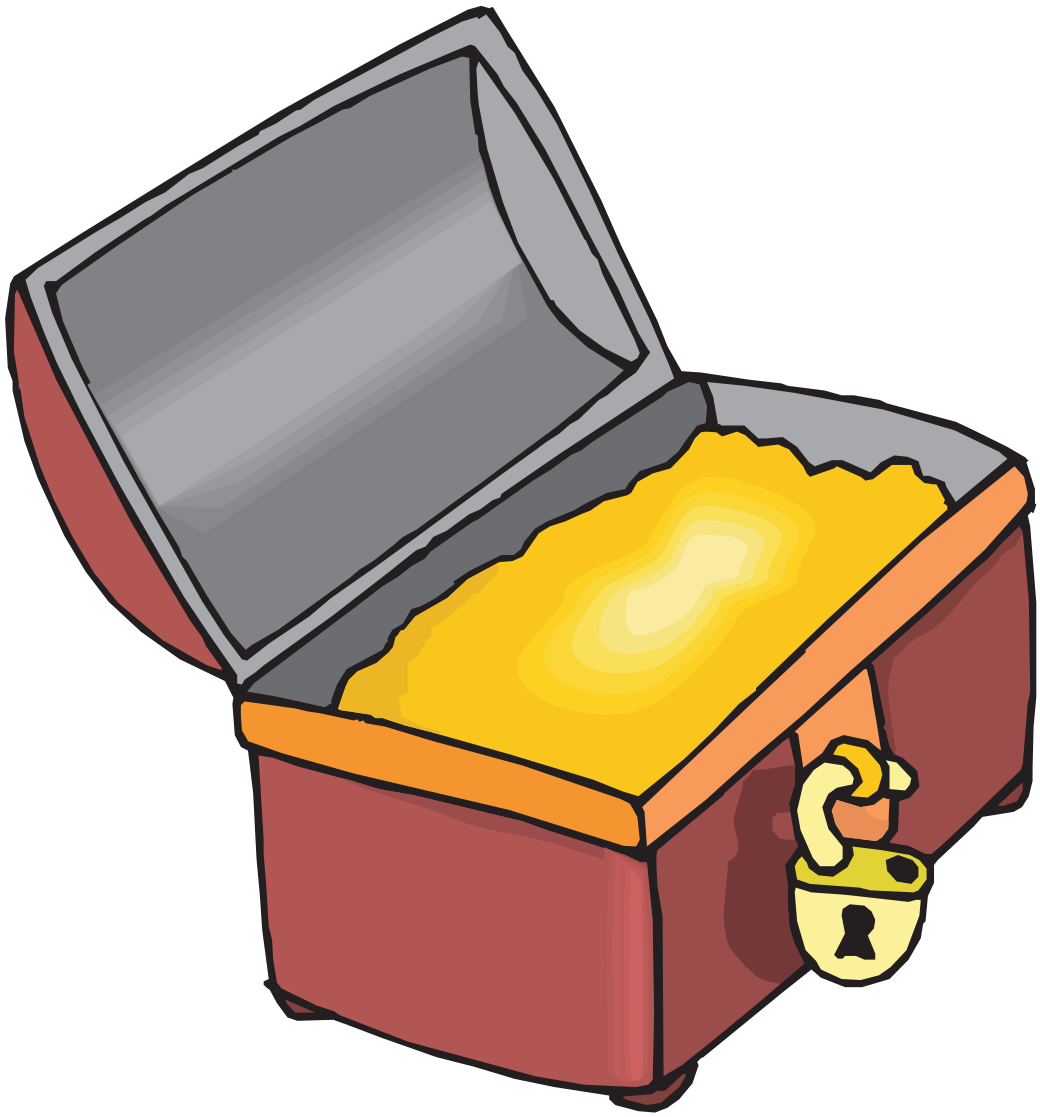
Scavenger Hunts



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Suggested Activities for Scavenger Hunts:

1. Timed Hunt (one player game): Cut out the cards. Give child several cards. Using a stop watch, time how long it takes to find the objects.

2. Treasure Hunt (one or more players): Hide the clues around the house or outdoors to lead to a treasure. Hide a clue under an object on one of the cards. For example, hide the tissue card under some soap. Now hide another card by a tissue i.e. pencil. Now hide a card by a pencil. Continue hiding as many cards as you like. At the last clue put a small prize or treasure for the child to find. Give the child the first clue (in our example you would give the child the soap card). The child follows the clues to find the treasure.

3. Race Hunt (two or more teams, teams can be one player): Give each team the same number of cards. On go, both teams have to find and bring back each of the items on the cards. First team to collect all wins.

4. Tactile Hunt#1: Find the items listed. Once all items are found, place items in a large, dark bag. Shuffle the cards. Turn a card over. Reach inside the bag with hand, eyes closed, and try to feel for the object listed on the card. Continue play until all items are felt and found.

5. Tactile Hunt #2: Place small items that fit the descriptions on the cards inside rice and beans bucket. Shuffle cards. Turn over one at a time. Child has to reach into rice and beans bucket to find item listed.

6. Adjective Hunt#1: Separate into two teams and pick one person to be a judge (the judge can not be on either team). Give each team 5 adjective cards. Teams find objects that meet the description on the card. Once teams have found each of the 5 objects they return to the judge. Each team shows objects and explains why the object meets the description. If the judge approves, the team gets one point. For example - a team finds an old penny for something shiny. The judge can say the penny is dull (since old) no point but if it is a new penny (shiny) the team would get one point. The team with the most points is the winner! Change judges for the next round.

7. Adjective Hunt #2: Simply find a certain number of objects listed on the cards. Time how long it takes for one player or play head to head with teams.

8. Walk Hunts: Using the outdoor hunts, adjective hunts, alphabet hunts or number hunts, take a walk and try to find all objects listed.

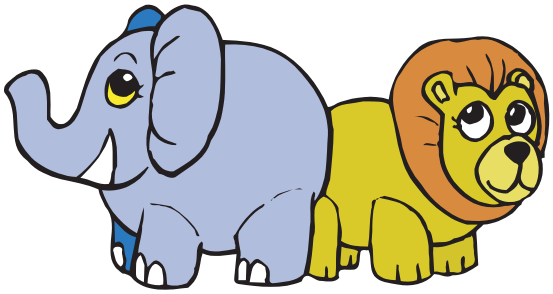
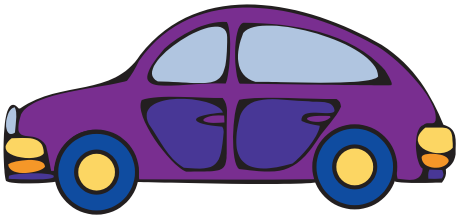
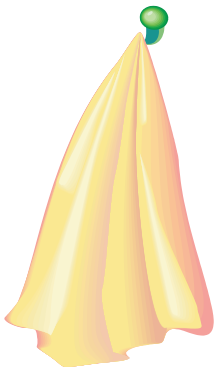
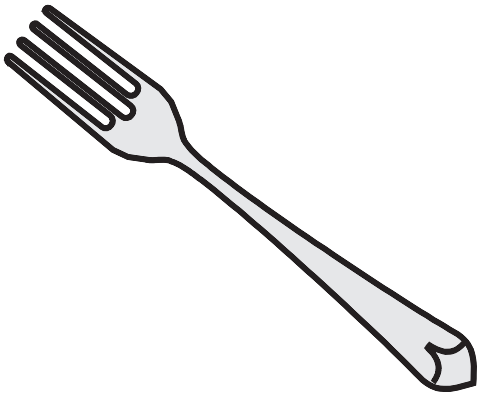
9. Scavenger Hunt Board Game: Decide on what cards to use, print, cut out and place face down. Place two game markers (i.e. small figures or pawns) on the START square. Player one turns over a card. Player one has to find that object within a certain time frame and return to board game. If object is found, flip a coin. If heads move forward one square. If tails move forward two squares. If the object is not found before time runs out, that player can not move forward. First player to the winner square wins!

10. Fine Motor Additions: Use a hole puncher to punch a hole in the circle when objects are found. Try using a dabber marker to mark off each circle when objects are found. Laminate the cards, punch hole and place on key ring. Child has to flip each page when object is found.

11. Pen and Paper Hunts: Find and circle the objects on the page. Print in black and white to increase difficulty.

Directions for color hunt, alphabet hunts and number hunts are written directly on those pages.

