

Summer Reading Grade 3

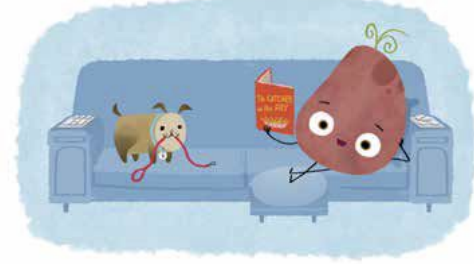


This summer, challenge yourself to read books by yourself or with someone at home!

- Try to read for at least **20 minutes** every day!
 - Read books or ebooks, listen to audiobooks, or watch read-aloud videos online.
 - Mark off every day you read on the reading log in this packet.
- Try to do one or more of the activities from the **summer reading menu** in this packet.
- Visit the Chelsea Public Library this summer to borrow books and enjoy activities!

Name: _____ School: _____

Information for Parents & Caregivers



- Over the summer students can engage in different literacy activities every day! Students should read at least 20 minutes every day to maintain their reading skills. They can read by themselves, you can read to them, or they can read to you!
- Every student will receive a Summer Reading Book that is theirs to keep. This packet includes some other suggested activities.
*Bring this packet back when school begins and we will celebrate students' wonderful work!
- Please see more information and recommendations for websites, summer reading, and summer writing at:

bit.ly/CPS-SummerReading



SCAN / ESCANEAR

Información para padres y cuidadores

- ¡Durante el verano, los estudiantes pueden participar en diferentes actividades de alfabetización todos los días! Los estudiantes deben leer por lo menos 20 minutos todos los días para mantener sus habilidades de lectura. ¡Pueden leer solos, usted puede leerles o ellos pueden leerle a usted!
- Cada estudiante recibió un Libro de Lectura de Verano que es suyo para quedarse. Este paquete incluye algunas otras actividades sugeridas. ¡Traiga este paquete cuando comience la escuela y celebraremos el maravilloso trabajo de los estudiantes!
- Consulte más información y recomendaciones para sitios web, lectura de verano y escritura de verano en:

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PLANT A SEED, RAISE A READER

JUNE 15-AUGUST 22, 2026

A SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

HOW DOES THE SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM WORK? READ EXPLORE

Build a reading habit this summer by trying to read a little bit every day. For every 5 days you read, you get a prize! Read for at least 45 days over the summer to complete the challenge and win a free book of your choice—one copy for you to keep, and one copy to be added to the library collection with a personalized book plate!

Explore your community and learn new things this summer! Complete the activities in the Summer Reading Guide for more chances to win prizes, including a grand prize of museum tickets for those who finish at least 15 activities.



Visit the library to sign up and get a Summer Reading Guide!

SUMMER HOURS

Monday-Wednesday, Friday: 9 am-5 pm
Thursday: 9 am-8 pm
Saturday: 10 am-1 pm

The library will be closed in observation of:

Juneteenth: Friday, June 19
Independence Day: Friday, July 3
Labor Day: Monday, September 7



Chelsea Public Library | Biblioteca Publica de Chelsea
569 Broadway Chelsea, MA 02150 • (617)-466-4350 • www.chelseama.gov/library/

Events

Lego Club

Tuesdays | 3:00-4:30

All Ages

Stop by our drop-in LEGO program to connect and build with others.

Gaming

Wednesdays | 3:00-4:30

Ages 5-12

Come and enjoy Nintendo Switch games on the big screen in our auditorium.

Storytime (Spanish)

Alternate Tuesdays | 10:00-10:30

Jun. 30, Jul. 14 & 28, Aug. 11 & 25

Ages 0-5

Join us for stories, songs, and fun at this weekly storytime—now in Spanish!

Craft Time

Thursdays | 3:00-4:30

All Ages

Explore new materials and make a craft with us each week.

Summer Eats

Weekdays | 11:30-1:00

Ages 0-18

The library is a summer lunch site! All children and teens can receive a free lunch every weekday, right by our front steps.

Storytime in the Park

Voke Park, 540 Washington Ave

Tuesday, June 30 | 11:00-1:00

Tuesday, August 4 | 11:00-1:00

All Ages

CPL and Chelsea Recreation team up for a special storytime with balloons and activities!

Food Explorers

Thursday, July 23

Ages 2-5 | 11:30-12:30

Ages 6-12 | 1:00-2:30

Join Food Explorers for a delicious, hands-on cooking program as children learn to make a tasty summer dessert.

Free; Registration required



Artful Mechanisms

Tuesday, July 2 | 3:00-4:30

Ages 5-12

Become a playful engineer as you learn about simple machines and make your own self-operating machine!

Mass Audubon

Friday, August 14

All Ages

Investigate meadow ecosystems up close, learn about how plants grow, and discover how they provide habitats for native wildlife.



PLANTAR UNA SEMILLA, LEE



15 DE JUNIO-22 DE AGOSTO, 2026
UN PROGRAMA DE BIBLIOTECA DE VERANO PARA TODOS
¿CÓMO FUNCIONA EL PROGRAMA DE VERANO DE LA BIBLIOTECA?

EXPLORAR

¡Desarrolla el hábito de la lectura este verano intentando leer un poco cada día! Por cada 5 días que leas, ¡recibirás un premio! Lee durante al menos 45 días a lo largo del verano para completar el desafío y ganar un libro gratuito de tu elección: un ejemplar que lo puedes dejar para tí y otro para incorporarlo a la colección de la biblioteca con un marcador de páginas personalizado.

¡Explora tu comunidad y aprende cosas nuevas este verano! Completa las actividades de la Guía de Lectura de Verano para tener más oportunidades de ganar premios, incluido un gran premio de entradas para museos para quienes completen al menos 15 actividades.

¡Pasa por la biblioteca para llevarte y apuntarte a una Guía de Lectura de Verano!



