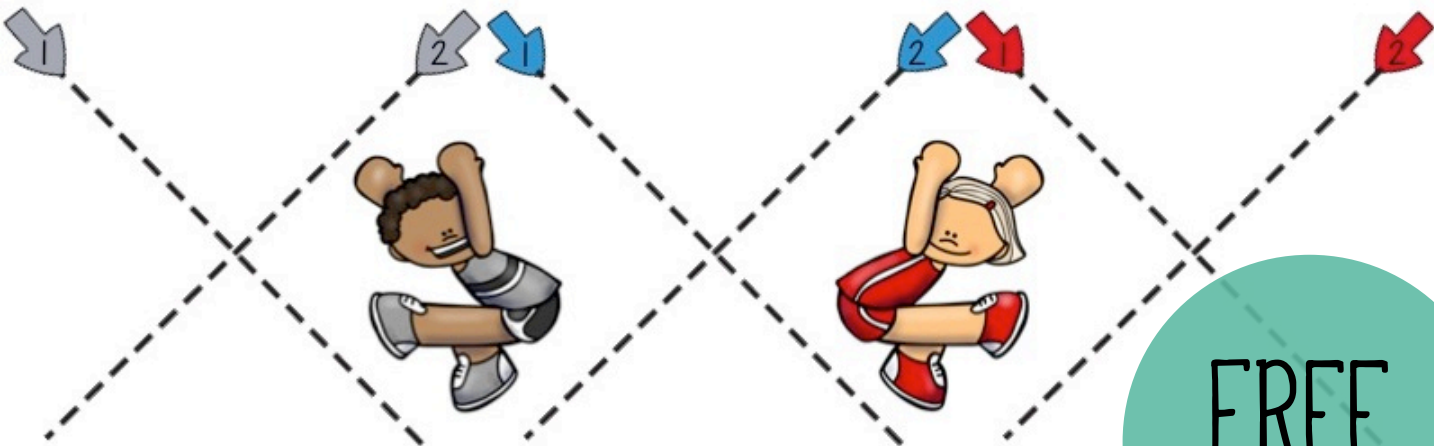
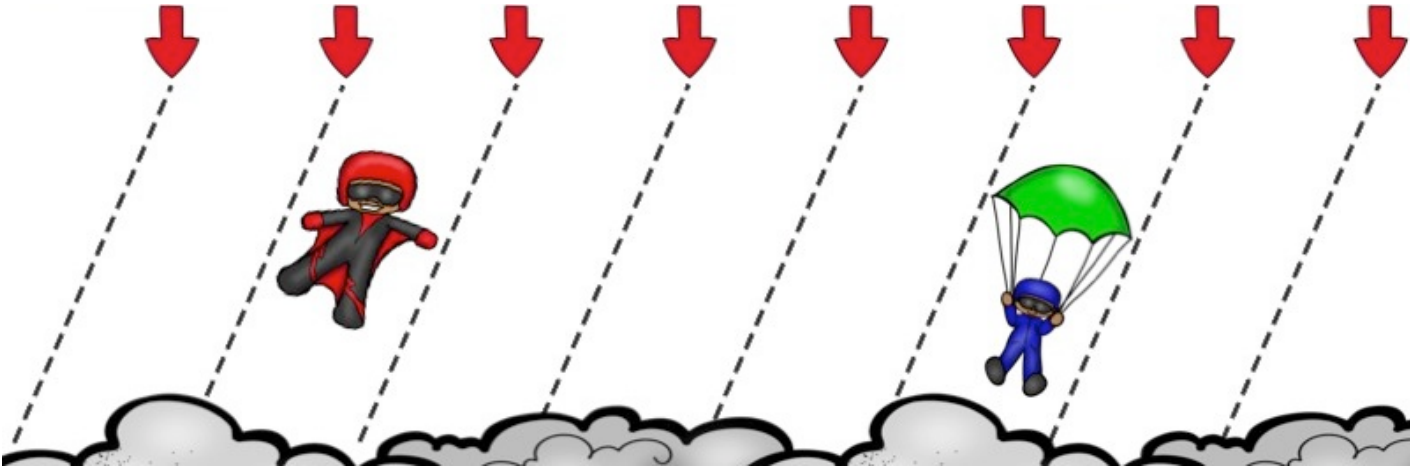
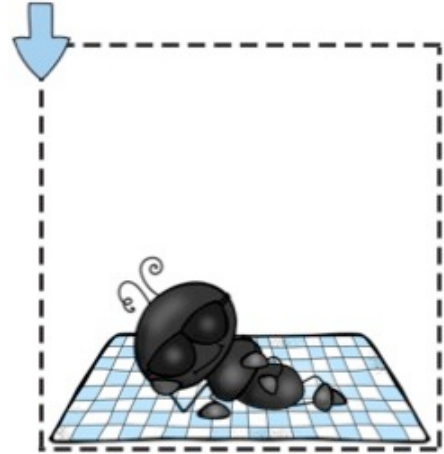
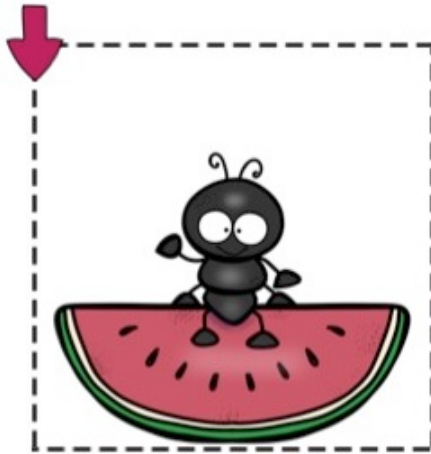
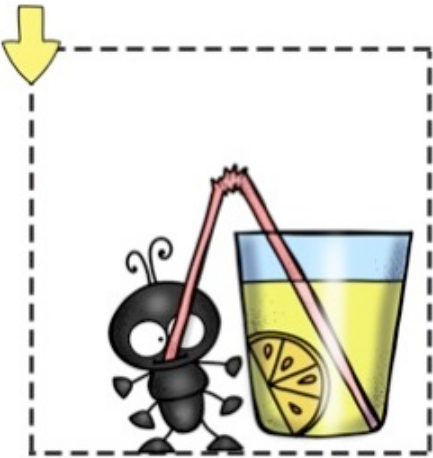