Indoor Hunt

○ Stuffed animal 	○ Toy car 
○ Wash cloth 	○ Fork 
○ Toothbrush	○ Doll

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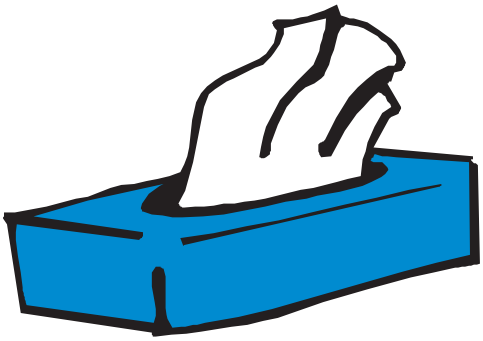
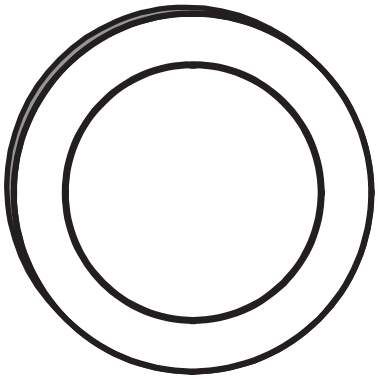
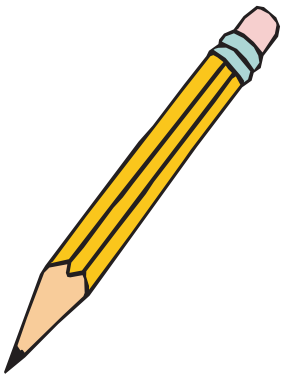
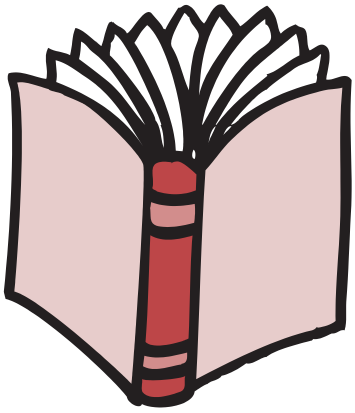
○ Tissue 	○ Coin
○ Paper plate 	○ Pencil 
○ White Sock	○ Book 

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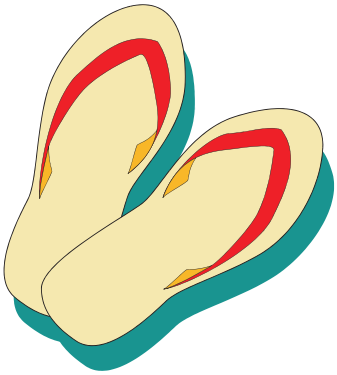
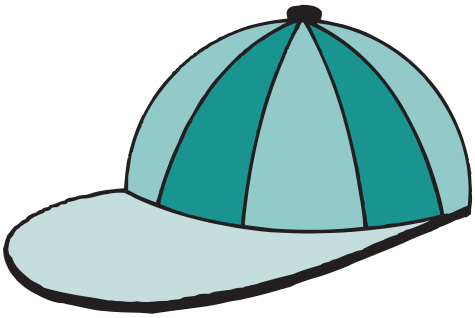
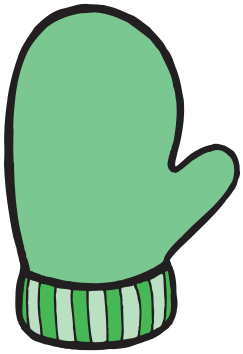
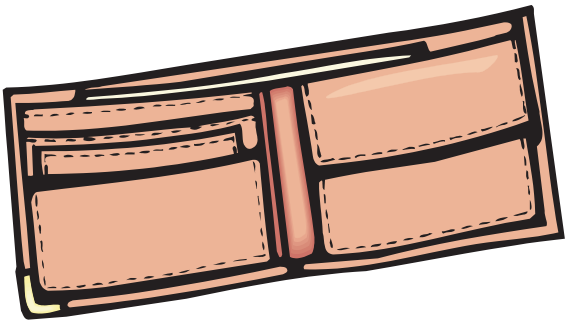
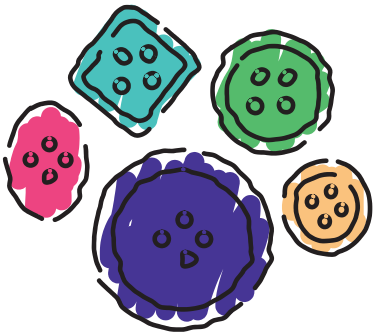
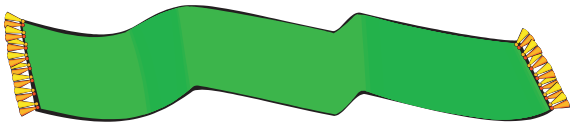
○ Flip flop 	○ Baseball hat 
○ Mitten 	○ Wallet 
○ Button 	○ Scarf 

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Indoor Hunt

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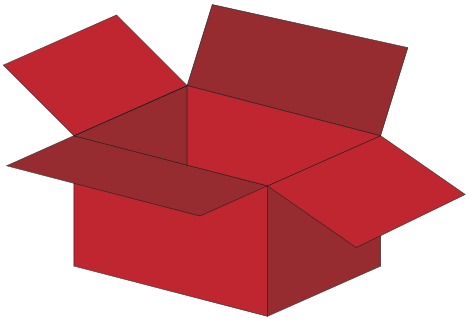

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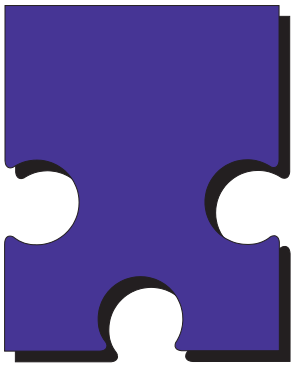

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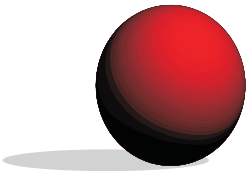

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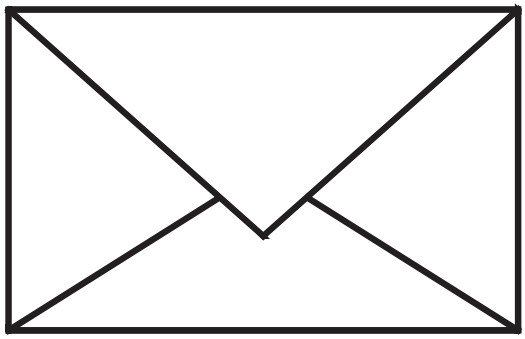

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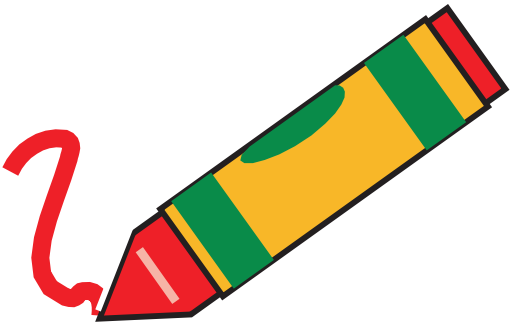

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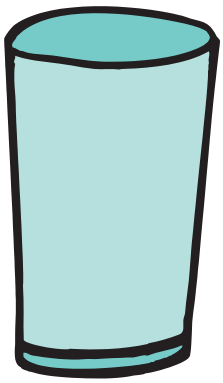

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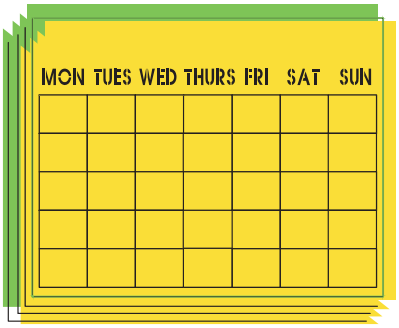
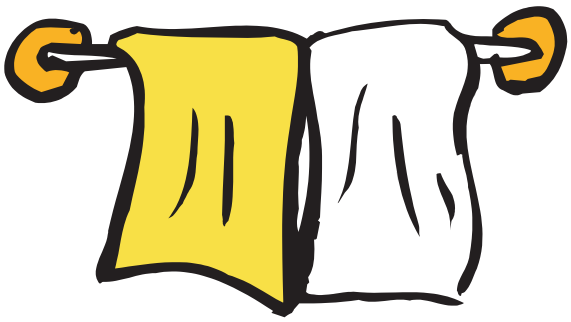


- ○ Paper clip

- ○ Hand towel



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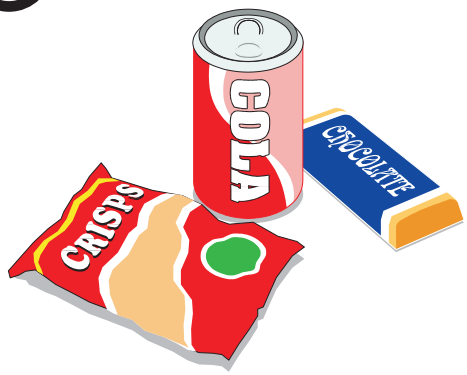

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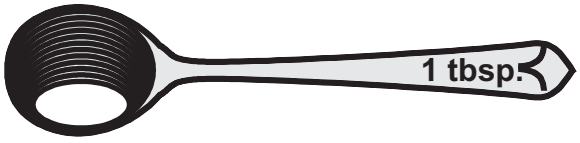

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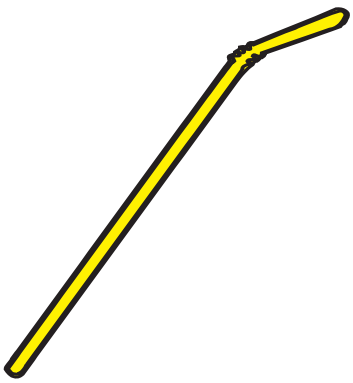