HORARIO DE VERANO

Lunes-Miércoles, Viernes: 9 am-5 pm
Jueves: 9 am-8 pm
Sábado: 10 am-1 pm

La biblioteca estará cerrada los días siguientes:

Juneteenth: Viernes, 19 de Junio
Día de la Independencia: Viernes, 13 de Julio
Día de Trabajo: Lunes, 7 de Septiembre



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Eventos

Club de Lego

Martes | 3:00-4:30

Todas las edades

Ven a nuestro programa de LEGO sin cita previa para conectar y construir con otros.

Hora de Cuentos (Español)

Martes Alternos | 10:00-10:30

Jun. 30, Jul. 14 & 28, Ago. 11 & 25

Edades 0-5

¡Los invitamos a cuentos, canciones y diversión en esta hora del cuento semanal, ahora en español!

Hora de Cuentos (Inglés)

Miércoles | 10:00-10:30

Sabados | 11:00-11:30

Edades 0-5

¡Los invitamos a cuentos, canciones y diversión en esta hora del cuento semanal!

Hora de Cuentos en el Parque

Parque Voke, 540 Washington Ave

Martes, 30 de Junio | 11:00-1:00

Martes, 4 de August | 11:00-1:00

Todas las edades

¡CPL y Chelsea Recreation se unen para una hora del cuento especial con globos y actividades!



Mecanismos Ingeniosos

Martes, 2 de Julio | 3:00-4:30

Edades 5-12

¡Convértete en un ingeniero jugando mientras aprendes sobre máquinas simples y construyes tu propia máquina de funcionamiento autónomo!

Juegos

Miércoles | 3:00-4:30

Edades 5-12

Disfruten los juegos de Nintendo Switch en la pantalla grande de nuestro auditorio.

Hora de Artesanía

Jueves | 3:00-4:30

Todas las edades

Descubran nuevos materiales y creen una manualidad con nosotros cada semana.

Programa de Alimentos de Verano

Días laborables | 11:30-1:00

Edades 0-18

¡La biblioteca es un sitio de almuerzo de verano! Todos los niños y adolescentes pueden recibir un almuerzo gratis justo al lado de nuestras escaleras.



Exploradores Gastronómicos

Jueves, 23 de Julio

Edades 2-5 | 11:30-12:30

Edades 6-12 | 1:00-2:30

Únete a Food Explorers para un delicioso programa de cocina práctico, en el que los niños aprenderán a preparar un sabroso postre de verano.

Gratis, se requiere registro

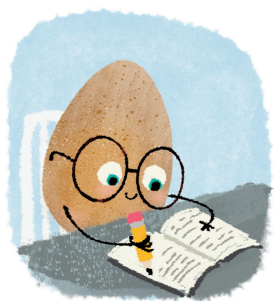
Mass Audubon

Viernes, 14 de Agosto

Todas las edades

Investiga de cerca los ecosistemas de pradera, aprende cómo crecen las plantas y descubre cómo proporcionan hábitats para la vida silvestre nativa.





Summer Reading Menu

Check off or color each challenge you complete!

Write a **character sketch** paragraph about a character from a book you read this summer.

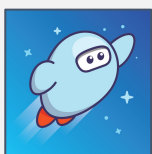
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Read a **nonfiction** book or article about a topic you are interested in.

Read a book **outside!**



Read an ebook or audiobook on the **Sora** app.



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Read a book about **nature**.



Take a Newsela Virtual Vacation!



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Visit the **Chelsea Public Library** and borrow a book to read.

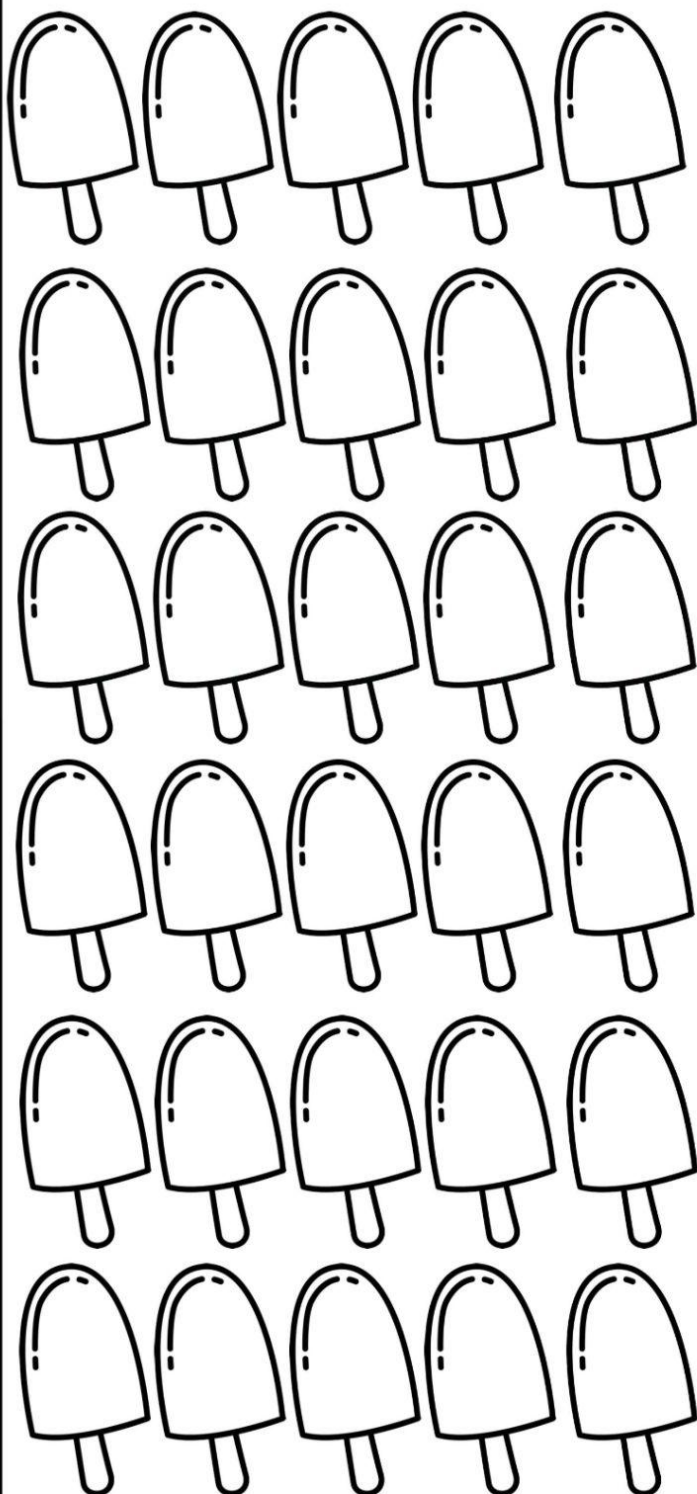
Read a book about characters who are **friends**.