PRE-WRITING SKILLS

TRACING LINES



FREE

TEACHER NOTES

Preparation:

- Print off the chosen tracing pages onto card, cut and then laminate in order to re-use with dry erase markers or with little fingers tracing over the lines.
- The black and white versions are great for one-time use using pencils or markers. Children can color the pictures if they like, they are there to create more visually interesting line tracing activities to help increase the level of engagement.
- The arrows are a starting place, and to encourage children to practice going in different directions for greater dexterity.

Why trace lines?

There are many ways to encourage the development of fine motor skills - tracing lines is just one. For more information on the importance of pre-writing skills and what they are, please visit **THIS POST** on my blog. It's based on research and has links to many other free pre-writing skills activities that you might find useful.

The poster on the following page can be used while talking to parents about the benefits of 'doodling' in this way, or just to hang up on the wall in front of a sand tray to encourage children to practice these kinds of movements with their fingers.

I hope your children enjoy these line tracing activities!

If you're looking for more line tracing activities you can find the pack below in my **TPT STORE**. It covers all the essential lines and shapes recommended for pre-writers.

I wish you happy teaching and learning!

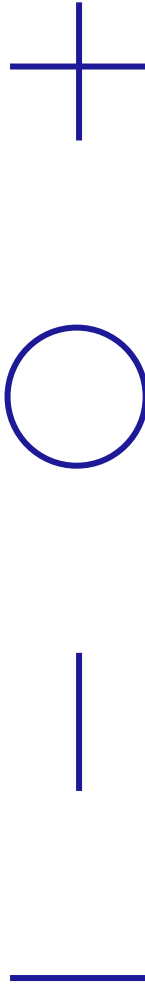
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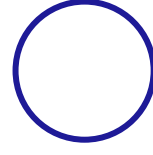
Children should be able to form these 9 pre-writing strokes before asking them to write.



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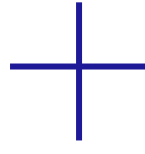
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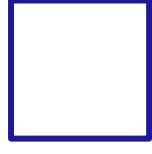
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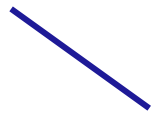


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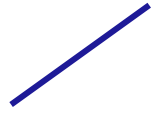


