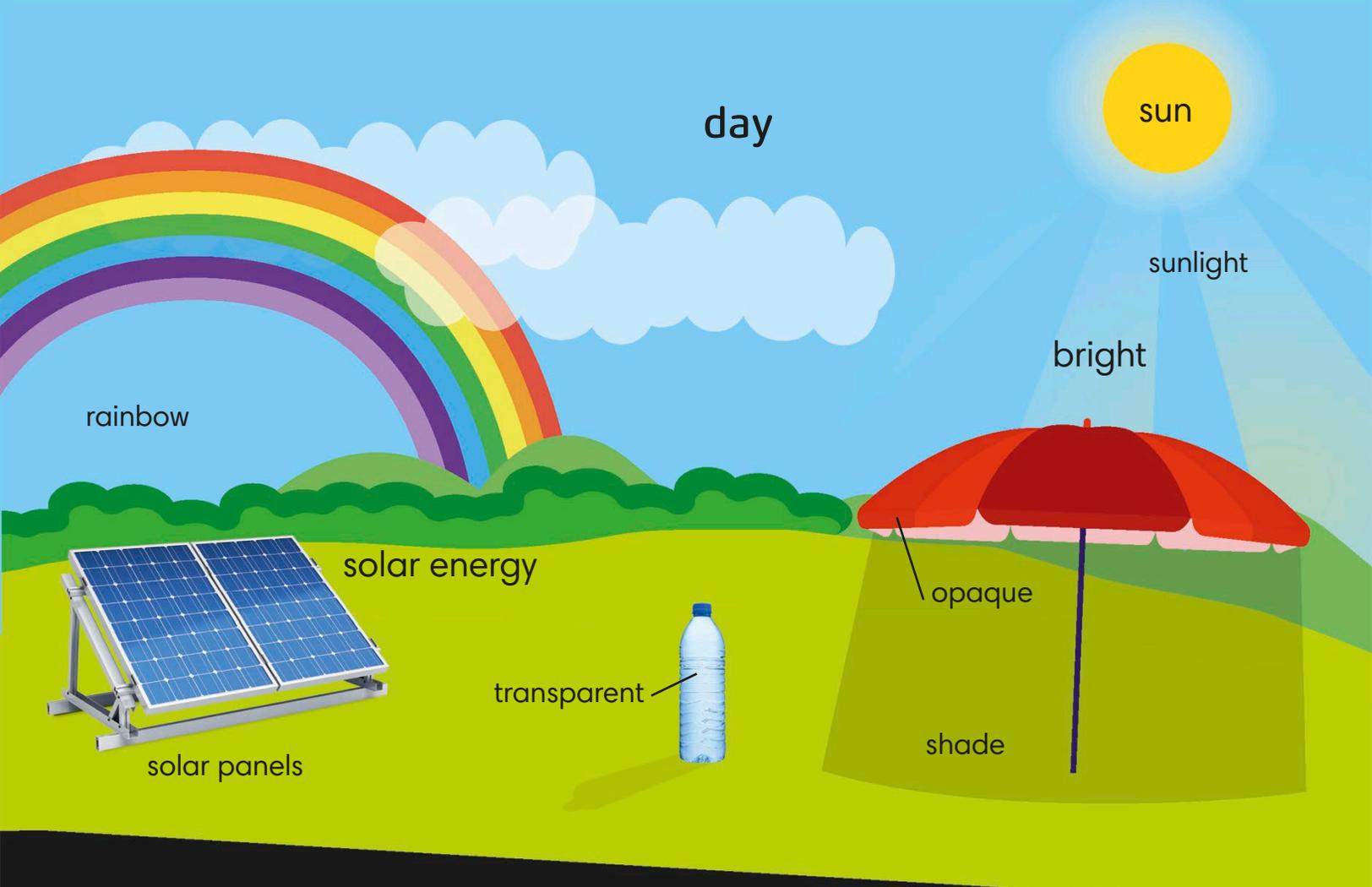
look



UV light



infrared



Sharing and grouping

Some things come in pairs or in larger groups. We may need to divide them up—one for me and one for you!



divide

split

middle

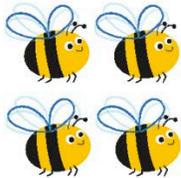
equal parts
of a half

half

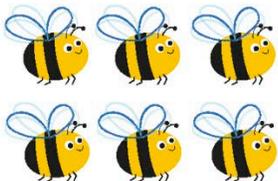
cut



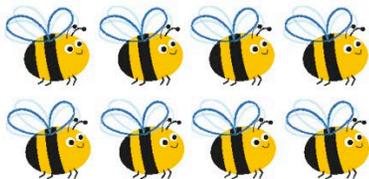
count in twos



2 sets of 2



2 sets of 3



2 sets of 4

share



equal

fair
share

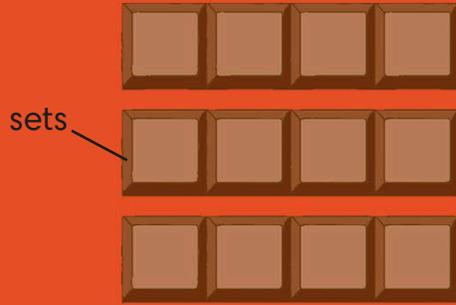
Half for you,
half for me.

