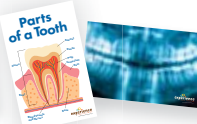


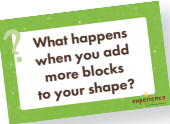
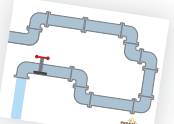


Community Helpers

WEEK 1 HEALTH & SAFETY

STEAM STATION	YOUR SUPPLIES	BIG QUESTION AND INSPIRATION PHOTOS	TEACHER TIPS
LESSON 1 Putting Out Fires SS 1a Culture & Community	Rocks Red/orange chalk Spray bottles filled with water	 	Invite the children to color the rocks with chalk, then spray them to “put out fires.” Pretend to be firefighters together.
LESSON 2 Doctor’s Office SS 1a Culture & Community CA 4a Drama	Gauze Bandages Syringes Blankets Dolls/stuffed animals	 	Set out a variety of doctor supplies, such as gauze, bandages, syringes and blankets. Set out dolls and stuffed animals as “patients.” Pretend to be doctors curing sick or injured patients.
LESSON 3 Traffic Police SS 1a Culture & Community PD 3 Safety CA 4a Drama	Cardboard Markers Rulers Tape	 	Set out cardboard, markers, rulers and tape to create traffic signs. Tape the signs onto rulers or sticks and take turns directing traffic with them.
LESSON 4 Pulling Teeth PD 4a Personal Care PD 2 Fine Motor	Playdough White pony beads Tweezers Floss Toothbrush	 	Roll out playdough balls to look like mouths and set them out. Press white beads into the dough to resemble teeth. Set out tweezers, floss and a toothbrush for the children to explore. Encourage the children to count the “teeth.” Remove one or two and recount.
LESSON 5 Bus Route SS 3a Geography	Boxes Cardboard strips Toy vehicles	 	Use boxes to make various buildings and create cardboard strip “roads” to connect them. Set out toy cars or buses in the block area. Talk about where buses might travel, e.g., to schools, malls, libraries or doctor’s offices.

WEEK 2 IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

LESSON 6 Post Office SCI 4 Technology CA 4a Drama LLD 7b Writing	Cardboard box Paper Envelopes Markers Postcards	 	Create a cardboard “mailbox” with a flap to open. Explore opening and closing things that have hinges or flaps. Practice writing letters or making marks on “postcards,” then pretend to mail them.
LESSON 7 Nuts & Bolts PD 2 Fine Motor SS 1a Culture & Community SCI 4 Technology	Plastic nuts and bolts or other connecting toys like linking cubes or bristle blocks	 	Set out a tray of plastic nuts and bolts or other connecting toys, like linking cubes or bristle blocks for the children to explore.
LESSON 8 Building Signs M 3 Shapes M 2a Spatial Awareness	Paper Markers Tape Blocks	 	Draw shapes on sheets of paper and hang them in the block area. Encourage the children to use the blocks or other building materials to build the shapes.
LESSON 9 Tossing Trash PD 1 Gross Motor M 6 Classification	Colored paper Boxes or trash cans Tape		Tape a sheet of colored paper onto boxes or trash cans of different sizes. Crumple up paper and explore tossing it into the matching color or size containers. Talk about sorting and recycling as the children play.
LESSON 10 Water Pipes SCI 3b Physical Science SS 1a Culture & Community	Plastic tubing or pieces of pipe Bin of water Nature items	 	Set out plastic tubing or pieces of pipe. Fill a bin with water. Set out nature items, then encourage the children to use the items to explore the way water pours and drops through pipes.

WEEK 3 DOWNTOWN

STEAM STATION	YOUR SUPPLIES	BIG QUESTION AND INSPIRATION PHOTOS	TEACHER TIPS
LESSON 11 Shipping Boxes M 2b Spatial Awareness SED 4a Problem-Solving	Variety of boxes Blocks Toys		Set out a variety of boxes, blocks and other toys. Encourage the children to explore stacking them inside one another. Invite them to package the toys into the boxes.
LESSON 12 Nature Soup SS 1a Culture & Community CA 4a Drama	Pots Different types of spoons Nature items		Encourage the children to use the nature items to explore stirring, splashing, straining, sinking and floating. Pretend to be chefs making a nature soup.
LESSON 13 Coin Investigation SS 2b Civics & Economics SCI 3b Physical Science CA 3b Visual Arts	Various coins Playdough Paper Crayons	 	Encourage the children to press coins into playdough and explore different imprints. Experiment with making coin rubbings.
LESSON 14 Comb Exploration SCI 3b Physical Science PD 4a Personal Care	Variety of combs, brushes, picks Bins Sand Dirt	 	Set out a variety of combs, brushes and picks. Fill tubs with different materials, such as sand and dirt. Encourage the children to explore combing through the different textures.
LESSON 15 Go Shopping SS 2b Civics & Economics SS 3a Geography CA 4a Drama	Cardboard boxes Shopping bags, carts, baskets Items for shops Paper Markers	 	Use the cardboard boxes to create various shops, like a bakery or clothing store. Encourage the children to buy and sell items.