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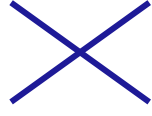
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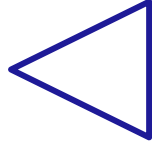
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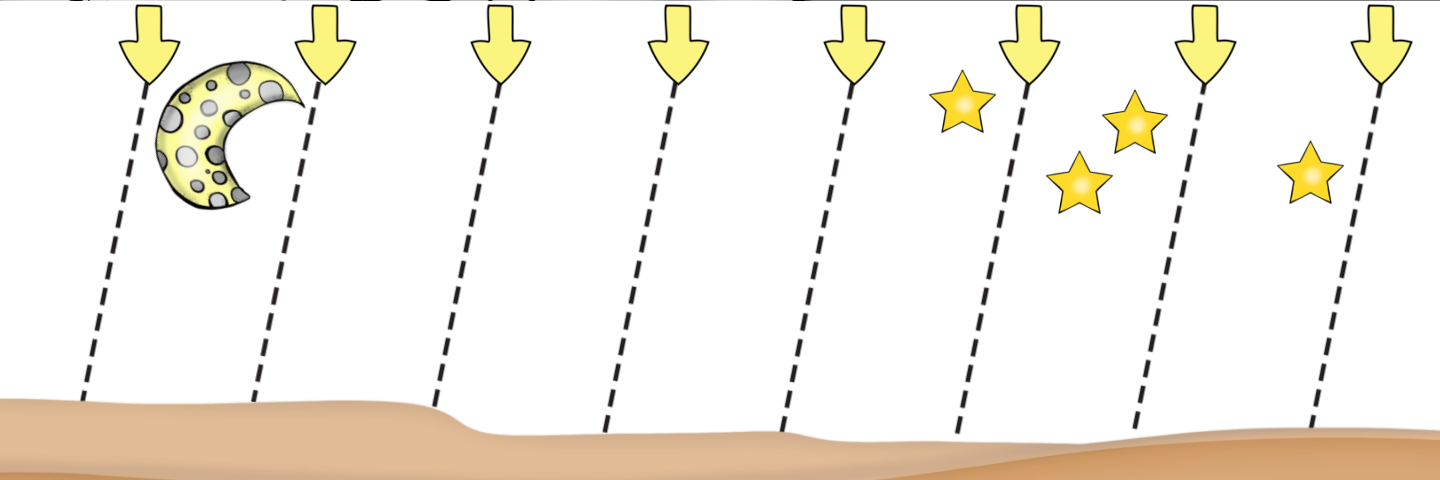
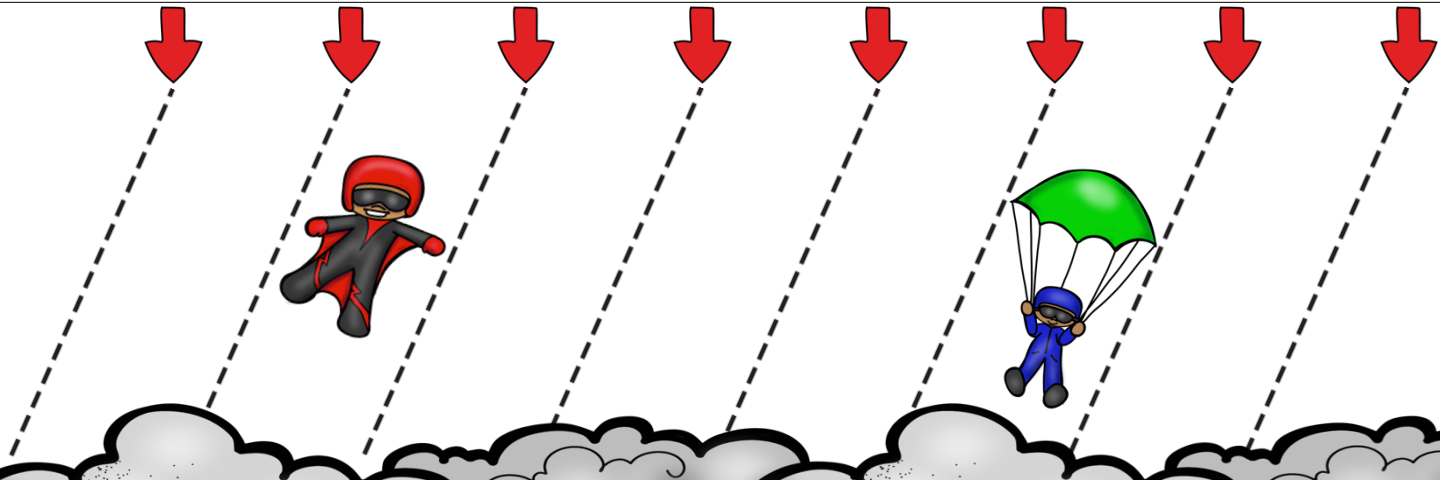