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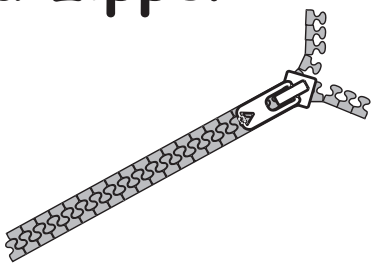
- ○ Something with a zipper



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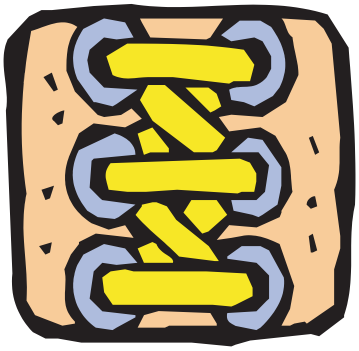
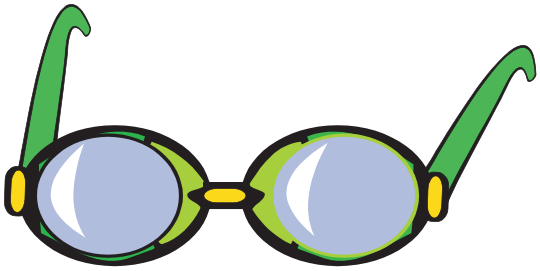
- ○ Shoelace



- ○ Glove

- ○ Puppet

- ○ Sunglasses



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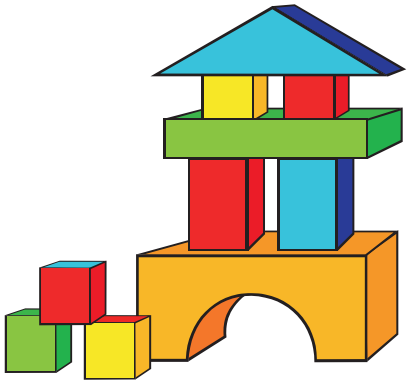
- ○ Building block



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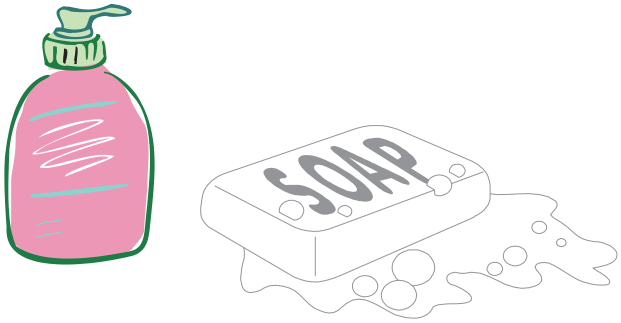

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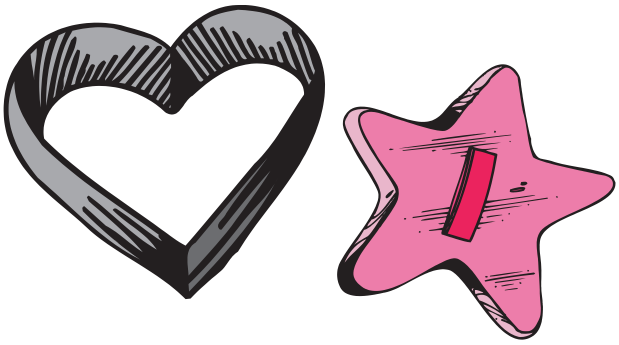
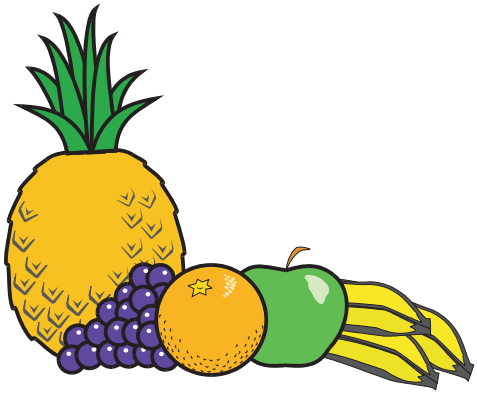


- ○ Penny

- ○ Piece of fruit



- ○ Wooden spoon

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Shape Hunt

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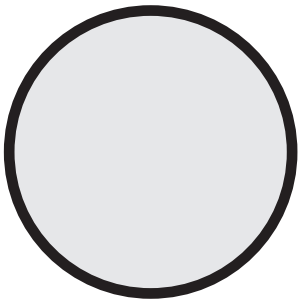
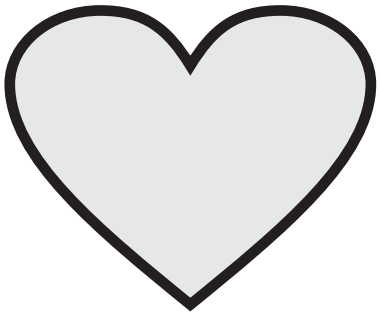
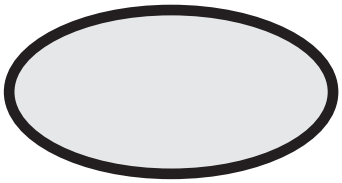
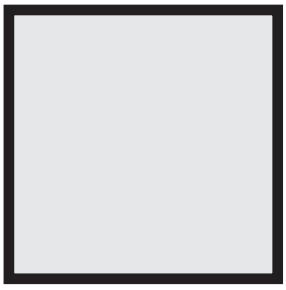
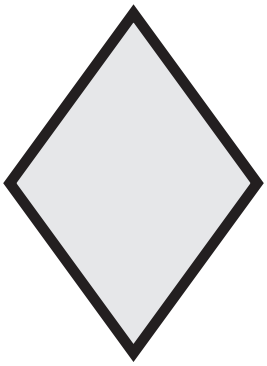
○ Circle 	○ Heart 
○ Oval 	○ Square 
○ Rectangle	○ Diamond 

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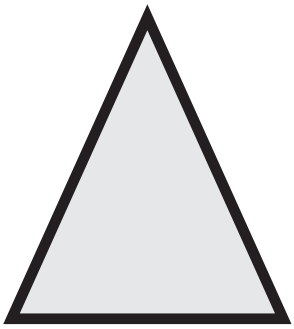

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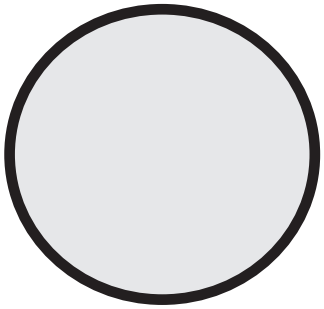

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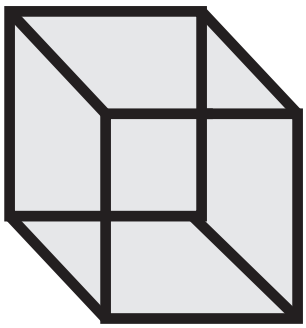

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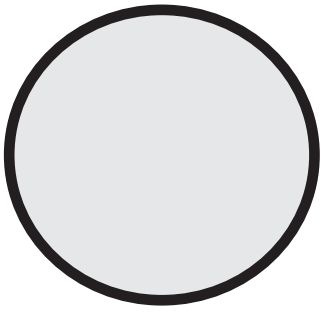

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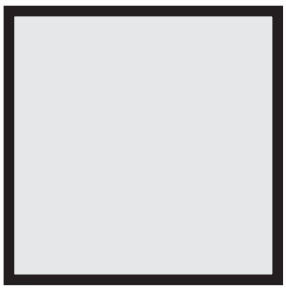

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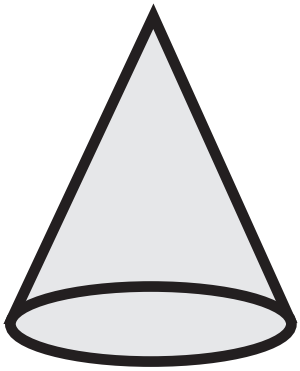

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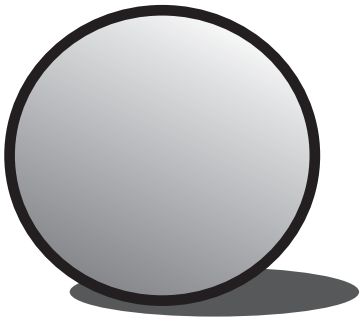

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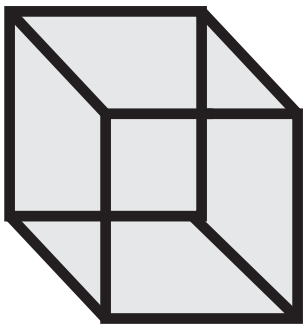
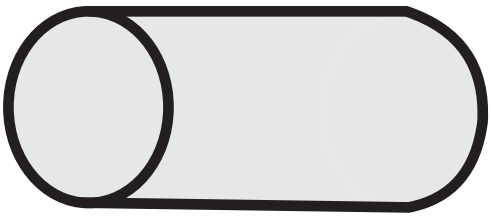