Write for a few minutes each day - use the writing prompt calendars in this packet for inspiration!

JULY SUMMER READING

Color in one popsicle for each day you
read 20 minutes or more.



AUGUST SUMMER READING

Color in one ice cream cone for each
day you read 20 minutes or more.



Getting started with **Sora**



With Sora, students can get free ebooks and audiobooks from our school library.

Con Sora, los estudiantes pueden obtener libros electrónicos y audiolibros gratuitos de nuestra biblioteca escolar.

1

Install the **Sora app** from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or go to soraapp.com.

Instale la aplicación Sora desde Apple App Store o Google Play Store, o visite soraapp.com.

2

Open Sora, find **Chelsea Public Schools**, then sign in with your school Google account.

Abre Sora, busca las Escuelas Públicas de Chelsea y luego inicia sesión con la cuenta de Google de tu escuela.

Username: _____@chelseaschools.com / Password: _____



SCAN ME

3

Browse the **Explore** tab and borrow a book. Your book will open so you can start reading right away.

Explora la pestaña Explorar y pide prestado un libro. Se abrirá para que puedas empezar a leer de inmediato.

4

Close the book and go to your **Shelf** to see all your books. You can borrow up to 3 books on Sora at a time!

Cierra el libro y ve a tu estantería para ver todos tus libros. ¡Puedes pedir prestados hasta 3 libros en Sora a la vez!

Character Sketch

Create a character sketch of a main character in the book you read.

1. Create a list of 5 things that are important to know about the character.
2. Turn the list into an "Important Things" paragraph below.
3. On the next page, draw a "character sketch" of the character and add labels/captions based on your list.