multiply

$$4 \times 3 = 12$$

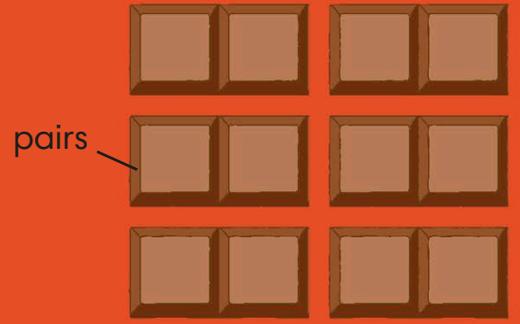


array



sets

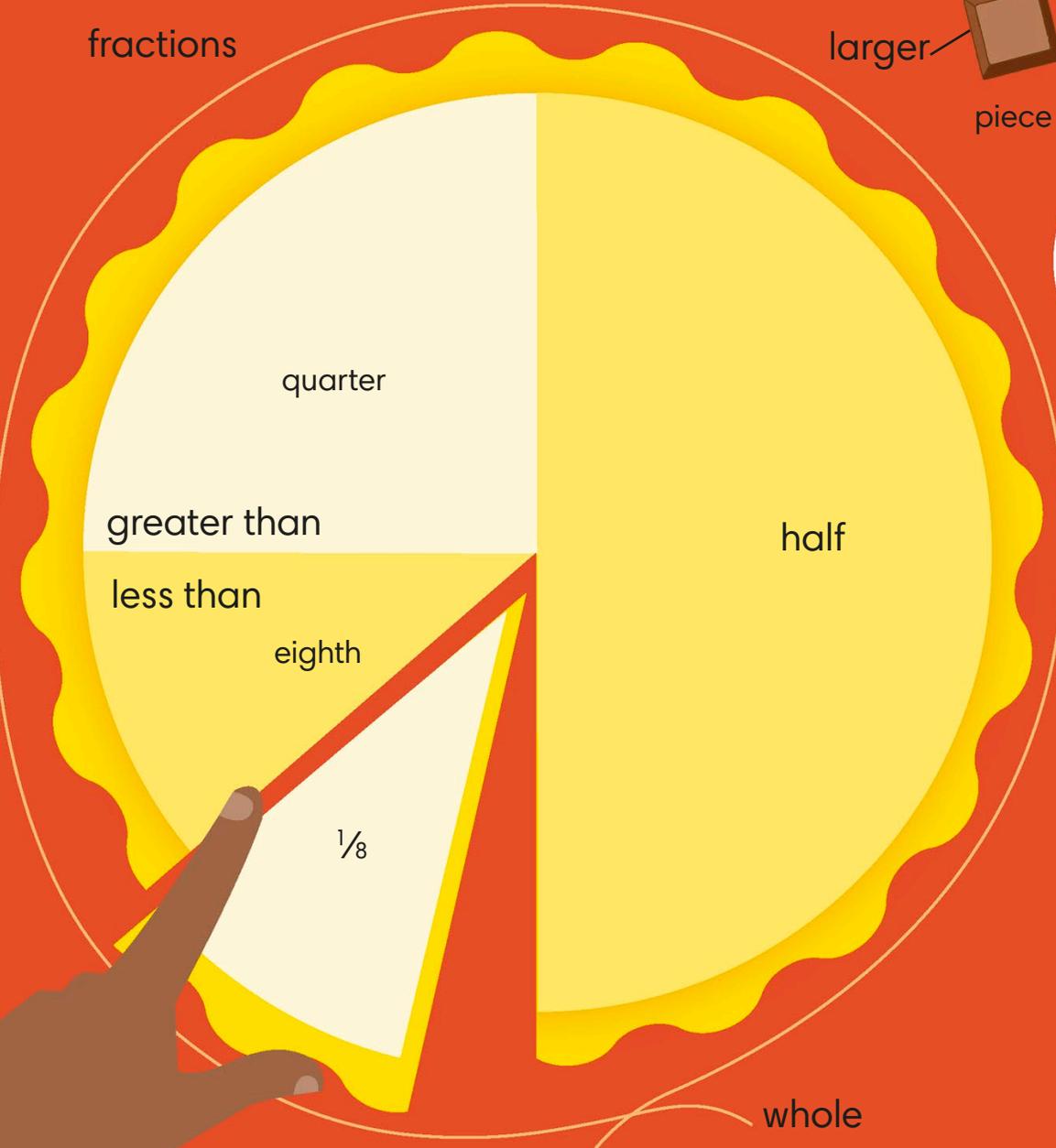
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pairs