○ Rectanglar Prism

○ Cylinder



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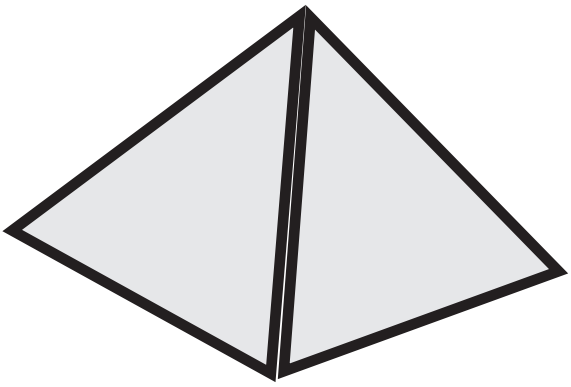

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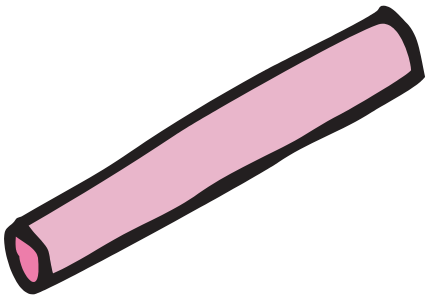
School Hunt

- ○ Colored chalk



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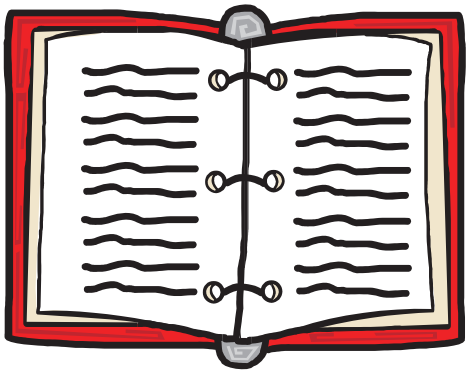
- ○ Notebook



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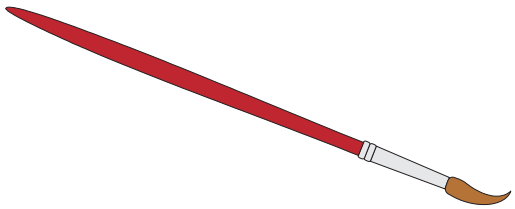

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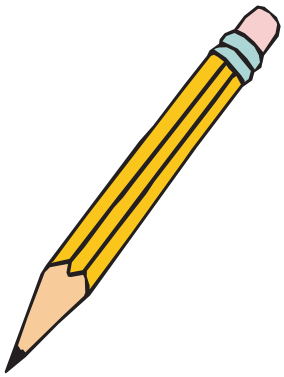

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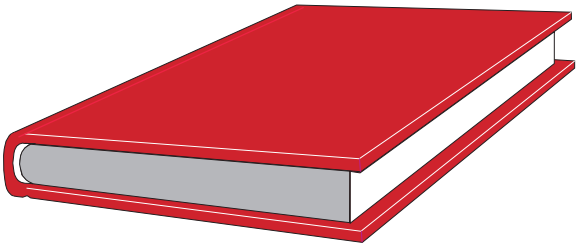

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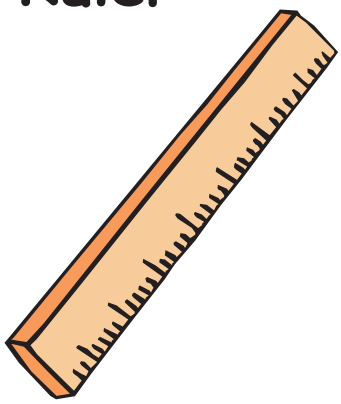
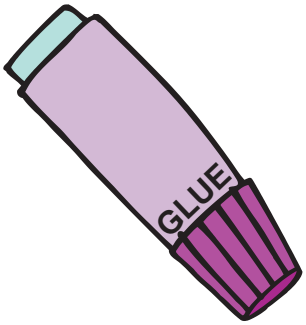
- ○ Ruler



- ○ Eraser

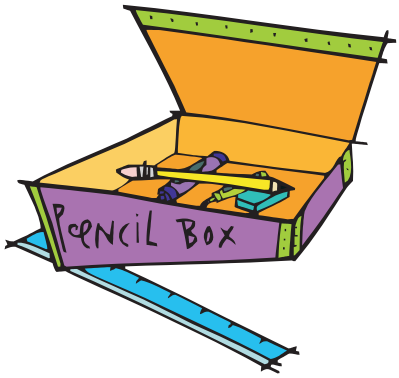
- ○ Glue stick



- ○ Lunch box

- ○ Blue back pack

- ○ Pencil case



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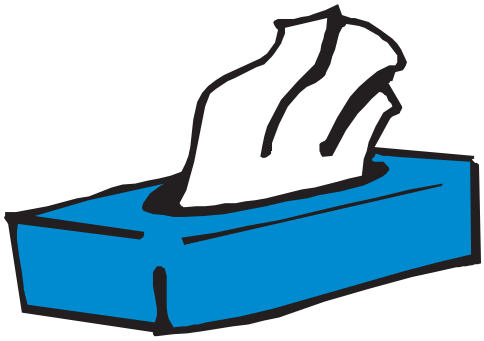
School Hunt

- [ ] Red crayon

- [ ] Marker

- [ ] Pencil sharpener

- [ ] Tissue



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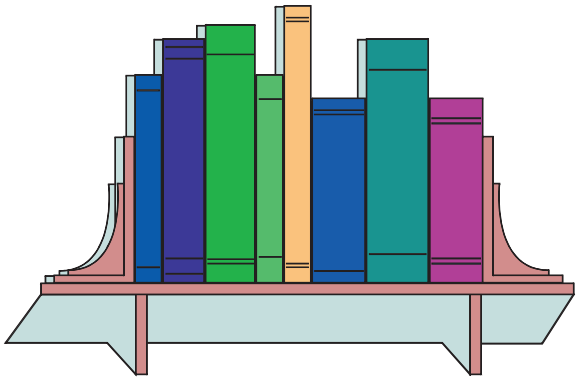

- [ ] Glue

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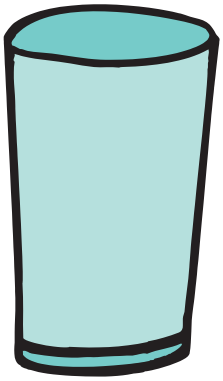
School Hunt

- ○ Black pen

- ○ Paper cup



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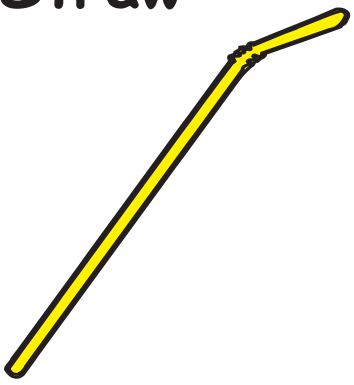
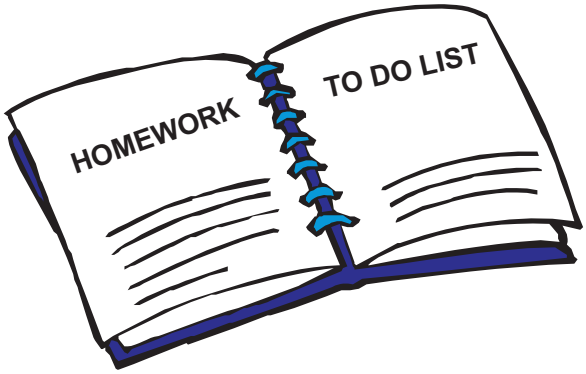


- ○ Assignment book



- ○ Picture book

- ○ Colored pencil

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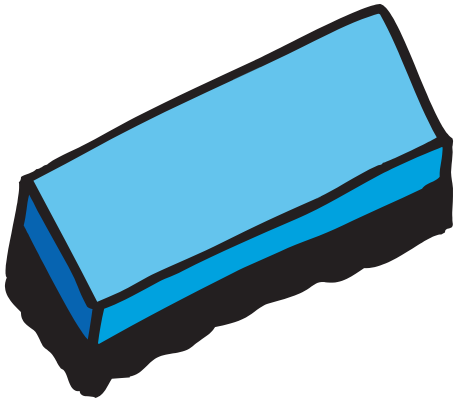
School Hunt

- [ ] Chalkboard eraser



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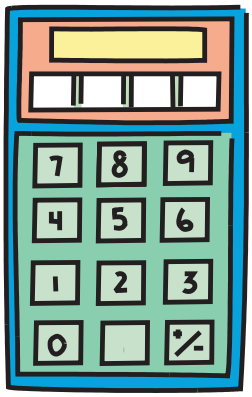

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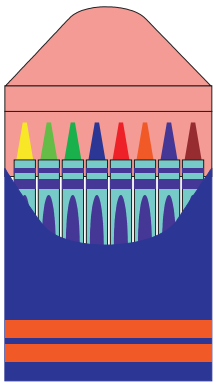