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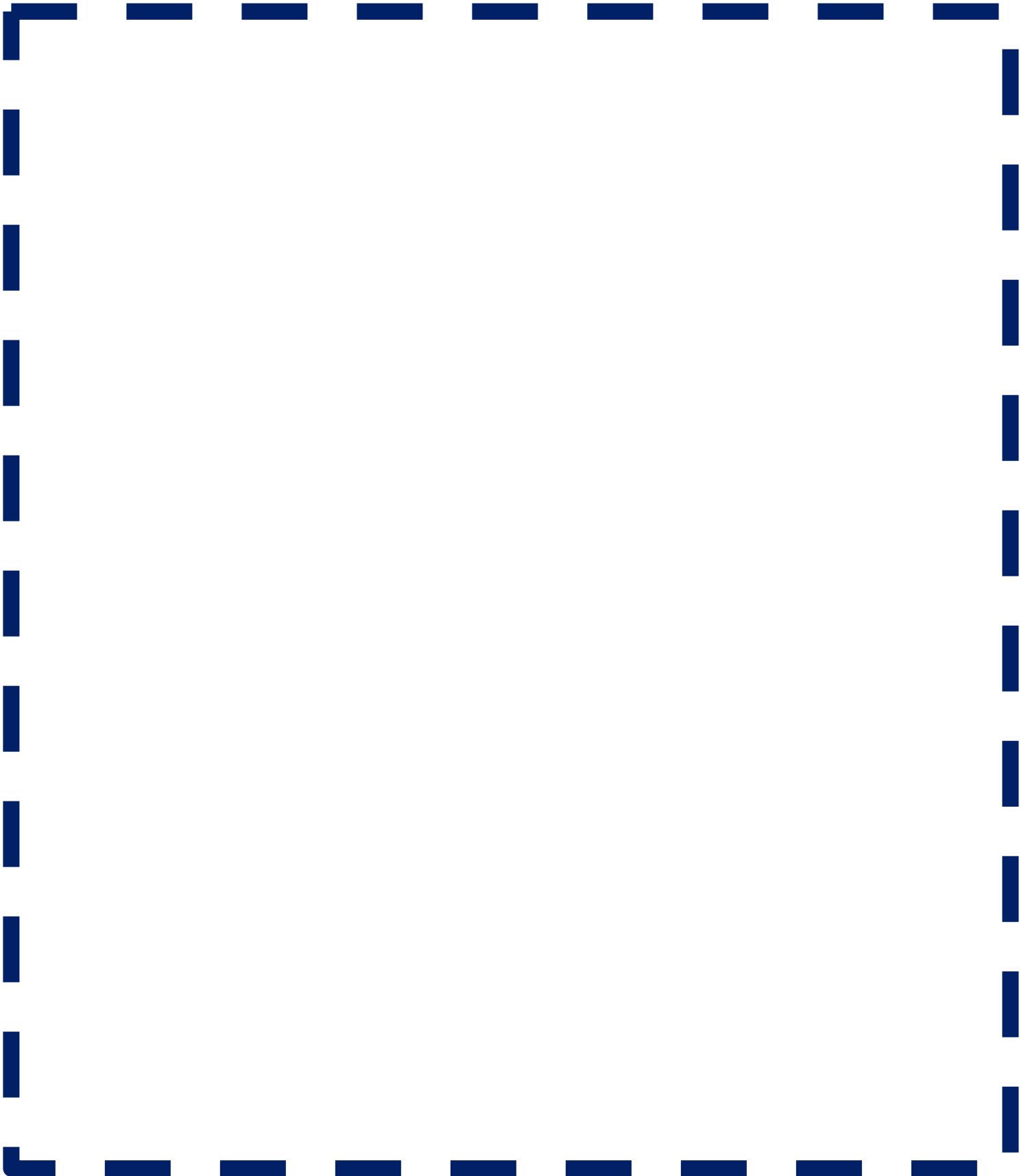
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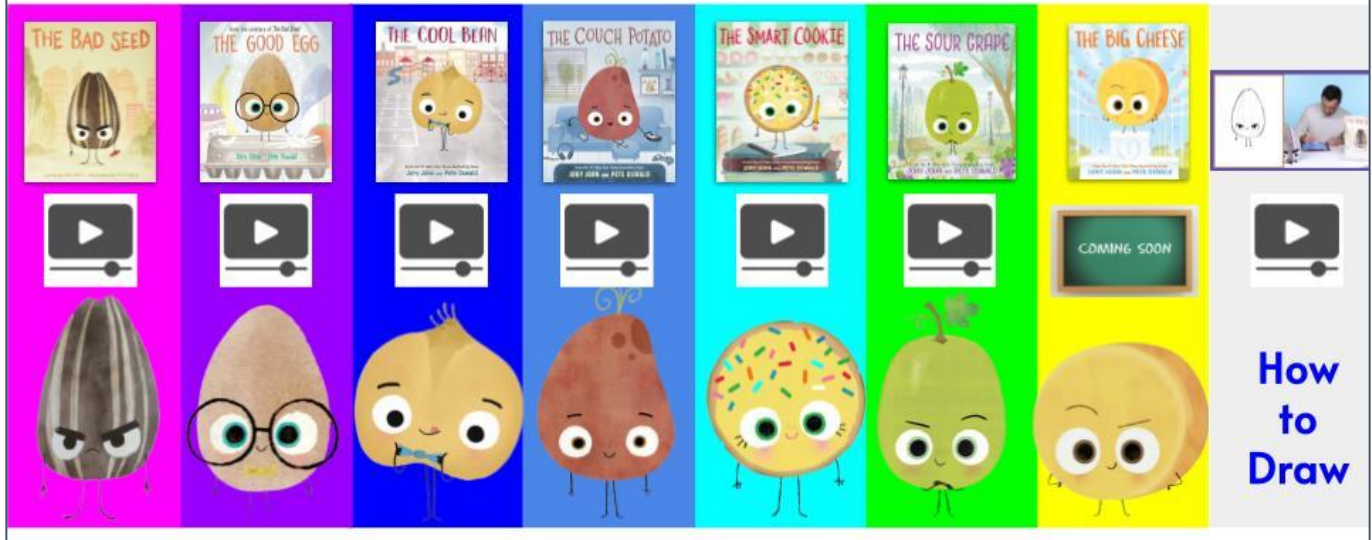
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Character Sketch: _____

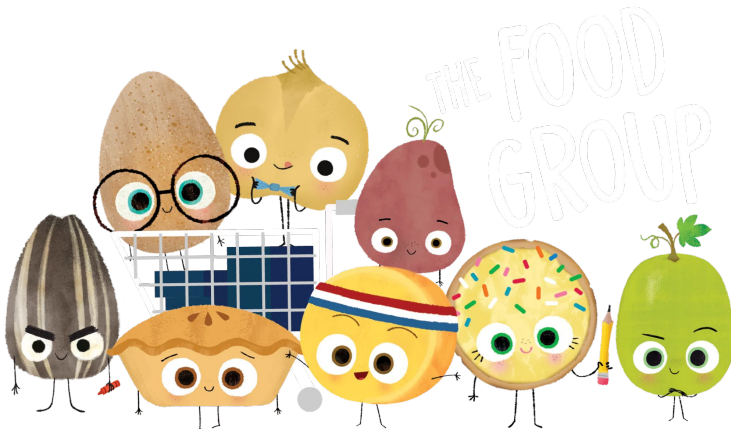
A large rectangular area defined by a dashed blue border, intended for drawing a character sketch. The border is composed of short, thick blue dashes. The interior of the rectangle is white and empty, providing space for a drawing.

THE FOOD GROUP SERIES

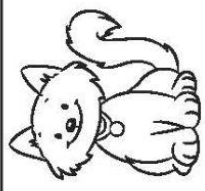
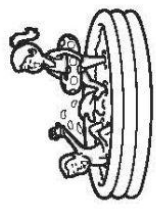
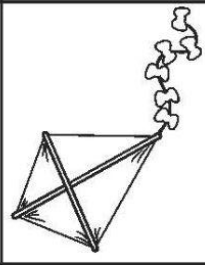
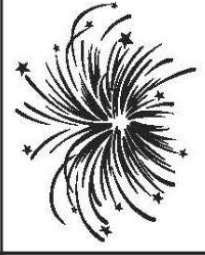
Click below to listen to a read aloud of each book!