WEEK 4 CREATIVE CAREERS

LESSON 16 Bottle Musicians CA 1a Music SCI 3b Physical Science	Containers with lids Small items Water Sand Spoons or sticks		Fill small containers with water or sand and small items, like rice, paper clips and beads. Secure the lids. Set out spoons or sticks and encourage the children to shake, tap and explore the different sounds they make.
LESSON 17 Puppet Theater CA 4a Drama LLD 2a & LLD 2b Communication	Cardboard box Fabric or paper Puppets Stuffed animals or craft stick puppets	 	Set up a puppet theater. Make a stage with a cardboard box and fabric. Set out toy puppets, stick puppets or stuffed animals. Encourage the children to stage shows while the other children watch in the audience.
LESSON 18 Dance Course CA 2a Dance & Movement PD 1 Gross Motor	Toy hoops	 	Set out hoops to create an obstacle course. Encourage the children to explore different ways to dance in and out of the hoops.
LESSON 19 Letter Towers LLD 4 Alphabetic Knowledge LLD 3c Phonological Awareness PD 2 Fine Motor	Paper Marker Tape Blocks	 	Write the alphabet on scrap pieces of paper and tape each one to a block. Encourage the children to explore stacking, constructing, ordering or sorting the blocks.
LESSON 20 Still-Life Drawings SCI 2a Natural & Earth Science SCI 3b Physical Science CA 3a Visual Arts	Clipboards Paper Markers/crayons Nature items	 	Provide clipboards with blank paper. Go outside with the clipboards or set up a variety of nature items. Encourage the children to study the items, then draw them. Display their drawings.

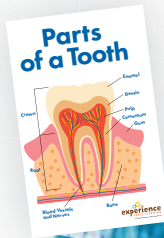
Set-Up Directions

These open-ended STEAM stations invite children to investigate, problem-solve and create.

- Hang the Big Question and Inspiration Photos on the wall next to the place you set up the investigation.
- Use the labels to identify and organize materials children will use (and clean up) as they explore STEAM stations.

ROTATING YOUR STATIONS

- Introduce one new STEAM station daily. Leave that station set up all week. By the end of the week, children will have five stations to explore.



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**How would
you help people
if there was a fire?**