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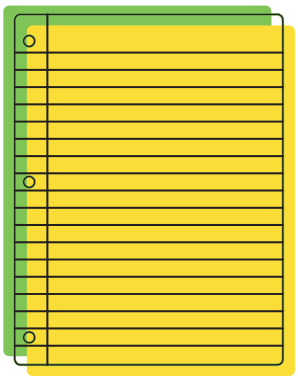

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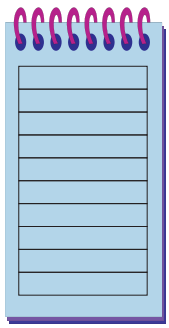

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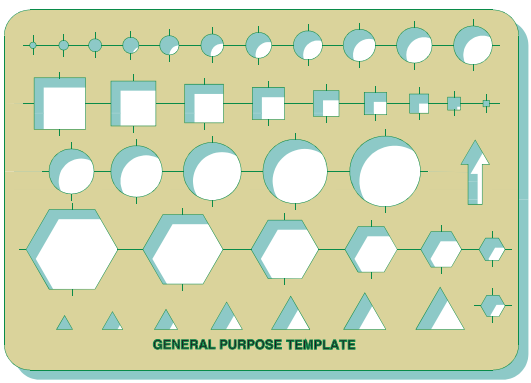

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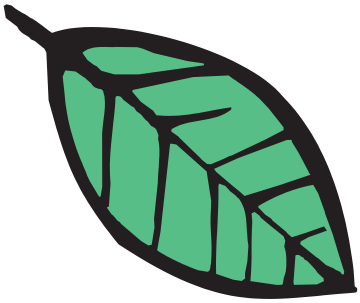
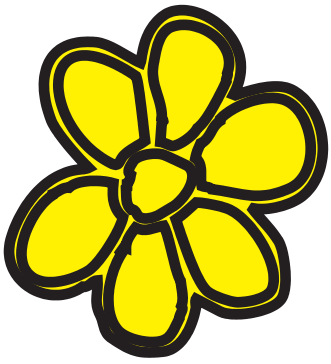
Outdoor Hunt

○ Acorn	○ Green leaf 
○ Pine cone	○ Grey rock
○ Brown leaf	○ Yellow flower 

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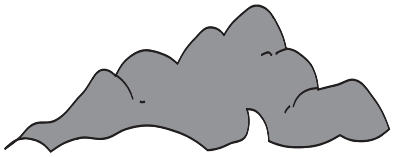
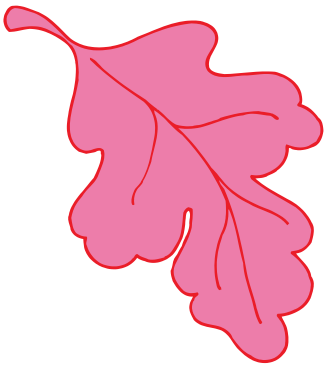
Outdoor Hunt

- ○ Two pebbles

- ○ Scoop of dirt



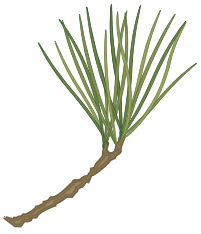
- ○ Red leaf



- ○ Stick

- ○ Small leaf

- ○ Pine needles



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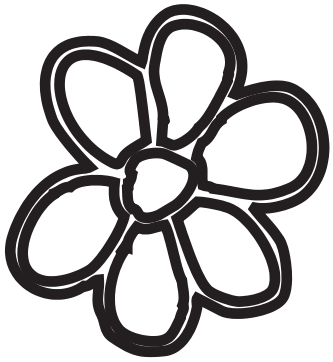
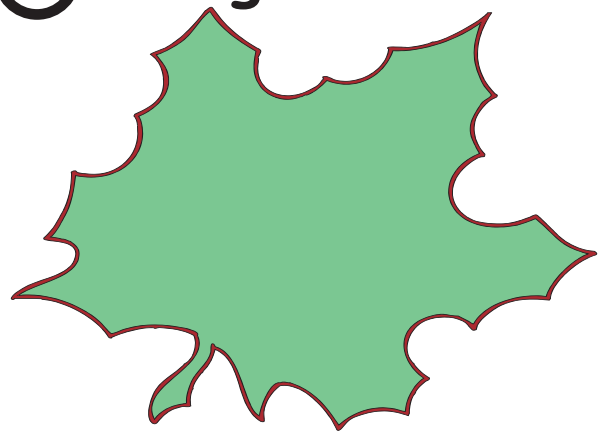
Outdoor Hunt

- ○ White flower



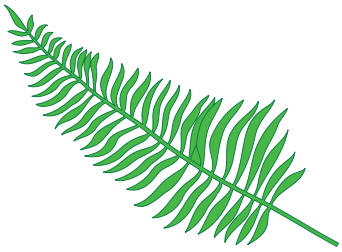
- ○ Small rock

- ○ Large leaf



- ○ Blades of grass

- ○ Fern



- ○ Twig

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Tactile Hunt

○ Something furry	○ Something smooth
○ Something rough	○ Something soft
○ Something hard	○ Something scratchy

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Tactile Hunt

○ Something cold	○ Something bumpy
○ Something fluffy	○ Something silky
○ Something elastic	○ Something squishy

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Adjective Hunt

○ Something bumpy	○ Something chubby
○ Something big	○ Something fancy
○ Something funny	○ Something heavy

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Adjective Hunt

○ Something noisy	○ Something old
○ Something puffy	○ Something quiet
○ Something smelly	○ Something tiny

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Adjective Hunt

○ Something broken	○ Something beautiful
○ Something colorful	○ Something cute
○ Something empty	○ Something flat

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Adjective Hunt

○ Something miniature	○ Something thin
○ Something pretty	○ Something plain
○ Something shiny	○ Something short

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Adjective Hunt

○ Something sparkling	○ Something spotted
○ Something striped	○ Something plastic
○ Something odd	○ Something silly

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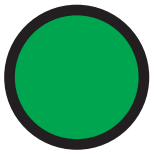
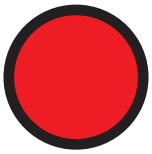
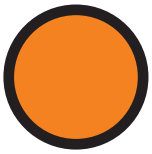
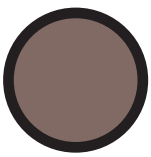
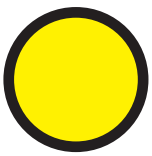
Color Hunt

Find one item of each color

Green 	Red 
Black	Orange 
Brown 	Yellow 

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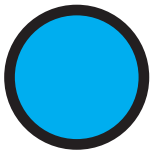
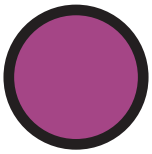
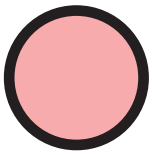
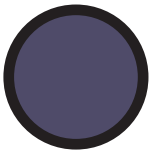
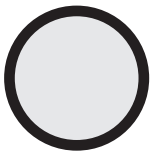
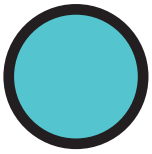
Color Hunt

Find one item of each color

Blue 	Purple 
Pink 	Indigo 
Gray 	Turquoise 

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Alphabet Hunt #1

Alphabet Hunt #1: Separate into teams. Find objects that begin with each letter on your sheet and bring back to starting area. Team who completes the list first is the winner!

○ A	○ B
○ C	○ D
○ E	○ F
○ G	○ H
○ I	○ J
○ K	○ L

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Alphabet Hunt #1

○M	○N
○O	○P
○R	○S
○T	○U
○V	○W
○Y	○Z

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Alphabet Hunt #2

Alphabet Hunt #2: Divide into at least 2 teams. Give each team the paper and pencil. Set a time limit - i.e. 5 minutes. Find as many objects as you can that start with each letter. Write down each object. After 5 minutes, each team should read the items aloud. Cross off an item if both teams have it listed. Teams with the most unique items wins! (To shorten the game only circle some letters to find and decrease the time).

Alphabet Hunt #2: Take a walk outdoors, around the school or in the mall with a copy of Alphabet Hunt #2. See if you can find items that begin with each letter. For the harder letters (i.e. Q, X) try finding items that have those letters in the word. Try it while waiting in the doctor's office or at a restaurant.

A	
B	
C	
D	
E	
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I	
J	
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L	
M	
N	
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P	
Q	
R	
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V	
W	
X	
Y	
Z	

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Alphabet Hunt #3

Alphabet Hunt #3: Write down random letters on the left had side of each box. The object is to find items in that room that start with the letters you picked. Write down the object in the box. Time how long it takes you to find the objects or go head to head competition with teams.

Letter	Kitchen	Bedroom	Living Room

Letter	Bathroom	Play room	Closet

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Letter	Class room	Playground	Hallway

Letter	Gym	Cafeteria	Library

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Alphabet Hunt #3

Alphabet Hunt #3: Write down random letters on the left had side of each box. Write down any locations or rooms. The object is to find items in that room that start with the letters you picked. Write down the object in the box. Time how long it takes you to find the objects or go head to head competition with teams.

	Location	Location	Location
Letter			

	Location	Location	Location
Letter			

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Number Hunt

Find the correct number of objects that are the same.
For example: 3 pencils, 2 tissues, 2 mittens, etc.

