



WEEK
FOUR
MAY 2023

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION
15 MINUTES

MADE TO MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's
natural desire to move to help
them learn



1. OH, THE PLACES YOU'LL HELP!

WHAT YOU NEED: "Places to Help" and "Places to Help Checklist" Activity Pages; cardstock; painter's tape; clipboard; and a washable marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Places to Help"

on cardstock, one set per small group. Tape pictures around the room at preschooler level. Copy "Places to Help Checklist" on cardstock, one per small group. Clip the checklist to the clipboard.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Gather the children in your activity area and show them the checklist. Call out the first place at the top and encourage them to look around the room to find the matching picture. Travel together to the picture and talk about ways you can help in that place. For example, at the park, you can help a friend who falls down, pick up trash, or return a lost ball to its owner. At school you can help the teacher carry books, clean up your table with a friend, or push in the chairs. At home, you can take out the trash, put away the laundry, help dry the dishes, and play with a younger sibling. In the neighborhood, you can pick up a neighbor's mail, take a neighbor some cookies, and pick up trash. Allow the children to give ideas, as well, and continue until you've visited each place and checked it off your list.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how we'll hear a story about someone who looked for ways to help.

BIBLE STORY

God made me
to look for ways to help.

REBEKAH HELPS
GENESIS 24:15-20

MEMORY VERSE

"We have the Lord
our God to help us."

2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT

KEY QUESTION

Who made you
to help others?

BOTTOM LINE

God made me
to help others.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends! Come here and help me with this checklist."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Do you see the pictures of places on my checklist? I spy these places around the room. Let's see if we can find them then name some ways to help in each of those places. I spy a picture of a park on my checklist! Can you help me find a big picture of the park? (Pause.) There it is! Let's go! What are some ways you can help in the park? (Pause.) Awesome! Let's put a check next to the park on my list. (Pause.) What other pictures do you see? (Pause.) Let's go there! (Continue until all places have been checked off.) There are so many different ways we can help in so many different places. Thanks for being great helpers today!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Let's look for ways to help this week, everywhere we go! Because **God made me to help others! Who made you to help others? God made me to help others!**"

TRANSITION: Move to Worship and Story by calling out different ways to help as children pantomime them. Ways to help: wipe the table, share supplies with a friend, look for a lost toy, help someone carry something heavy, make cards for someone who is sick, help set the table, etc.



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CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Memory Verse Card" paperclipped in Bible, journal, a fun-shaped pen, and reward stickers or handstamp

BIBLE STORY

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Now, let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*) Today in our Bible story, Rebekah looked for ways to help at a well. Let's make a list of places where we can look for ways to help. When I say your name, tell me one place you can look for ways to help. (*Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*) These are all great places to look for ways to help!

"Okay, it's time to pray now. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?" (*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*)

MEMORY VERSE

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PRAYER

SGL: "Dear God, we want to look for ways to help others everywhere we go. Please help us look for ways to help when we are at (*read the places the children listed*). You are the best helper, God, and we are so thankful we have You to help us. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

