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# MODIFIED JOURNEY DAY EXPEDITION CHOICE BOARD

On each Journey Day, choose activities from your choice board that help you practice **Portrait of a Comet** skills.

Mark or fill in each square as you go so that you can share with your classmates!

 <p><b>Adaptability</b></p>	 <p><b>Critical Thinking</b></p>	 <p><b>Integrity</b></p>	 <p><b>Communication</b></p>	 <p><b>Empathy</b></p>
<p>Draw a picture of yourself trying something new</p>	<p>Sort the groceries and help put them away in the correct place</p>	<p>SCHOOL Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Order your own lunch or dinner at a restaurant</p>	<p>Complete a job around the house for someone who needs help</p>
<p>Listen to new music or make up a new dance to your favorite song</p>	<p>Put a new puzzle together</p>	<p>Pick up your room without being asked</p>	<p>Practice introducing yourself to family members or friends</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>
<p>Try a new food or activity</p>	<p>Help with cooking for lunch or dinner</p>	<p>Clean off the table after dinner</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Write a kind note or draw a picture to share with someone</p>
<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Complete an art project with something at home (beads, macaroni, paint, etc.)</p>	<p>Help take care of a pet or do something kind for a family member</p>	<p>Call or FaceTime a family member or a close friend</p>	<p>Get help with creating a sensory bin to use when you feel upset</p>
<p>Practice paying for groceries at the grocery store</p>	<p>Choice Activity!</p>	<p>Put away your own laundry</p>	<p>Take turns when playing a game with someone you know</p>	<p>Help someone without being asked</p>