○ **2**	○ **3**
○ **4**	○ **6**
○ **7**	○ **8**

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Number Hunt

Find the correct number of objects that are the same.
For example: 3 pencils, 2 tissues, 2 mittens, etc.

○ 1	○ 2
○ 4	○ 5
○ 7	○ 9

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Make Your Own Hunt

Create your own list of objects to find.

○	○
○	○
○	○
○	○
○	○
○	○

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Make Your Own Hunt

Create your own list of objects to find.

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START

Scavenger Hunts Game Board

?

?

WINNER

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CASTLE HUNT

Find and circle the objects.		
1	1	1
2	1	2
4	2	2

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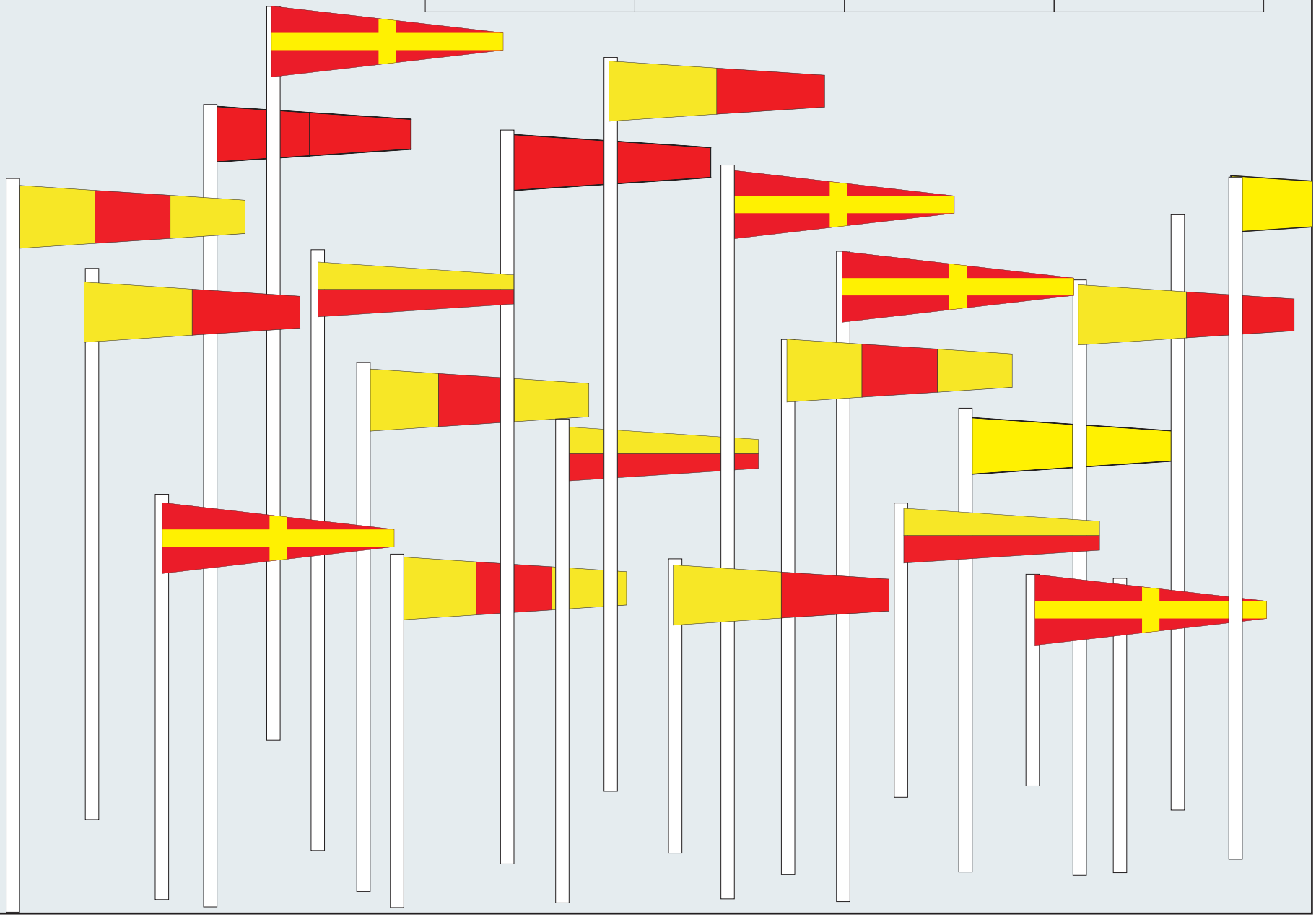
Flag Hunt

Find and circle the flags below.

5	4	3	4



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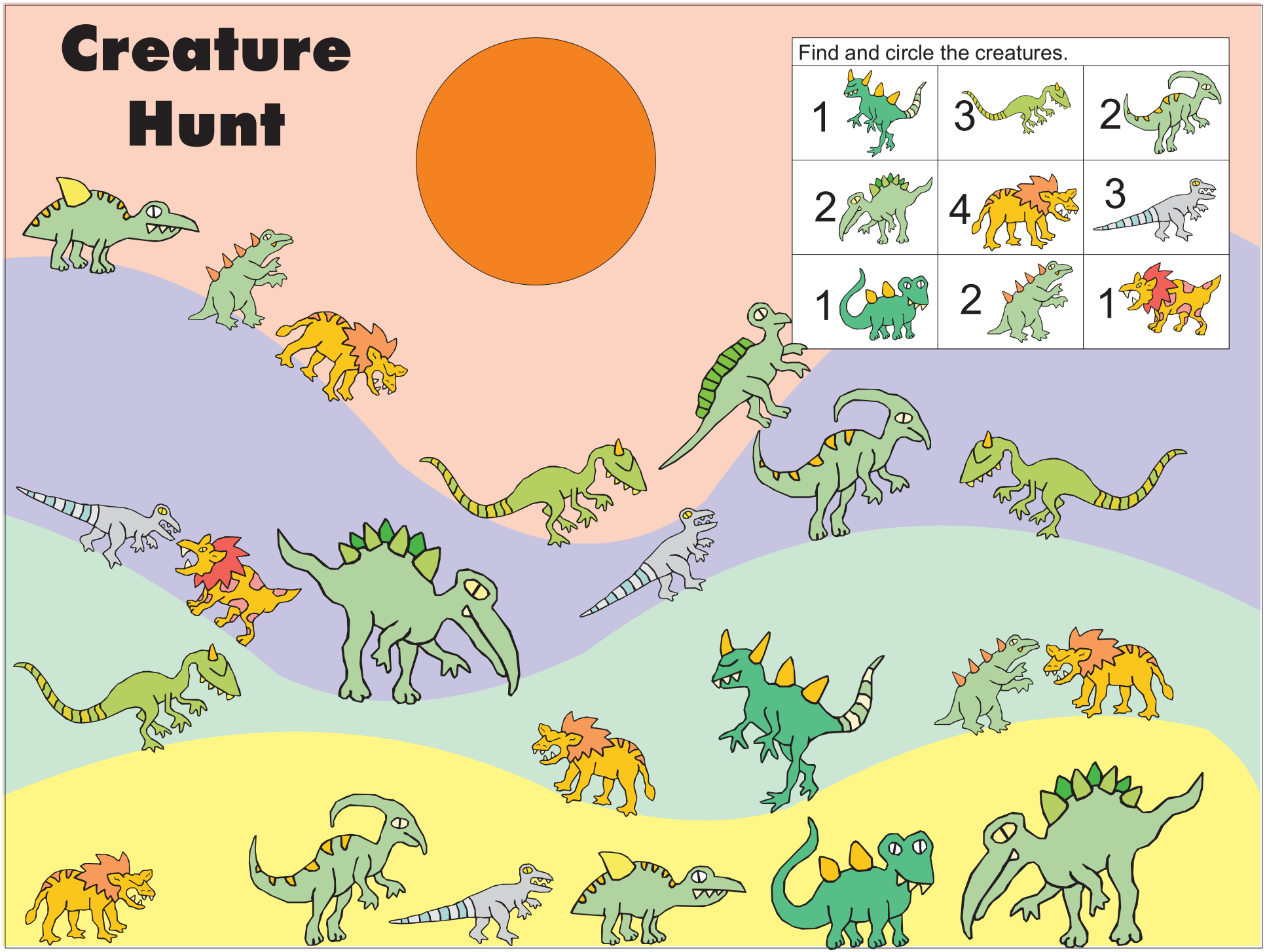
Creature Hunt