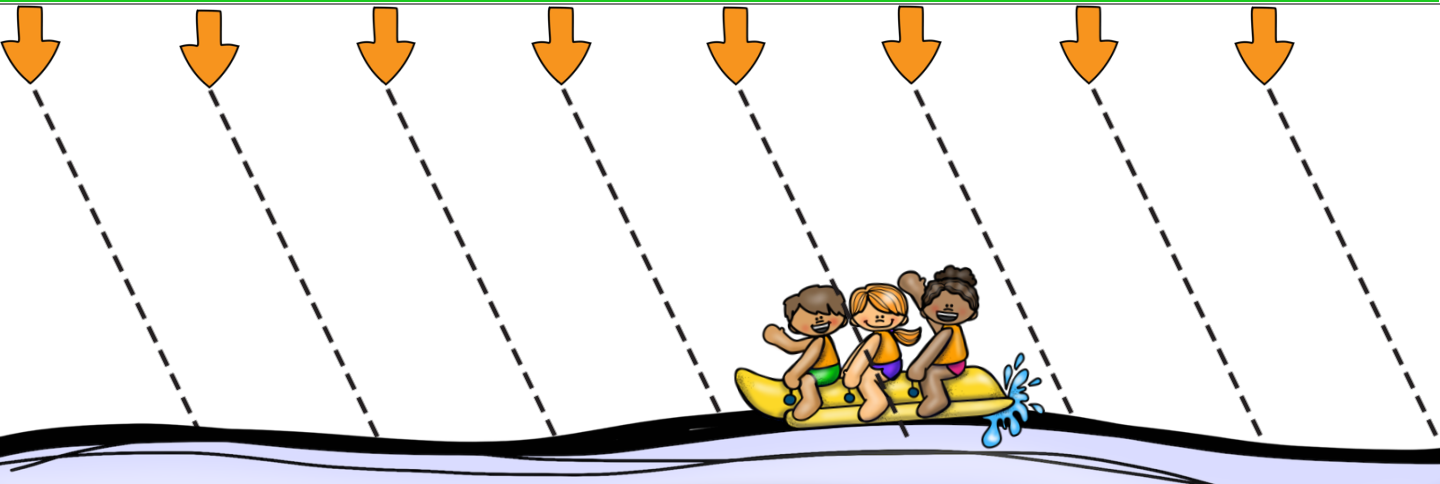
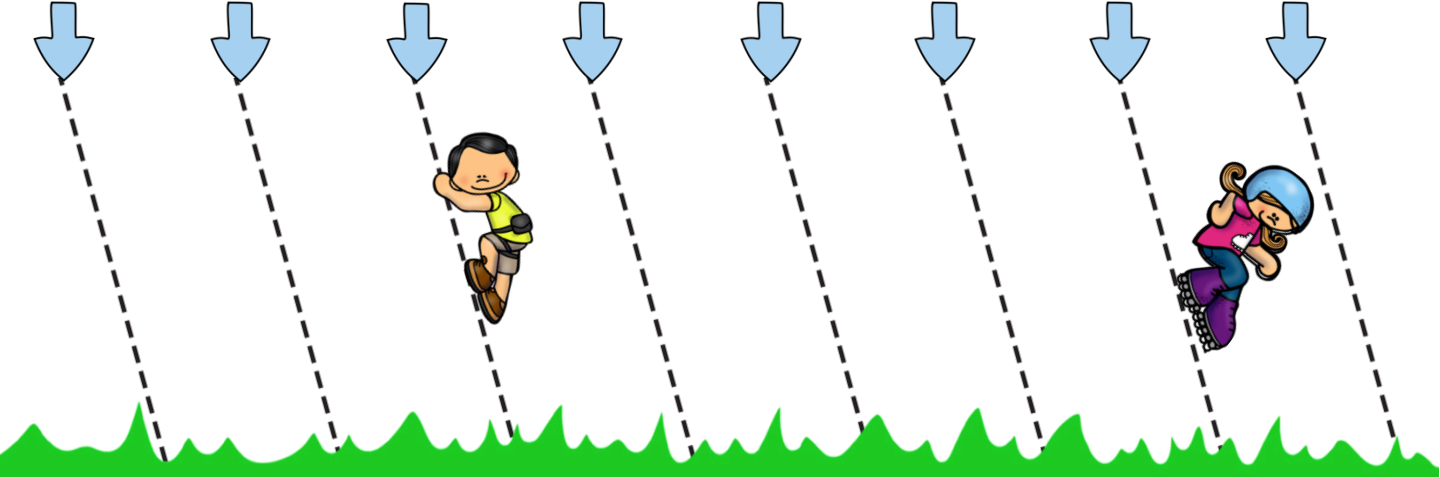
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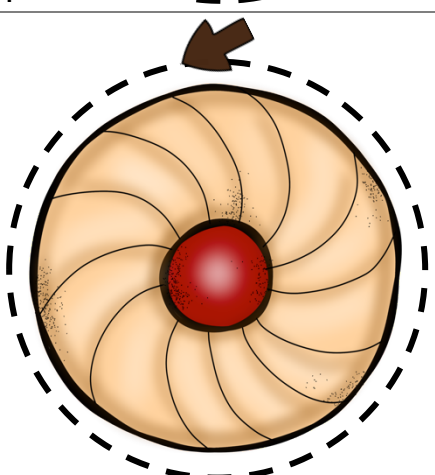
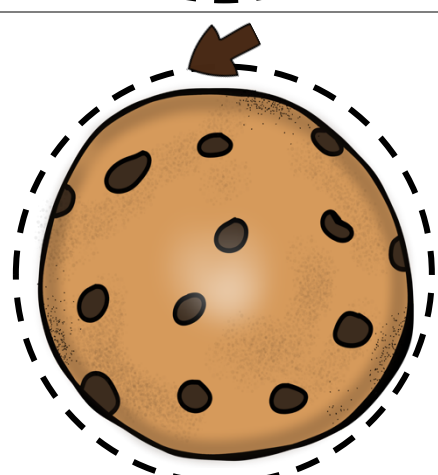
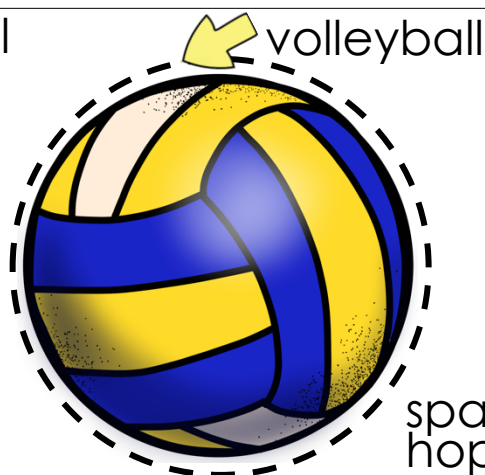
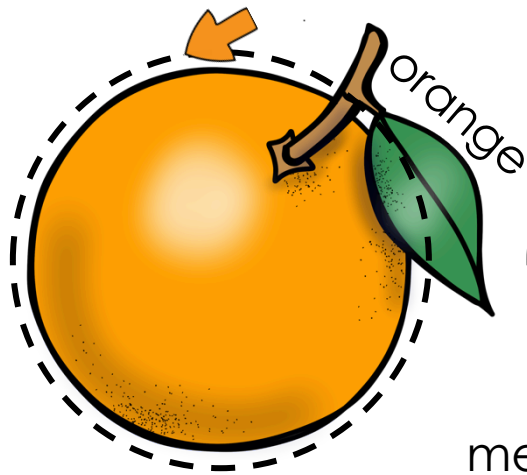