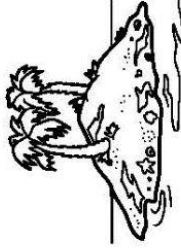
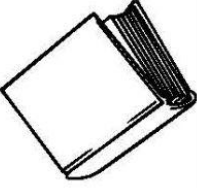
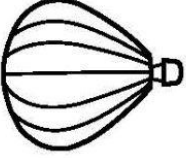
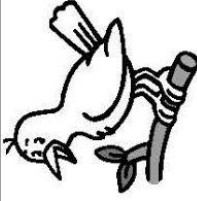
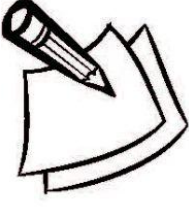
Scan the QR code to view Mrs. Hubert's *Food Group* slides with video read alouds!



July Writing Prompts

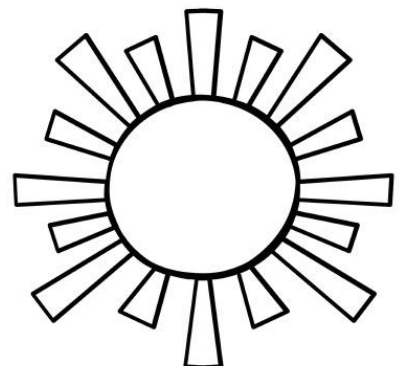
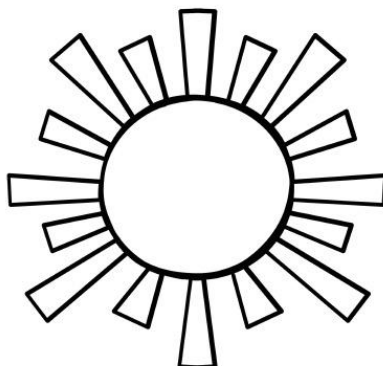
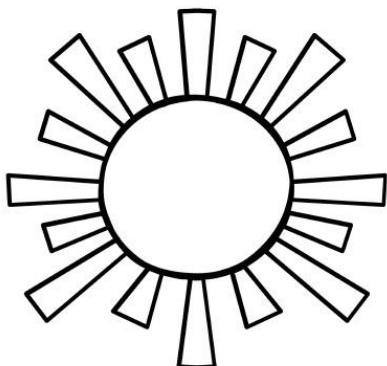
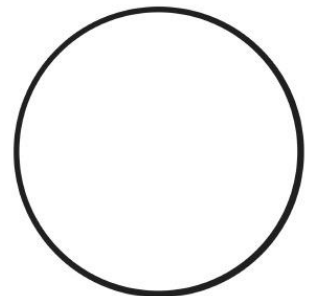
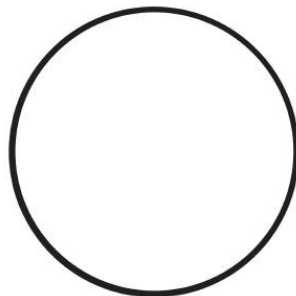
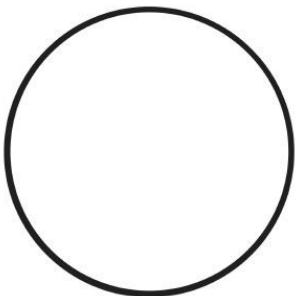
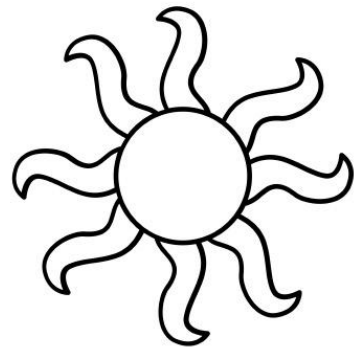
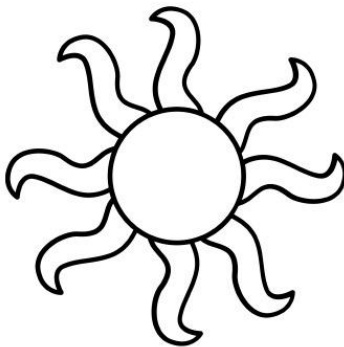
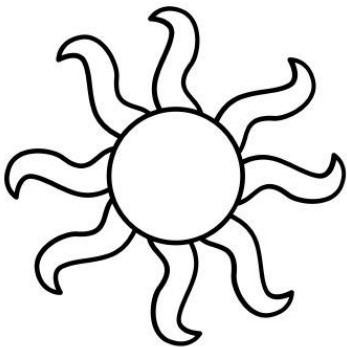
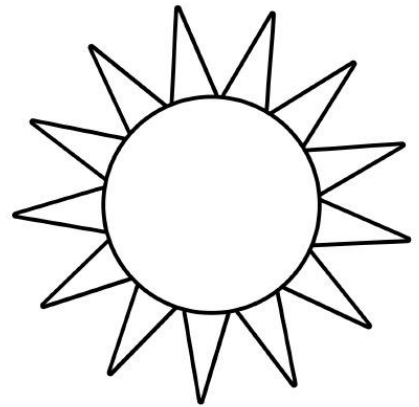
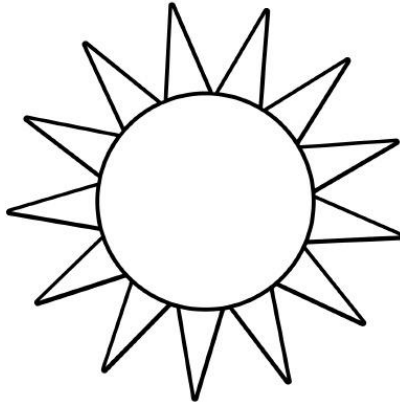
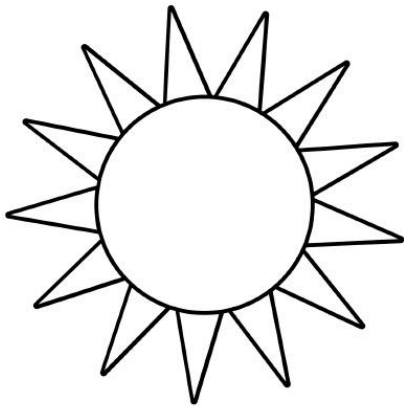
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Today is the halfway point of the year! What was your favorite day of 2026 so far? What happened?	2 Write a funny story about a dog that sits at the dinner table for meals.	3 This summer, I am going to learn how to...	4 Explain what the 4th of July means to you.
5 If I could invent a new flavor of ice cream, it would be...	6 If you could have any animal for a pet, what would it be and why?	7 Name one thing you like about yourself. Why do you like it?	8 You're going on a road trip! What do you bring?	9 Design your own treehouse. What will it look like, and what will you put in it?	10 This summer, I hope I am lucky enough to...	11 You've just won the talent show! What did you do to win?
12 If you were a teacher, which subject would you teach? Why?	13 Write about your favorite outdoor summer activity.	14 If cats could talk, they would say...	15 Write about a food you have never eaten but really want to try. Why do you want to try it?	16 Which would you rather be—super-strong or super-fast? Why?	17 Design your perfect birthday party.	18 Describe something you're really good at.
19 The three things I appreciate most about my family are...	20 If I had wings like a hummingbird, I would fly to...	21 Imagine you have a pet monkey! What do you do with it?	22 You find shoes that turn you into a giant! What will you do?	23 How do you feel about surprises?	24 Imagine you're an animal at the zoo. Write about the day you escape!	25 Write a different ending to your favorite book.
26 What is something you do that makes people laugh?	27 Someone who can always make me laugh when I'm sad is _____ because...	28 Write a poem about a sunny day.	29 Explain how to fly a kite to someone who has never done it before.	30 If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?	31 I laughed so hard when...	
						