KEY QUESTION

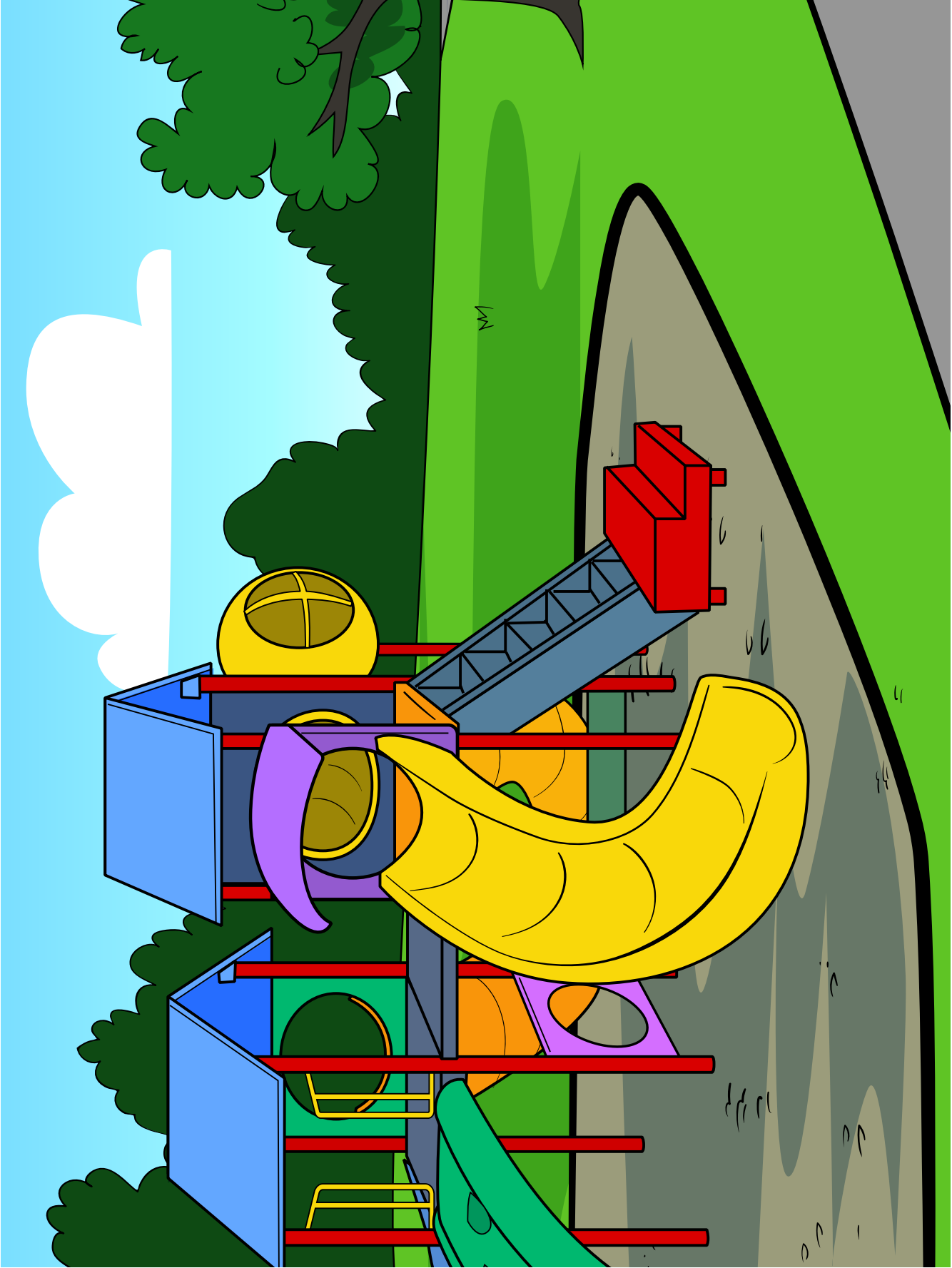
Who made you
to help others?

BOTTOM LINE