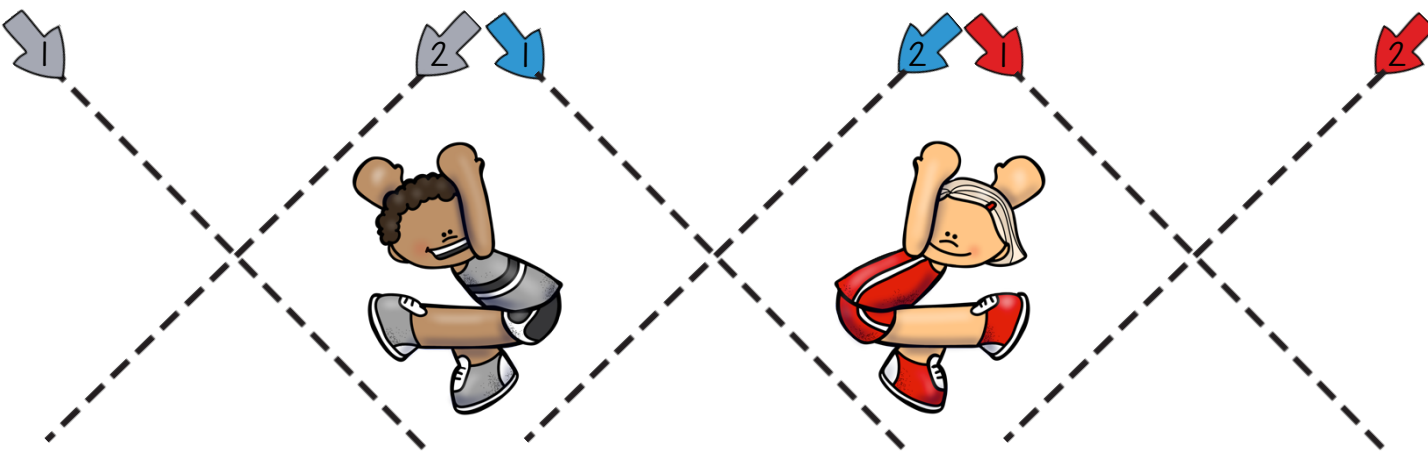
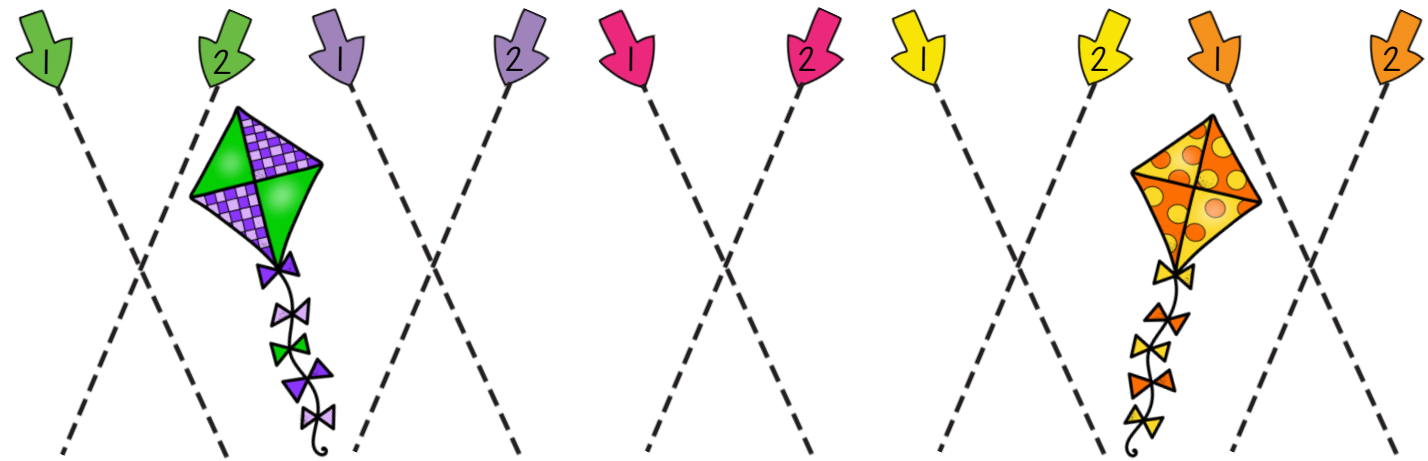
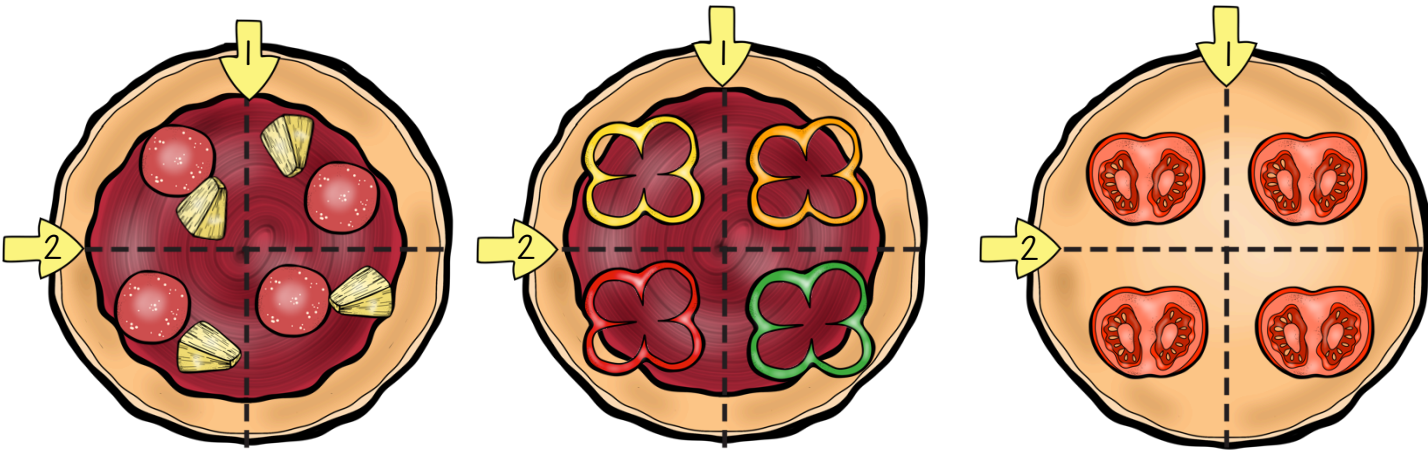
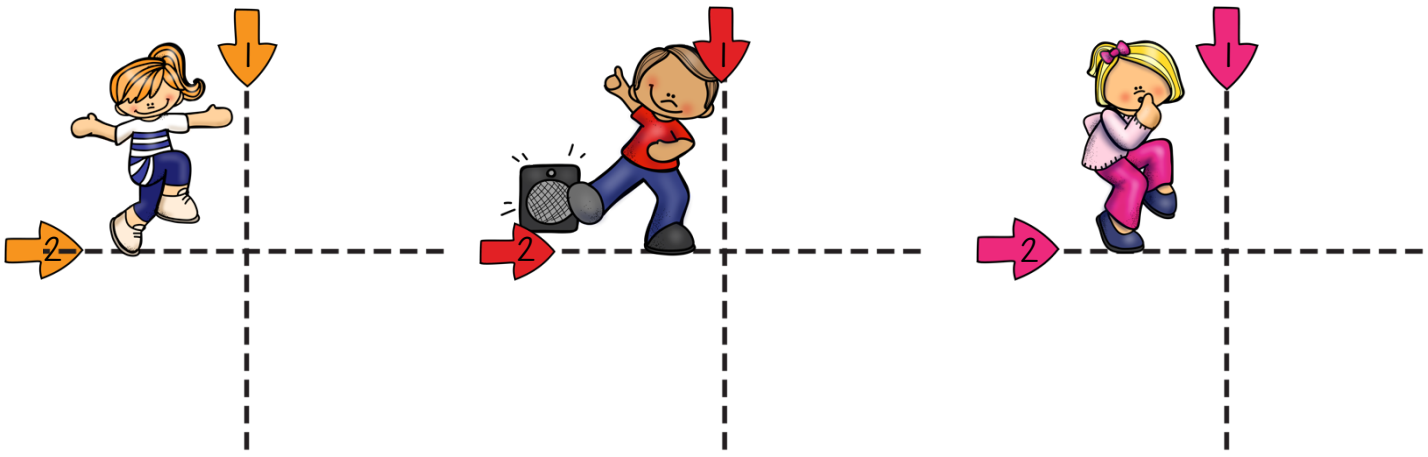
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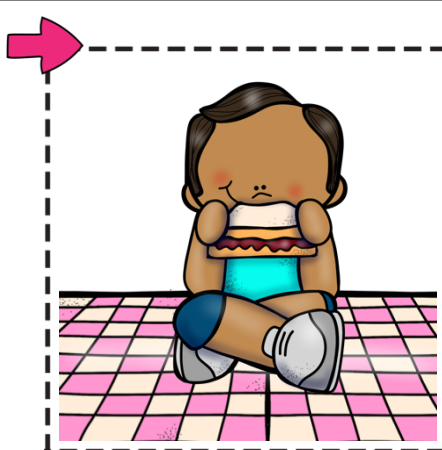
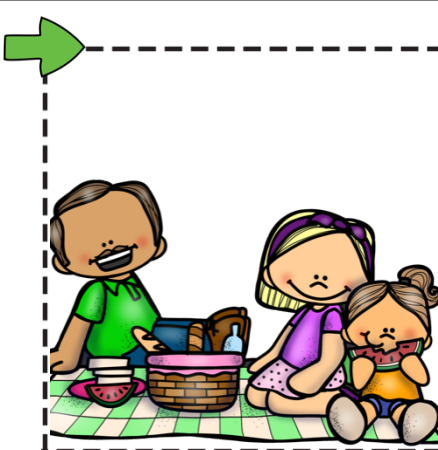