**Where does
it hurt?**



**What traffic
signs do you see?**



**How many teeth
do you have?**



**How can you
build a bus stop?**



**How do you
know the mail has
been delivered?**



**How can you
twist or connect
the pieces to make
a building?**



**What happens
when you add
more blocks
to your shape?**



**What colors do
you see in
the “trash?”**



**How do
pipes work?**



**How do you
stack boxes?**



**What happens
when you stir fast?
What about slow?**



**What do you
notice when you
rub a crayon over
the paper and coin?**



**How do brushes
and combs work?**



**What would
you like to buy?**



**What different
sounds can
you make?**



**What is your
puppet's name?**



**What moves
can you dance?**



**How can you
sort the letters?**



**What nature
items did
you draw?**

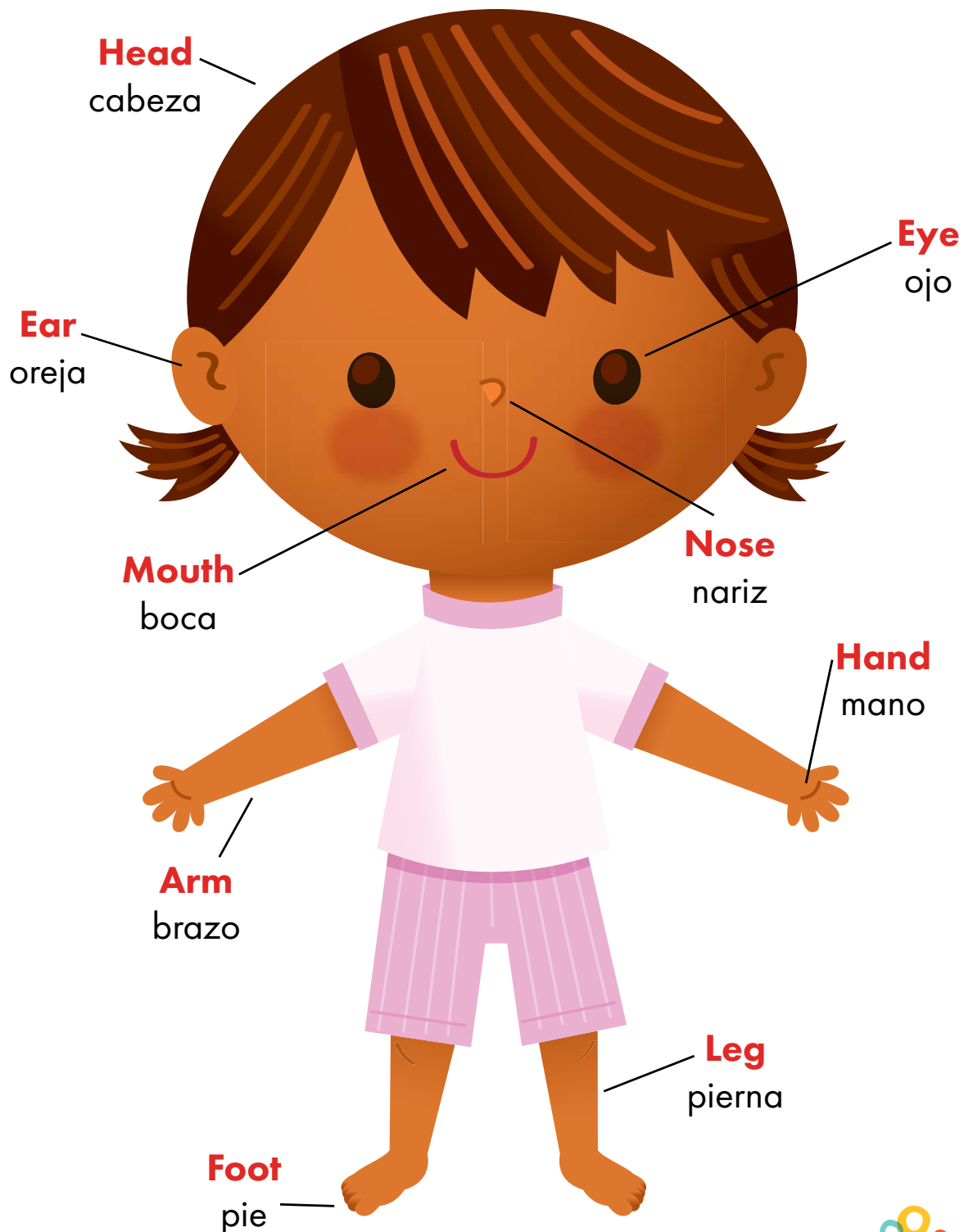


DOCTOR'S



OFFICE

Parts of the Body



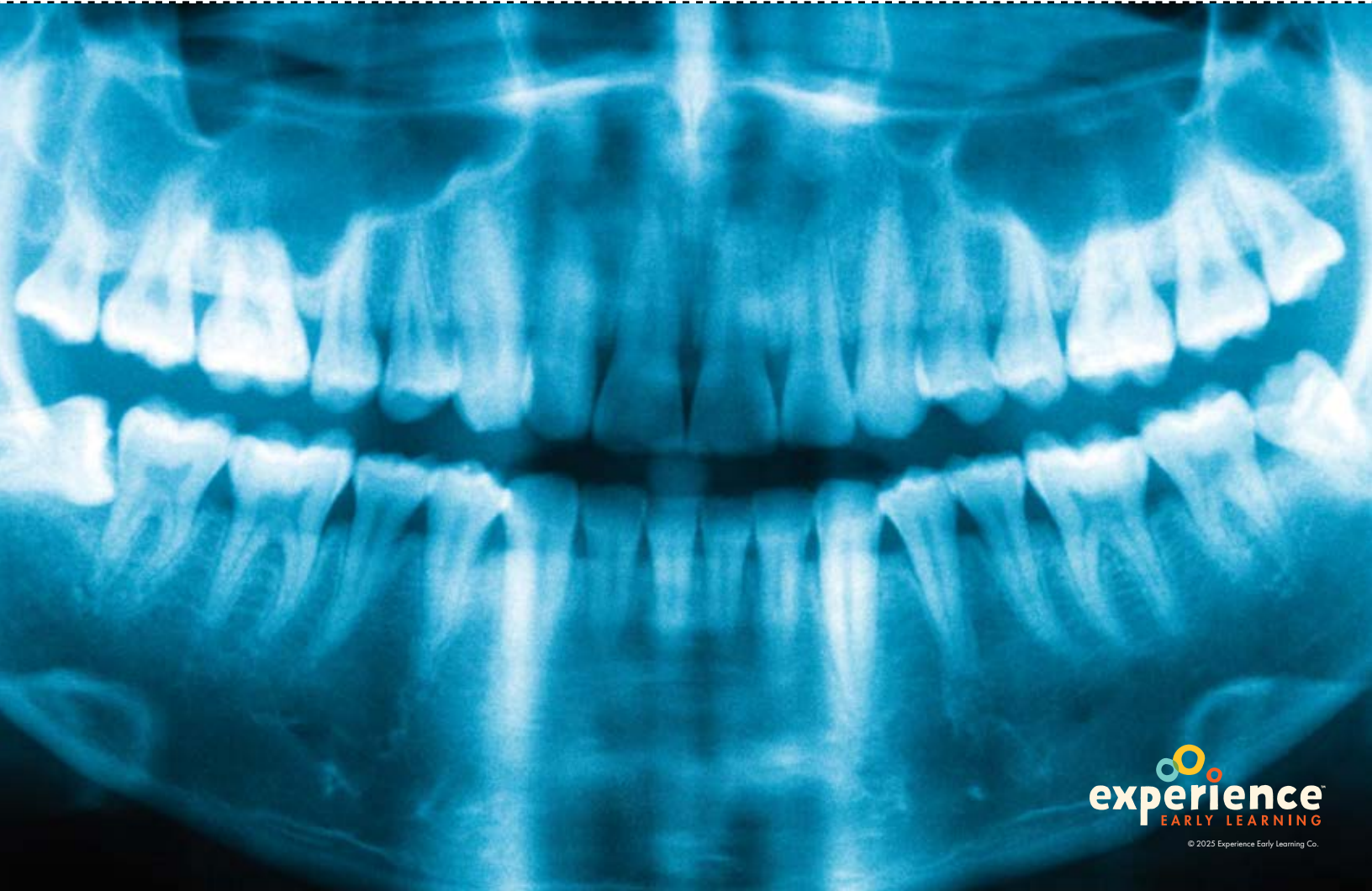
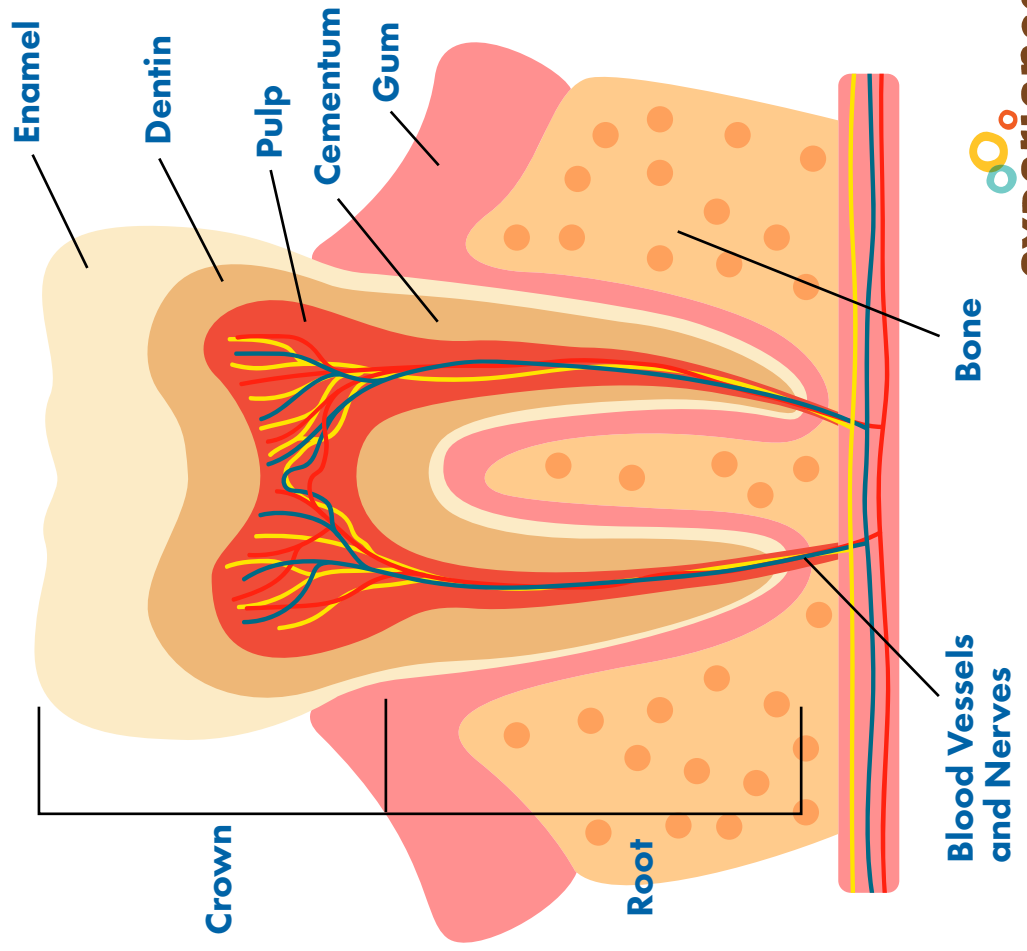
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Signs