August Writing Prompts

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 2 What is your favorite physical activity? Why?	3 Imagine running into someone famous. Write out your conversation.	 4 Imagine going for a ride in a hot air balloon. What do you see as you look down?	5 Write a letter to a pen pal describing your town.	 6 Describe the colors in the sky at sunset.	7 Write a funny story about a family who is taking a road trip across America.	1 If you were a crayon, what color would you be? Why?
9 When I am sad, one thing that always makes me feel better is...	10 Create a symbol that represents your family. What does it mean?	11 Describe something in your life that makes you happy.	12 What is your favorite type of music? Why?	13 If you were a tour guide for your city, where would you take visitors? Why?	14 You're in charge of a garden. What do you plant there, and how will you take care of it?	15 What do you like best about your friends?
16 My favorite way to cool down during summer is...	17 Write a funny story titled "The Day I Joined the Circus."	18 Let's go to the beach! What foods do you bring? What games will you play?	19 Pretend you have the power to create your own holiday. Explain why it would be celebrated.	20 Write a poem about the last person who smiled at you.	21 Make a checklist of the things you will do to get ready for school.	22 If I were locked in my favorite restaurant overnight, I would...
23 Create a family tree that includes drawings and descriptions of family members.	24 Pretend you are a pair of sunglasses. Write about your day in the sun.	25 Would you rather be as big as an ostrich or as small as a hummingbird?	26 Write a story about your two favorite superheroes.	27 Write a fictional story from a ladybug's point of view.	28 Once upon a time...	29 Describe how to get from your school to your home.
30 Write about a time someone gave you good advice.	31 Write about the best dream you ever had.					

12 Suns Challenge

Directions: What can you make out of a sun? \n turn as many suns as possible into objects.



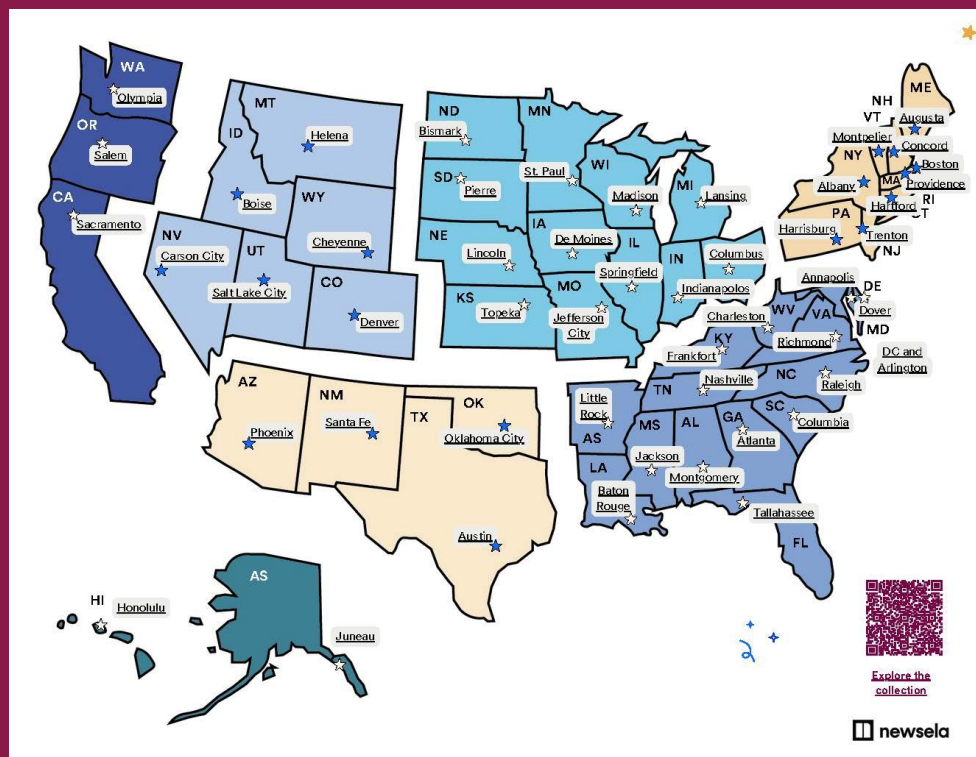


Explore Newsela's Virtual Vacations

[Explore the collection](#)

Take a virtual vacation to one of the 50 state capitals or Washington, D.C. Use a curated Google Map to visit historic landmarks and explore articles, videos, and other resources to teach students more about key moments in our country's history.