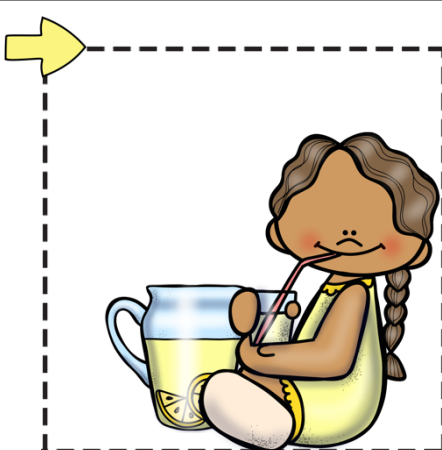
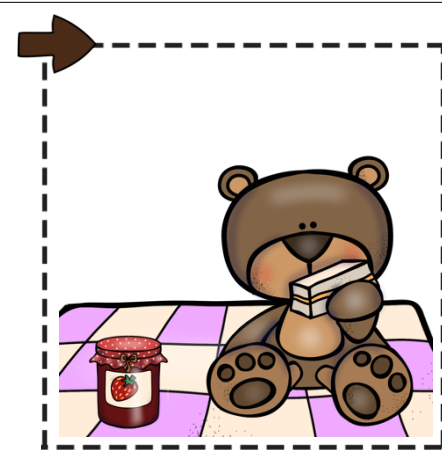
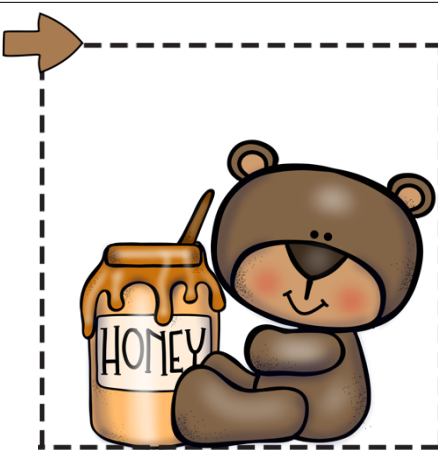
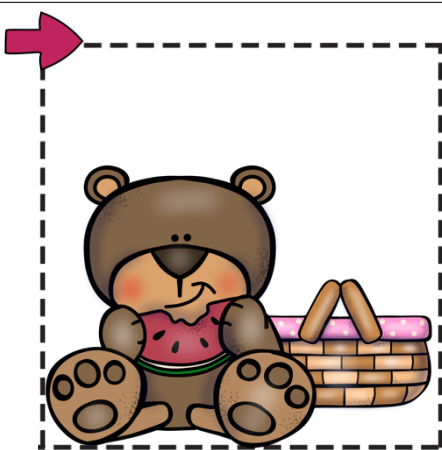
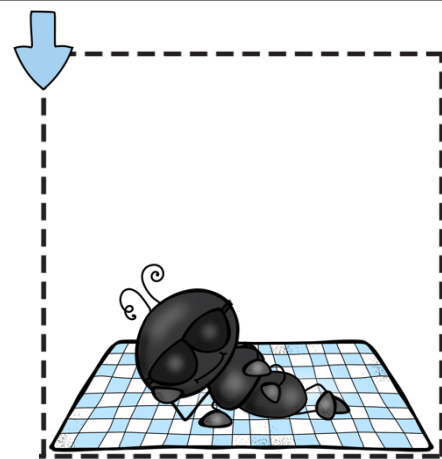
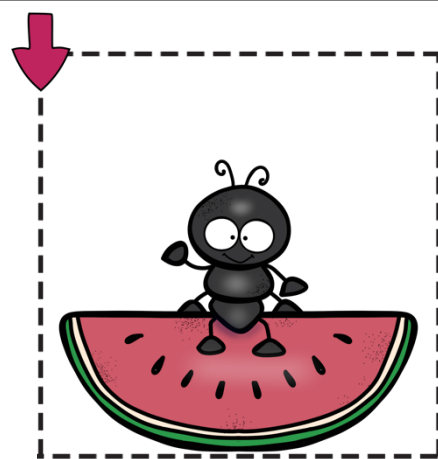
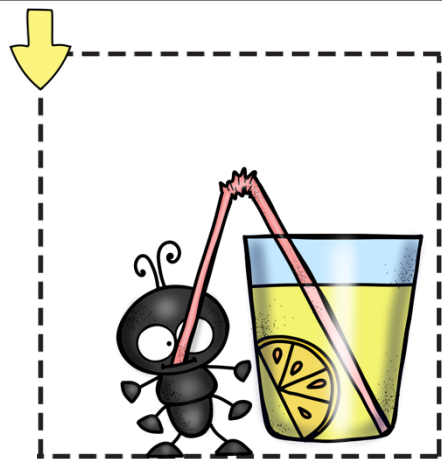