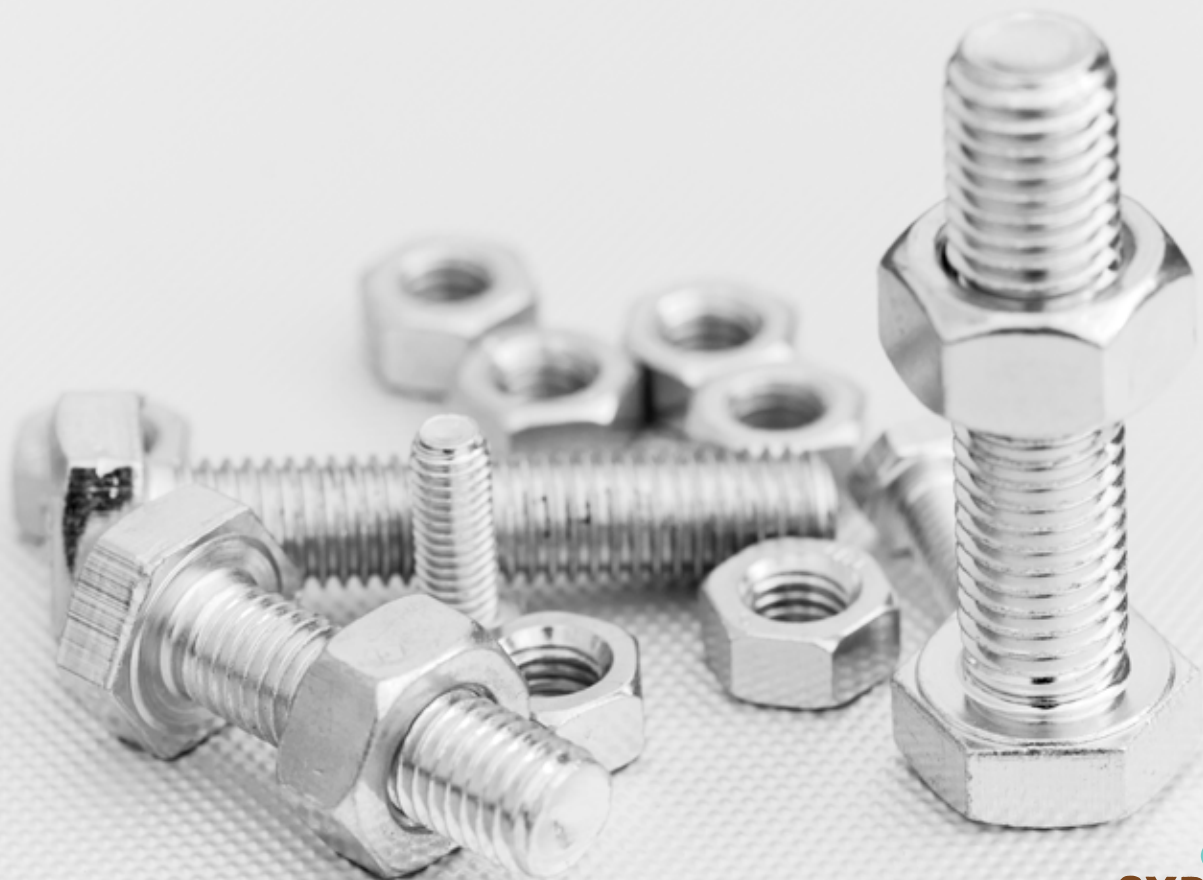




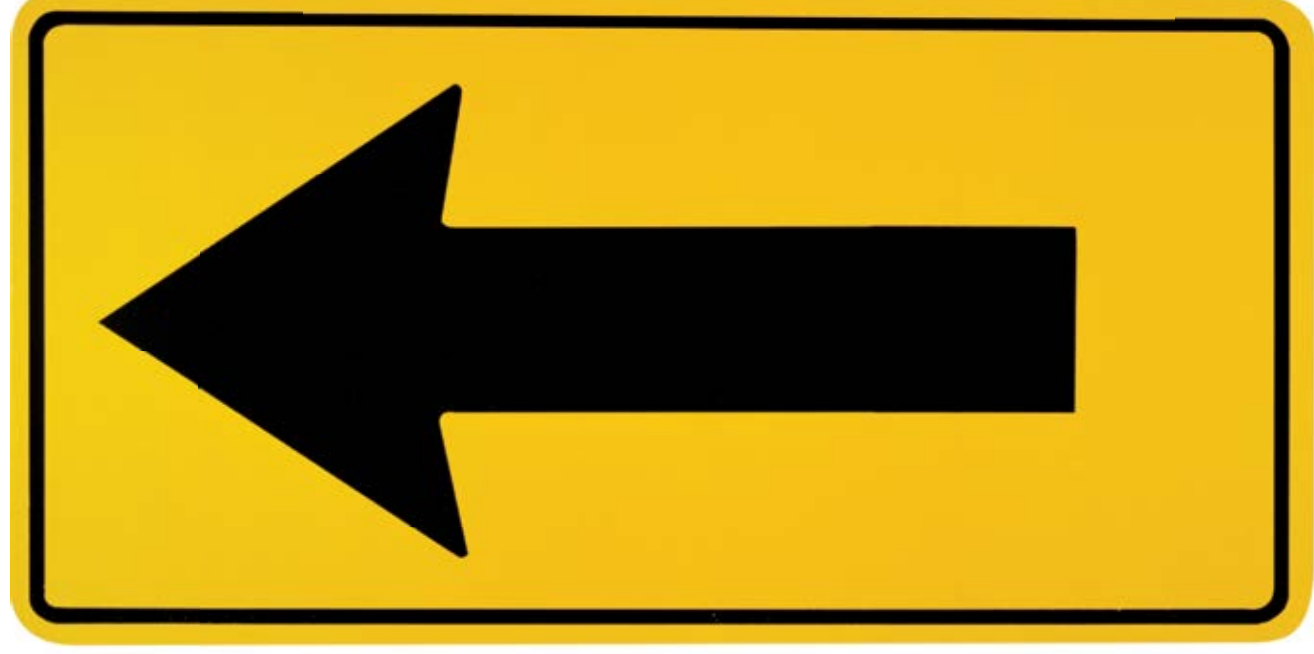
Parts of a Tooth