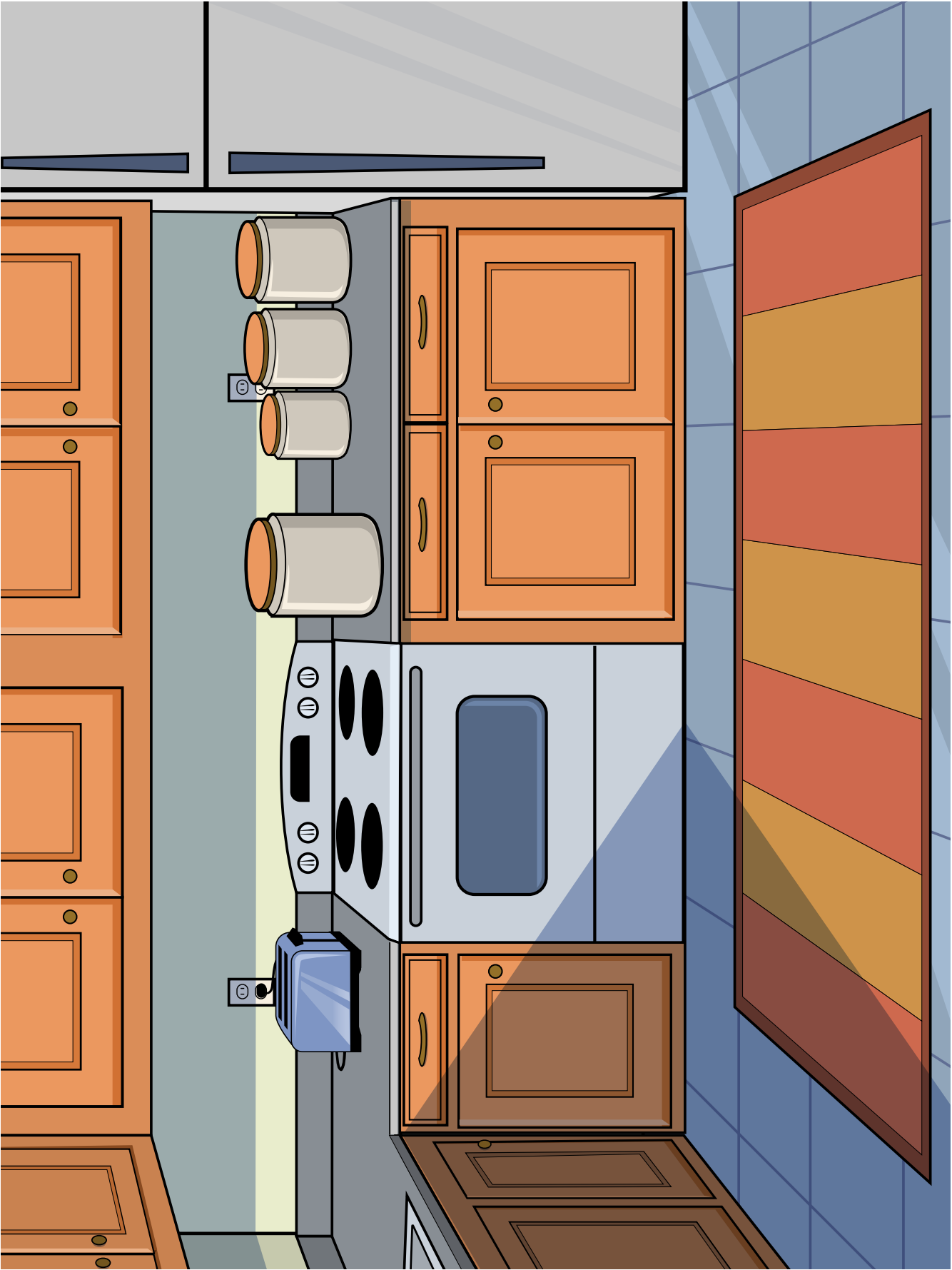
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BASIC TRUTH