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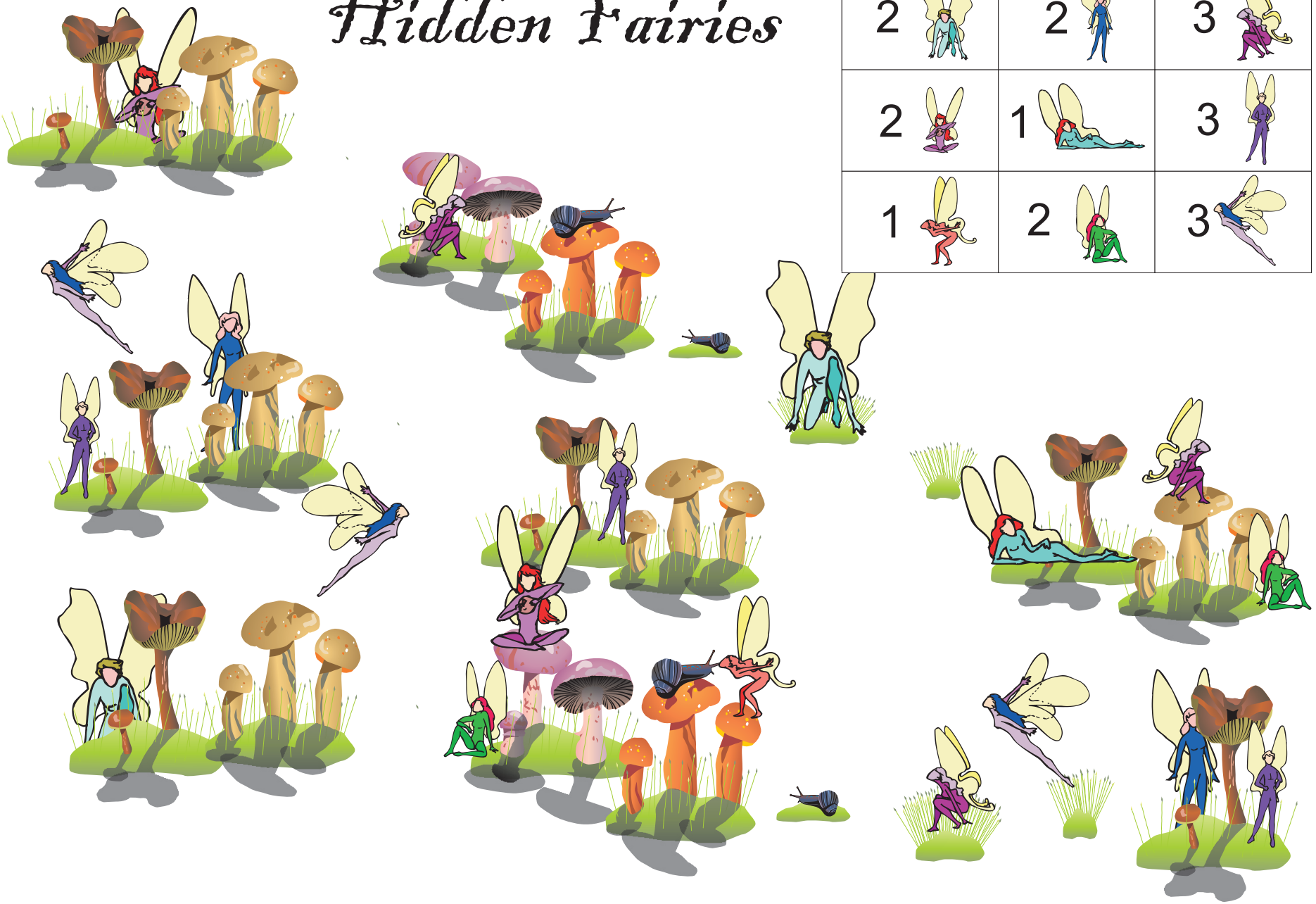
Hidden Fairies

Find and circle the fairies.		
2	2	3
2	1	3
1	2	3



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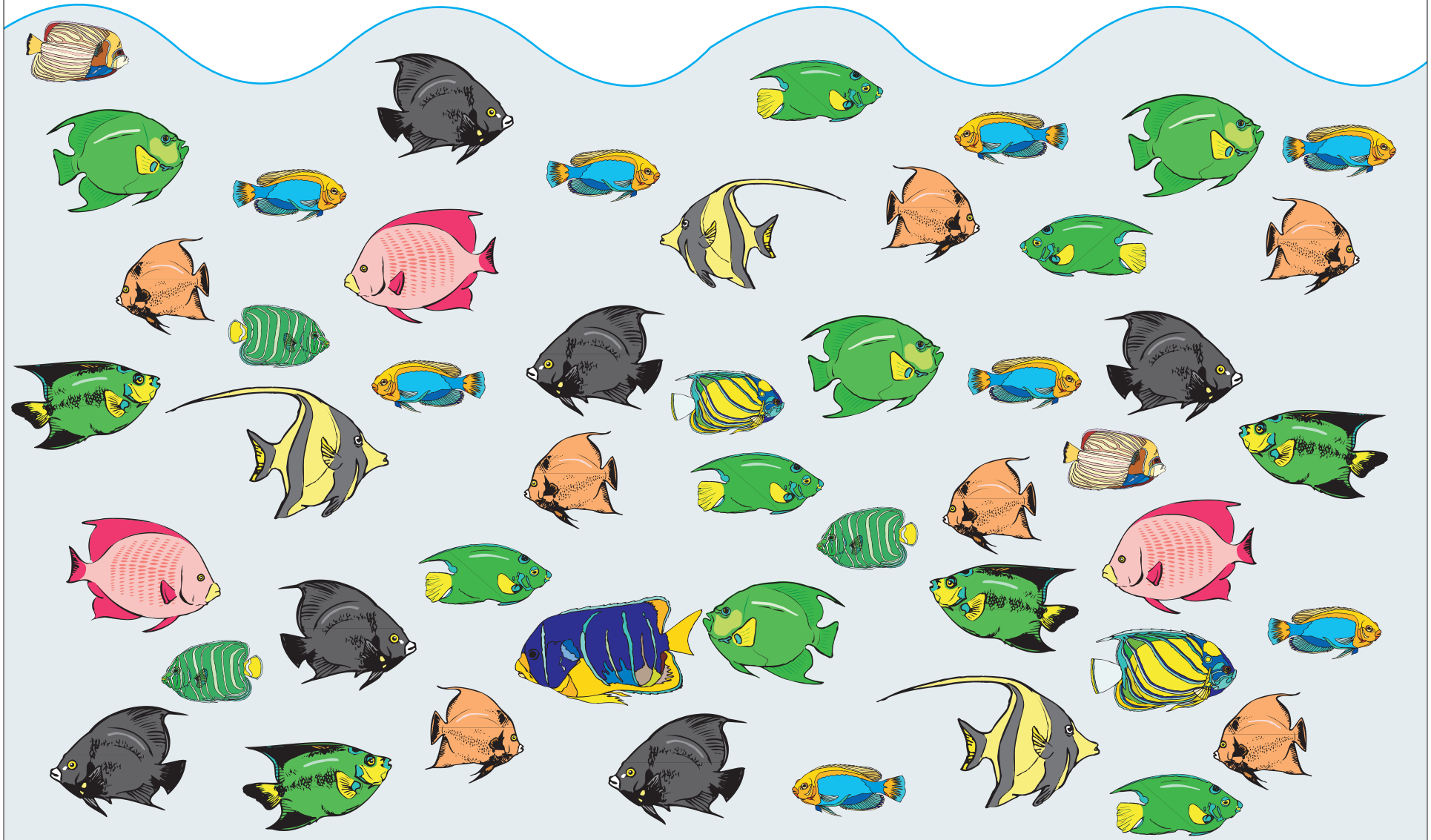
FISH FINDER

Find and circle the fish.