equivalent

fractions



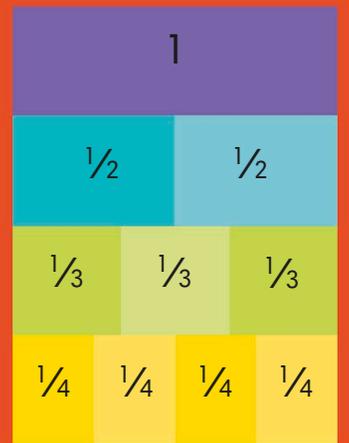
larger

smaller



pair

left over



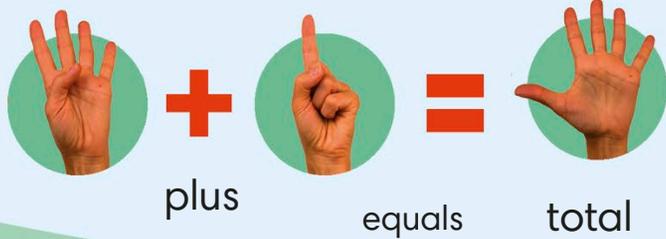
fraction wall

Adding and subtracting

How many do you have? Have some been added or taken away? We need different words to describe how the number of things changes.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
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51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
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71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

sum



pairs that make 10



combine



one more

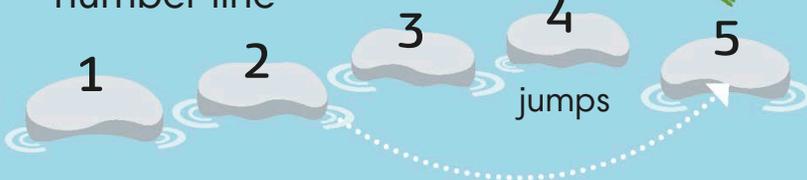


100 square

how many?



number line



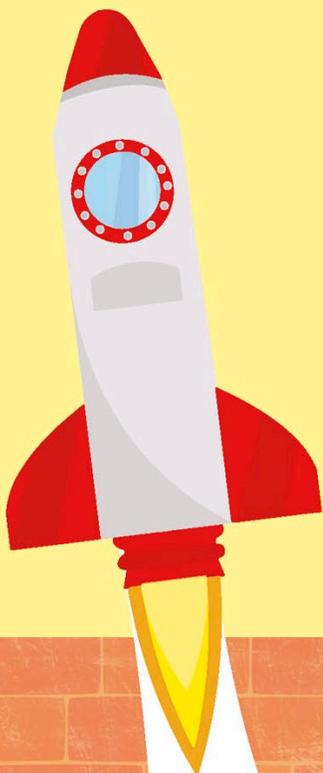
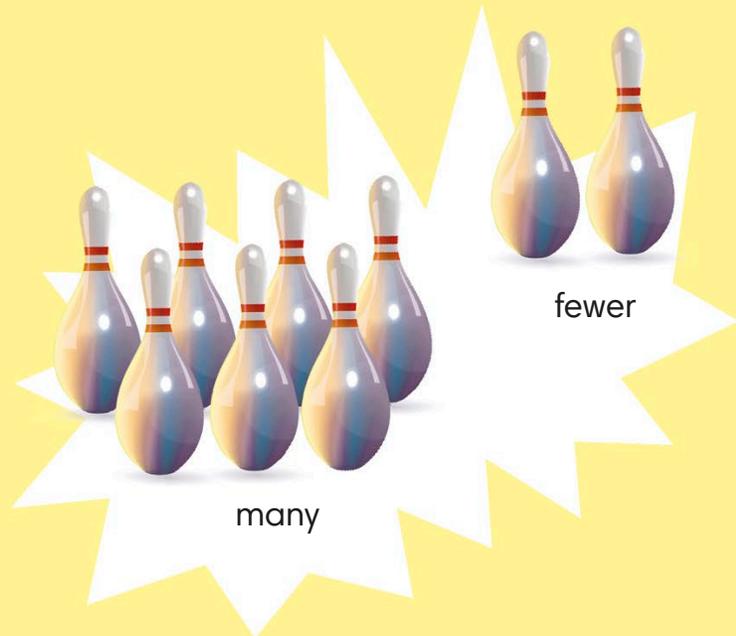
increase



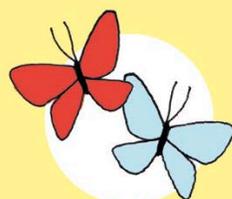
add

partition

$$12 = 10 + 2$$



blast off!



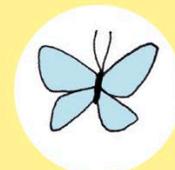
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minus



1

=



1

less



how many?

what is left?



decrease

count back

number

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

subtract

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