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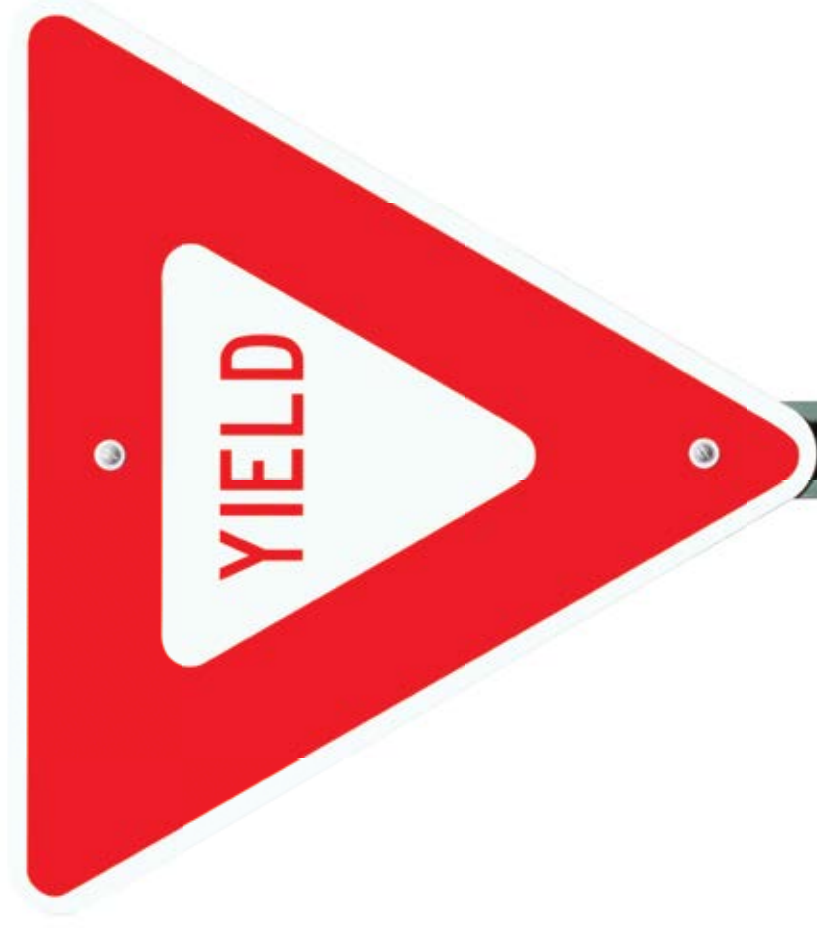