****Log into Newsela with Clever**





Step 1: Explore

Find a place on the maps (see below).

Step 2: Choose

Click on the capital of your choice.

Step 3: Learn

Read/listen to related articles.

Step 4: Extend

Try writing prompts and quizzes!

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ARTICLE

Indiana: The Hoosier State



ARTICLE

Indigenous people and the Underground Railroad



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Time Machine (1845): The Oregon Trail

What the Text Says

Point of View and Purpose

07/24/2016

Assign



ARTICLE

Washington: The Evergreen State

Main Idea, Key Details, & Summarization

Text Structure

07/24/2017

Assign



ARTICLE

Deep-draft ports of Washington

Connecting People, Events, & Ideas

Text Structure

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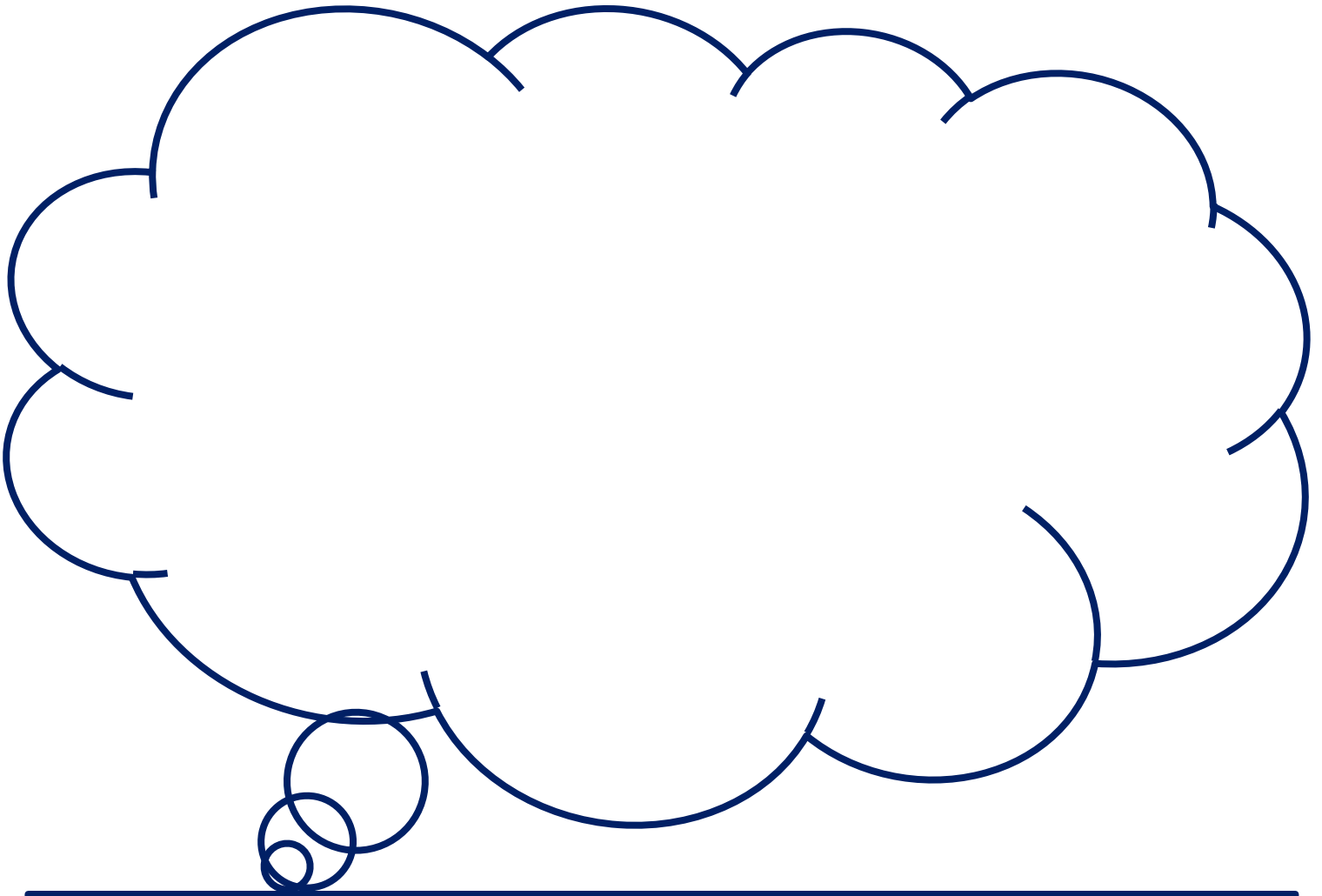
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Create Assignment