3	4	3	7
6	5	4	8



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Name:_____

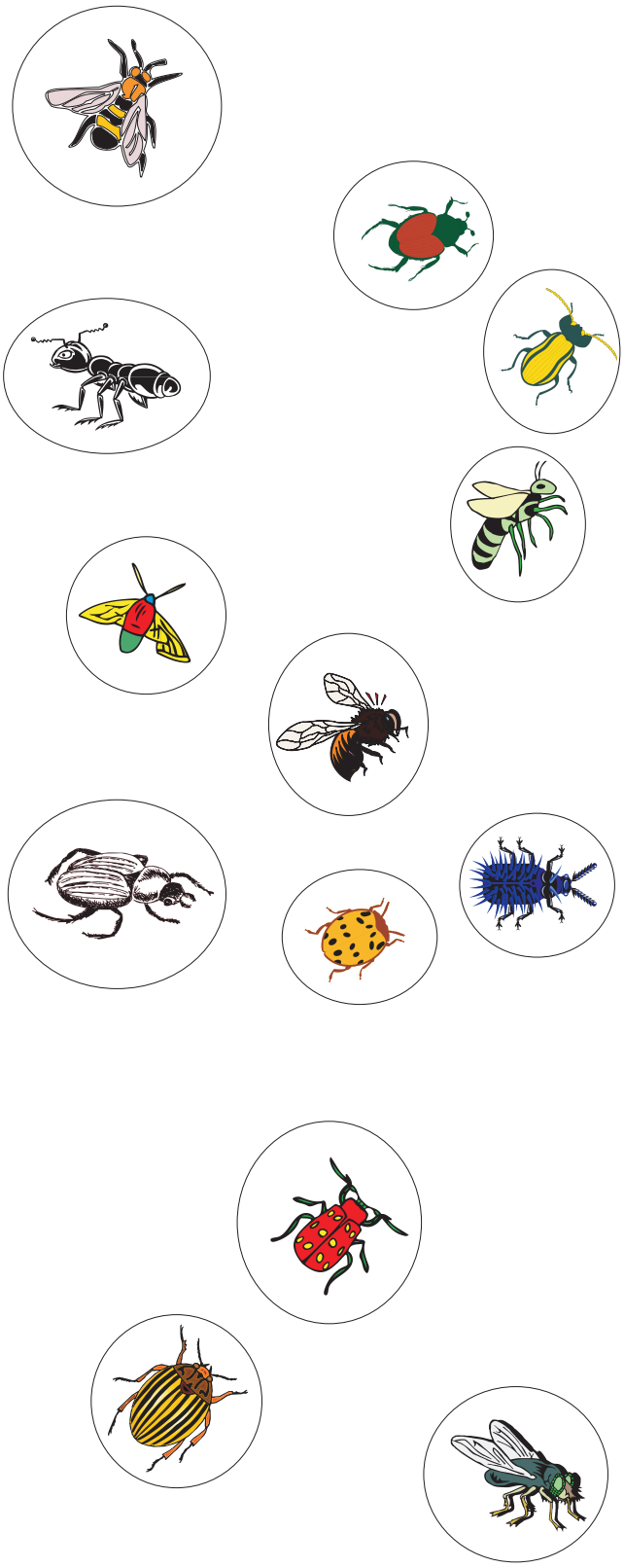
Butterfly Hunt

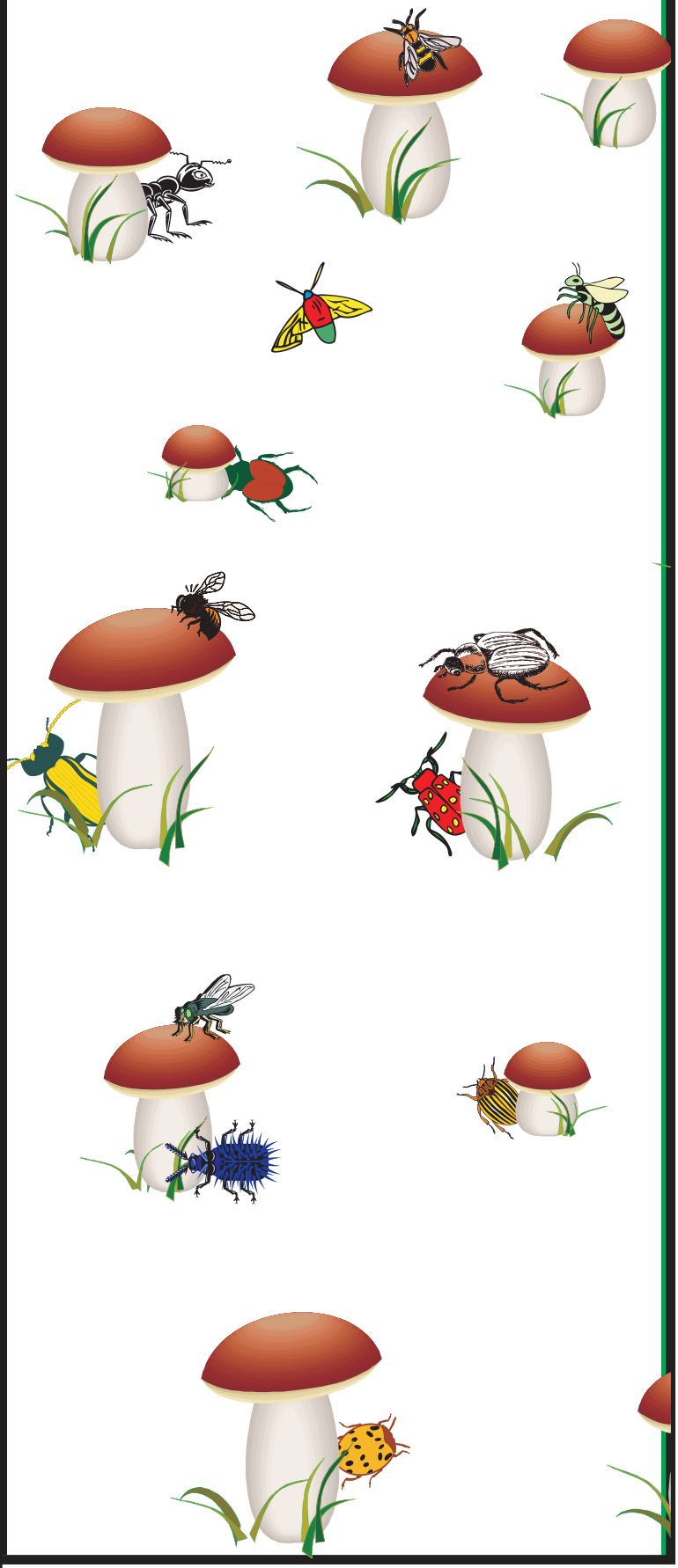
Directions: Match a butterfly on the left to a butterfly in the grass. Draw a line to connect the matching pairs.

Name: _____

Bug Hunt

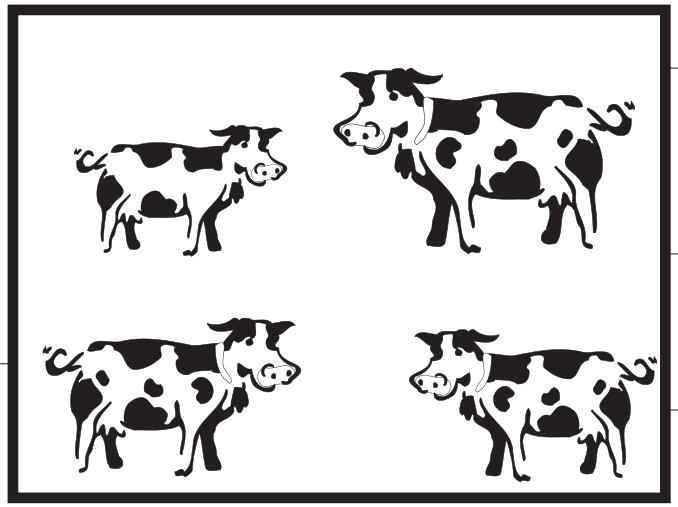
Directions: Match the bug on the left to the bug on the right. Draw a line to connect the matching pairs.

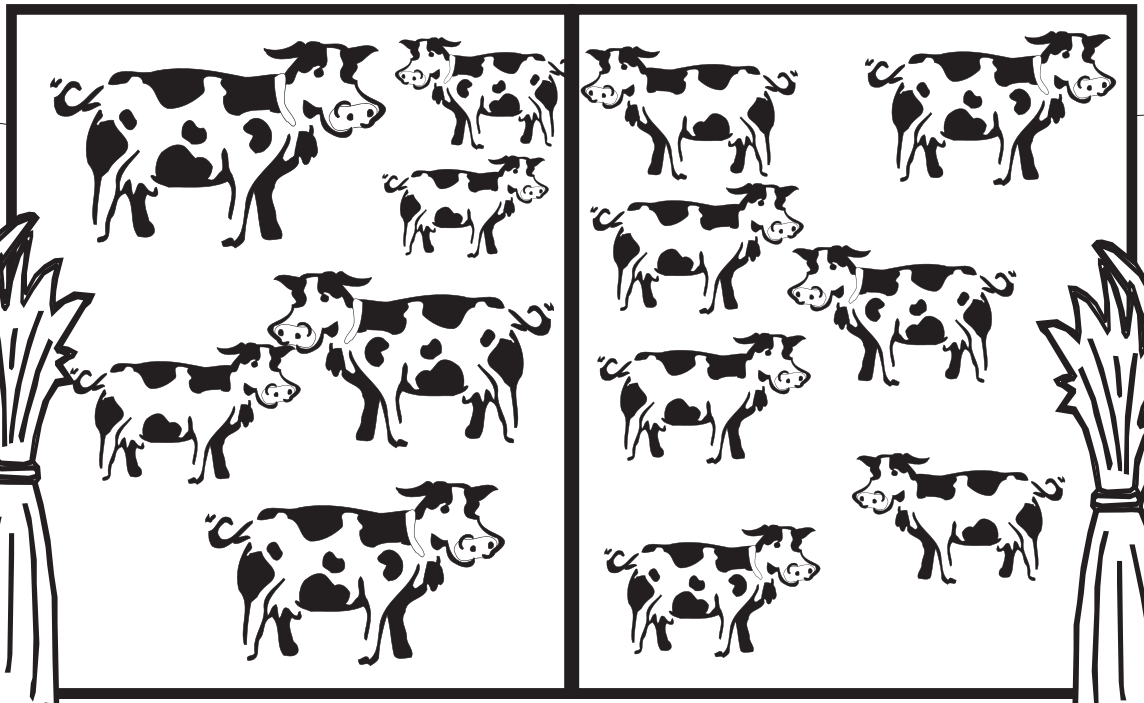




Find the Cows

Directions: Find and circle the 10 cows that match the cow pictured in the square exactly.





Crown Hunt

Find and circle the crowns.

2	4
3	3

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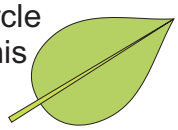
Leaf Hunt

Directions: Find and circle 10 leaves that match this leaf.



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