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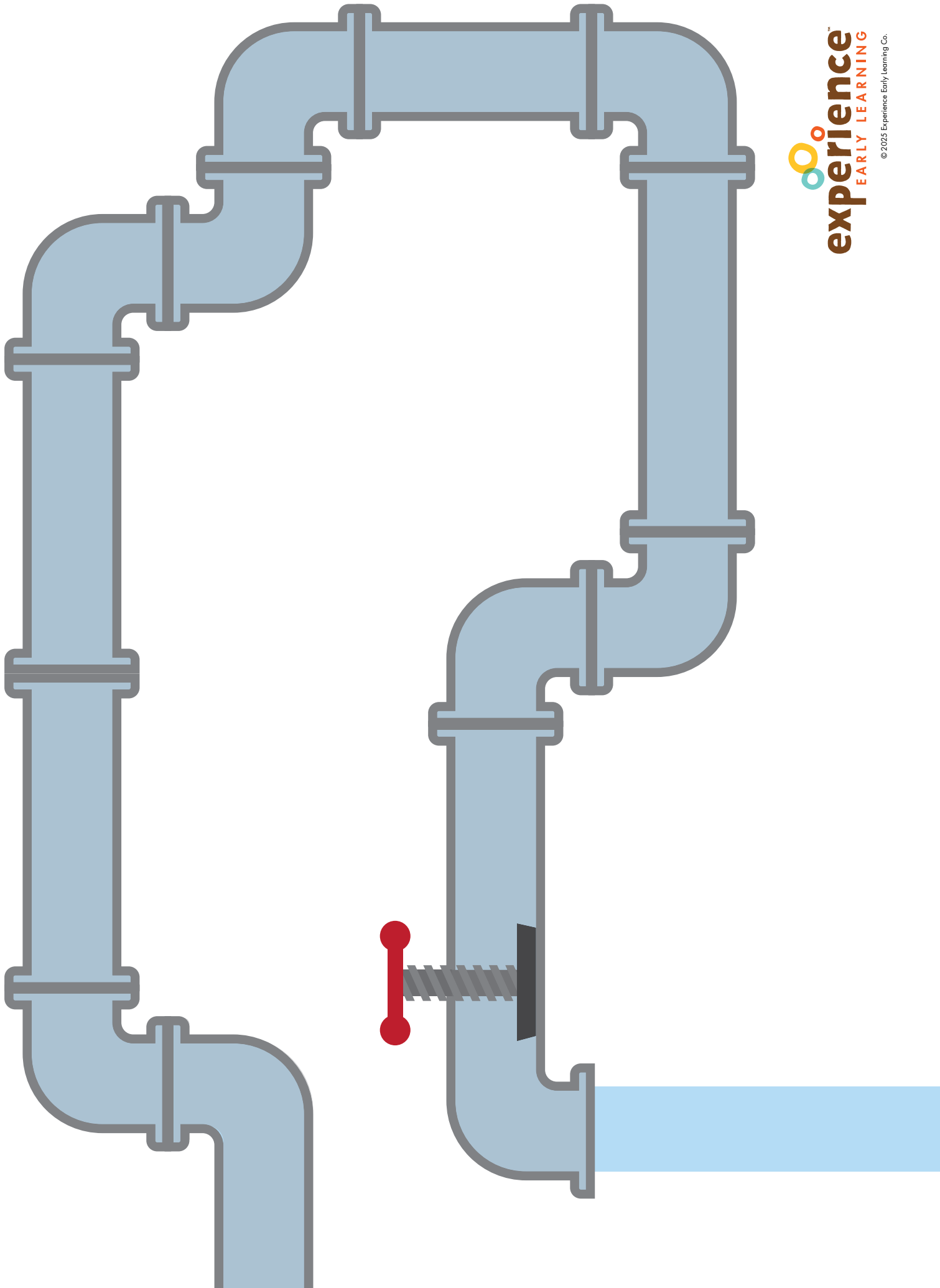