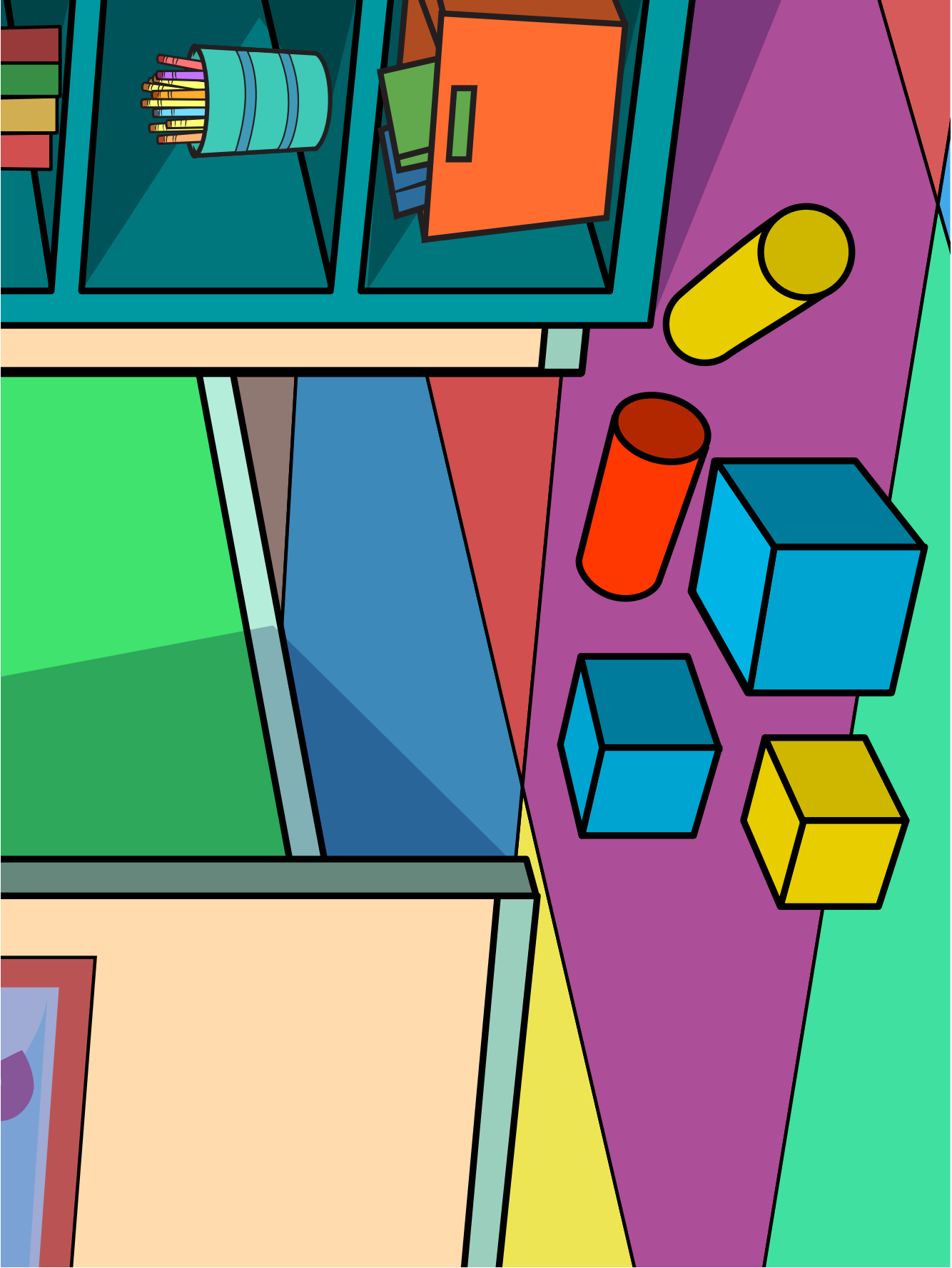
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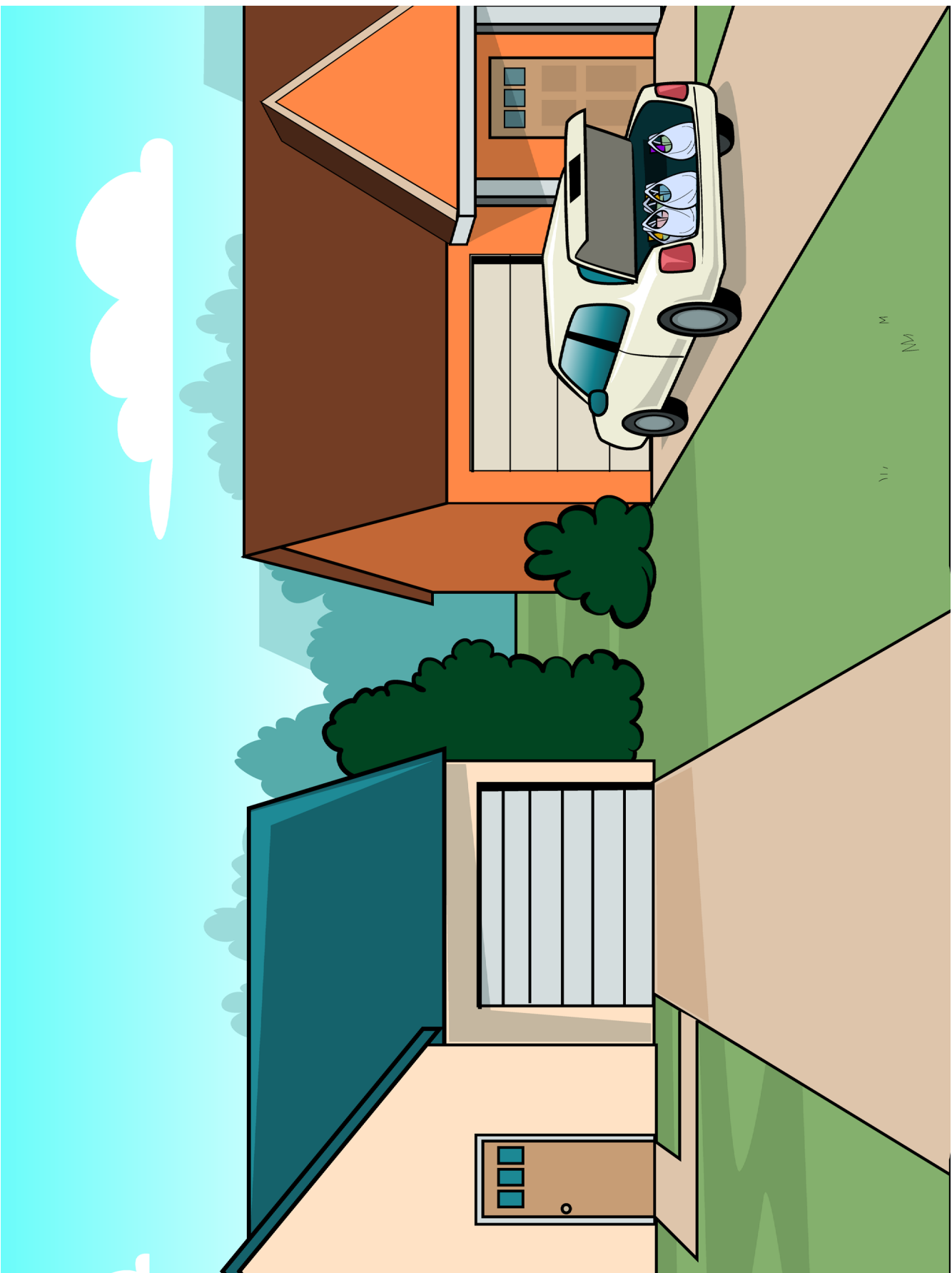
Park



Home



School



Neighborhood