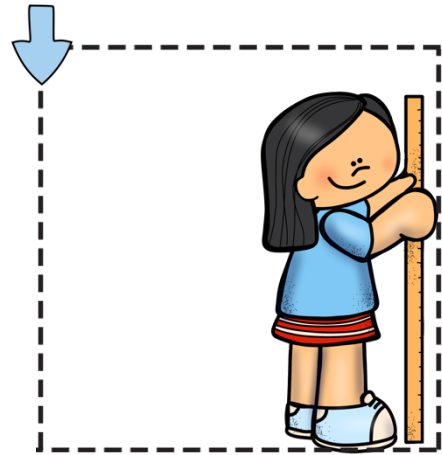
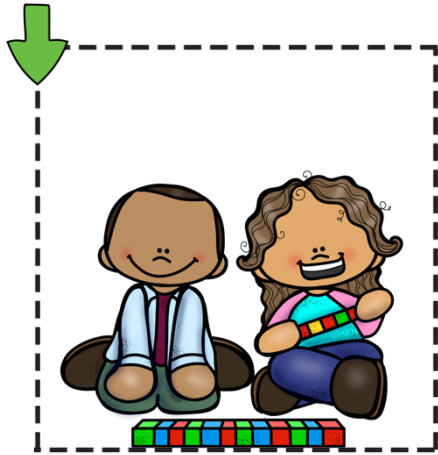
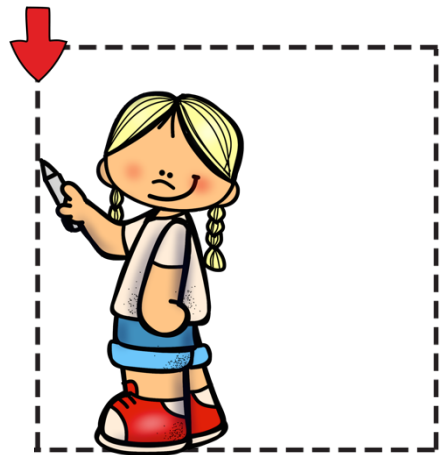
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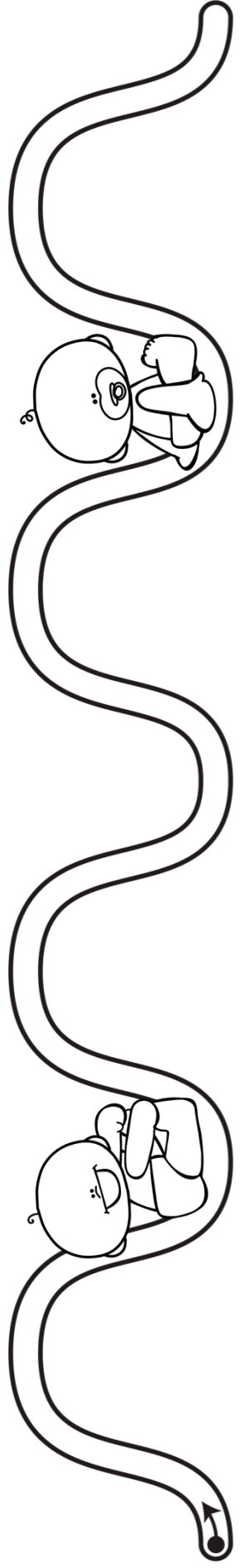
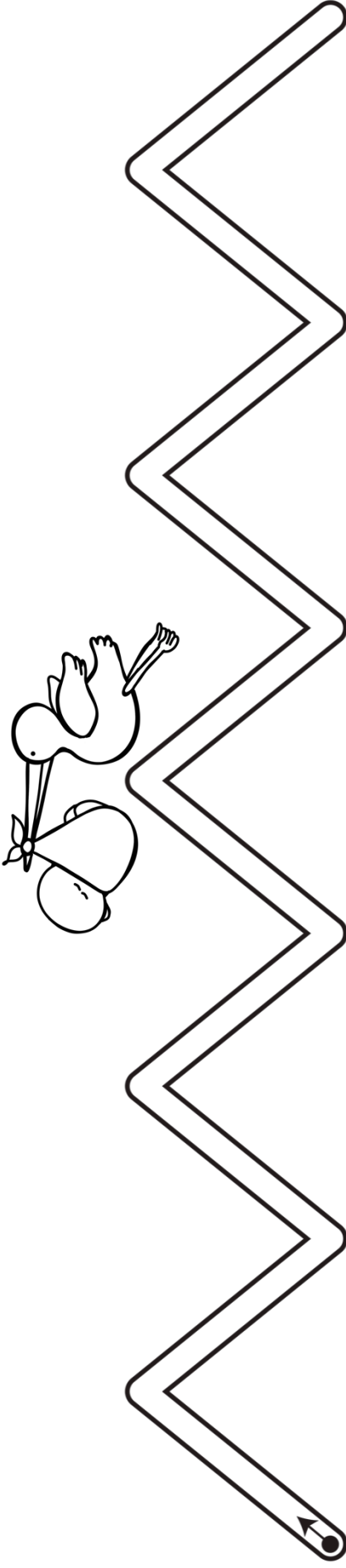
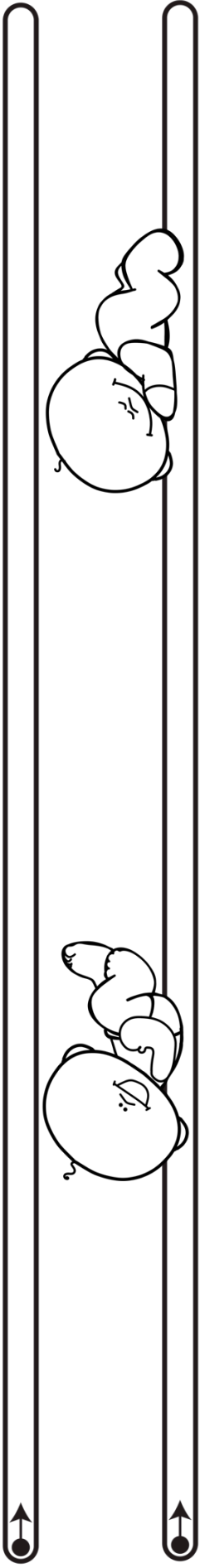