**Can you build
an octagon?**



**Can you build
a triangle?**







Coins of the United States



Nickel

5¢



Penny

1¢



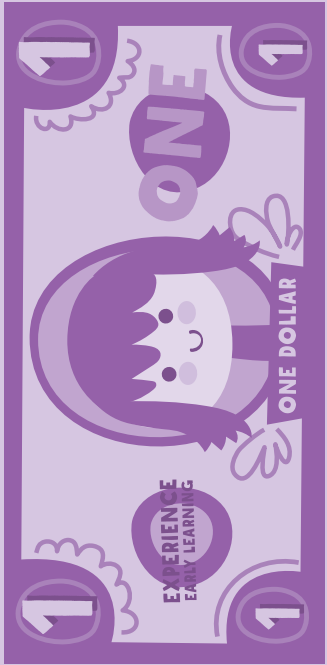
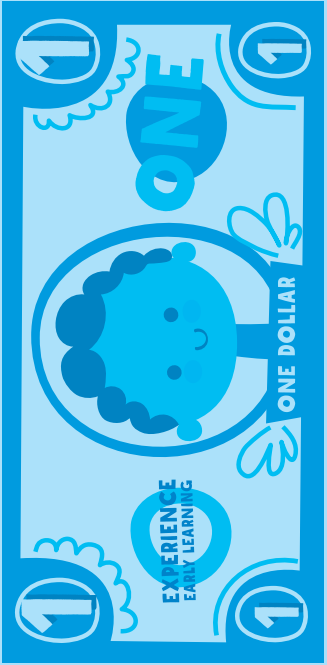
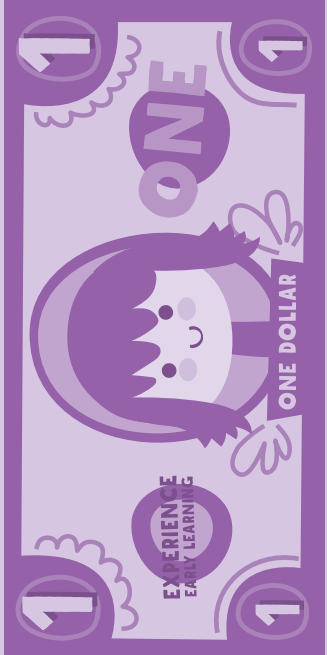
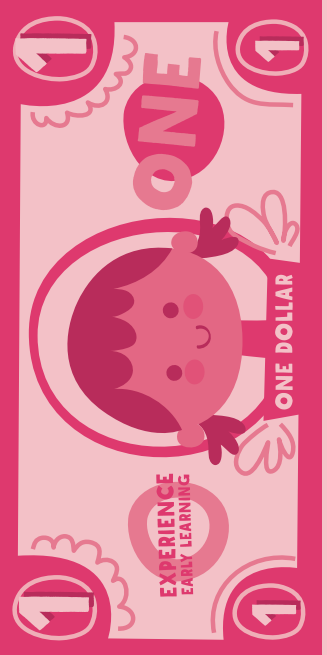
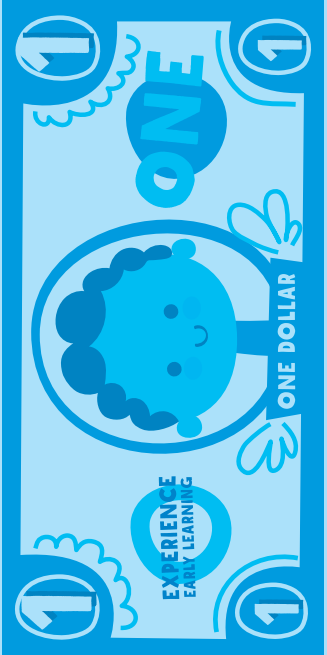
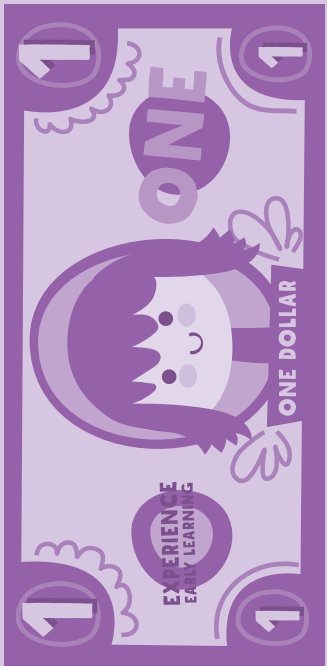
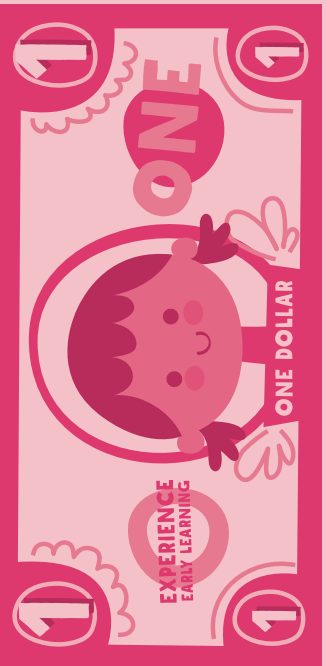
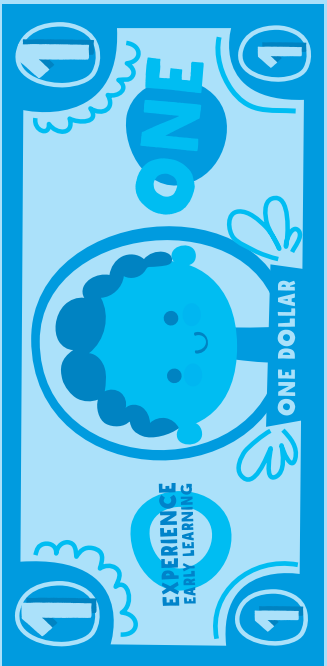
Quarter

25¢



Dime

10¢





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\$2



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Welcome to the
Puppet
Show



UPPER BODY



clap

clap



grab

grab



shake

shake



roll

roll



swing

swing



reach

reach



shoulders

shoulders

LOWER BODY



squat

squat



jump

jump



knee lift

knee lift



kick

kick



tap

tap



tippy toes

tippy toes



slide

slide

CORE



pump

pump



bend

bend



twist

twist

HEAD



nod

nod



tilt

tilt



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