Imagination Challenge

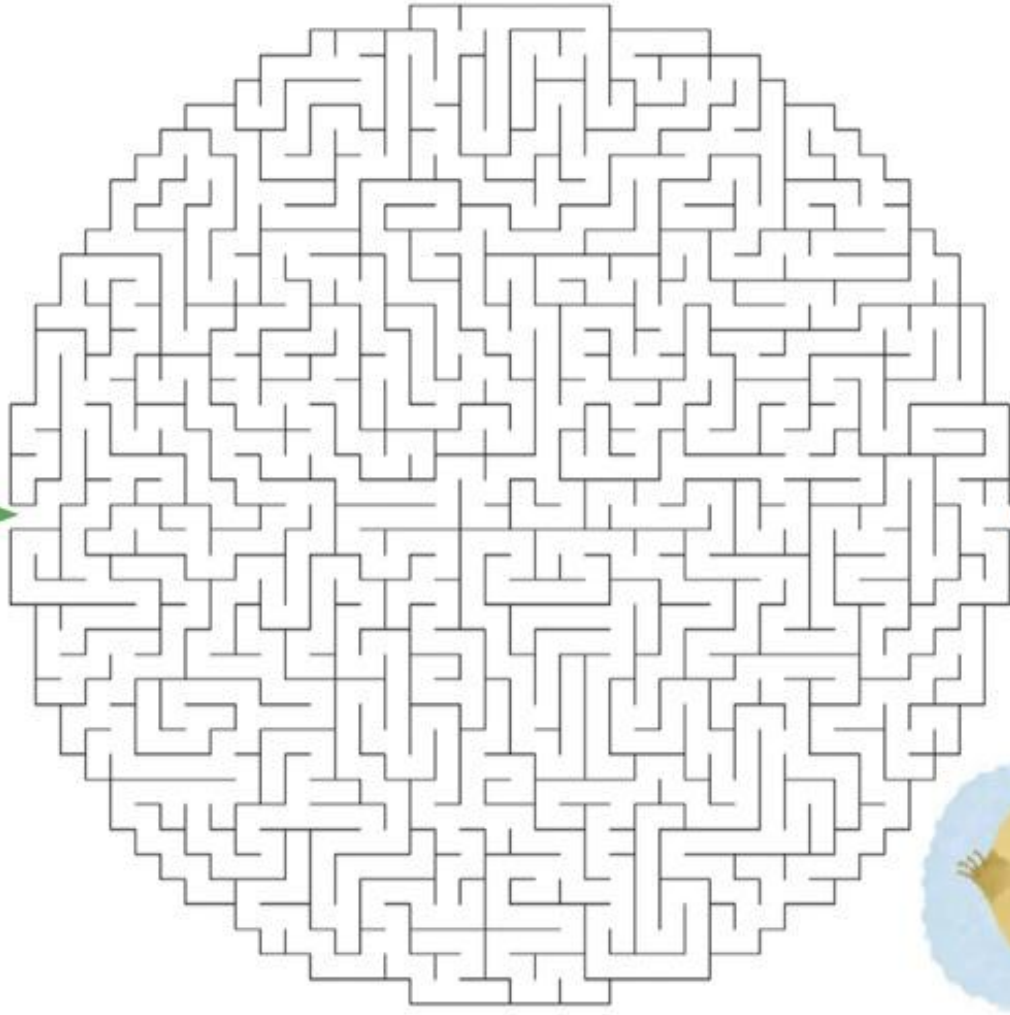
Use your imagination to **design your own imaginary creature friend**. Draw a sketch below.



What is your creature's name? Does your creature have any special abilities? How does your creature help you when you are feeling scared, sad, or even bored?

Finding Your Way

START

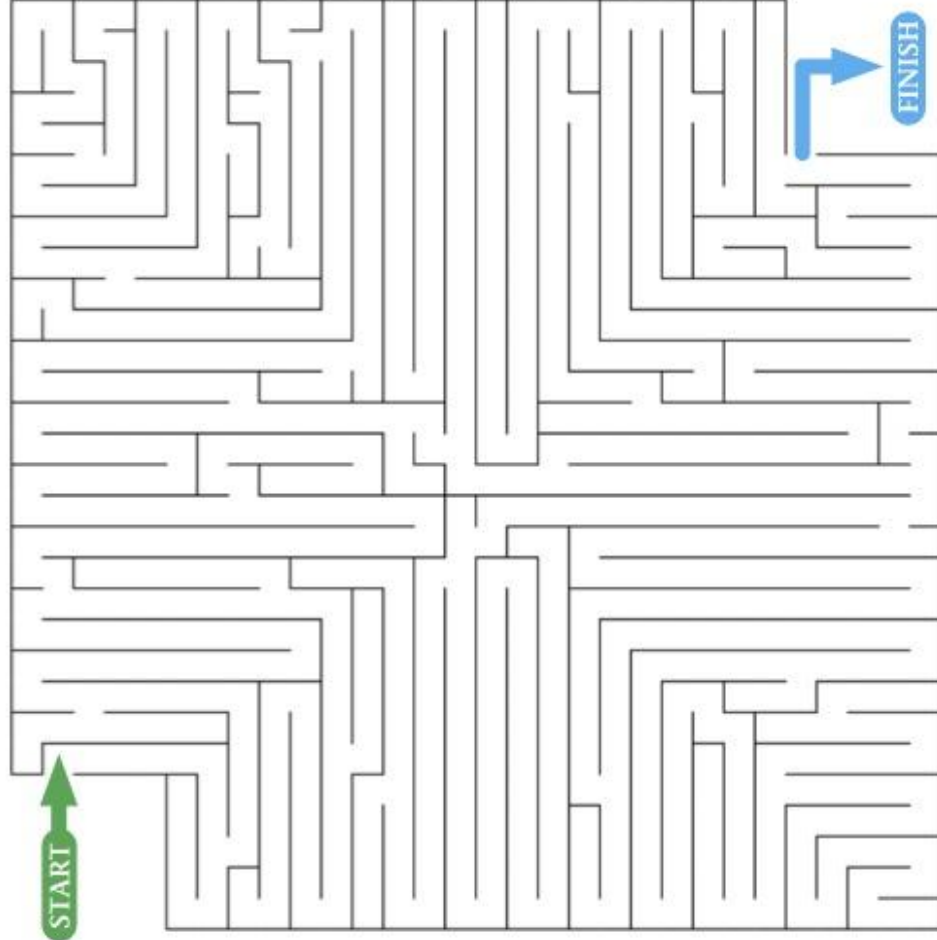


FINISH



From Seed to Flower

START



FINISH