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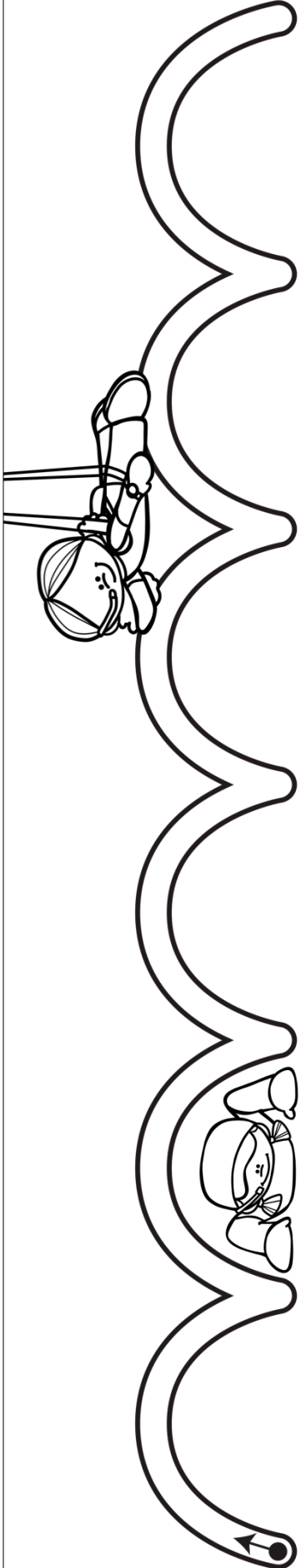
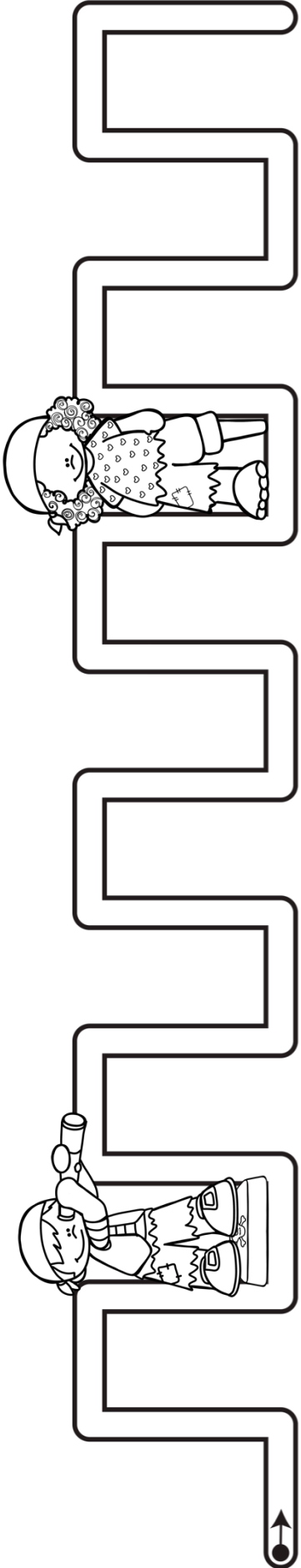












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 Pointer points to the tip,
 Middle finger uses its side,
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