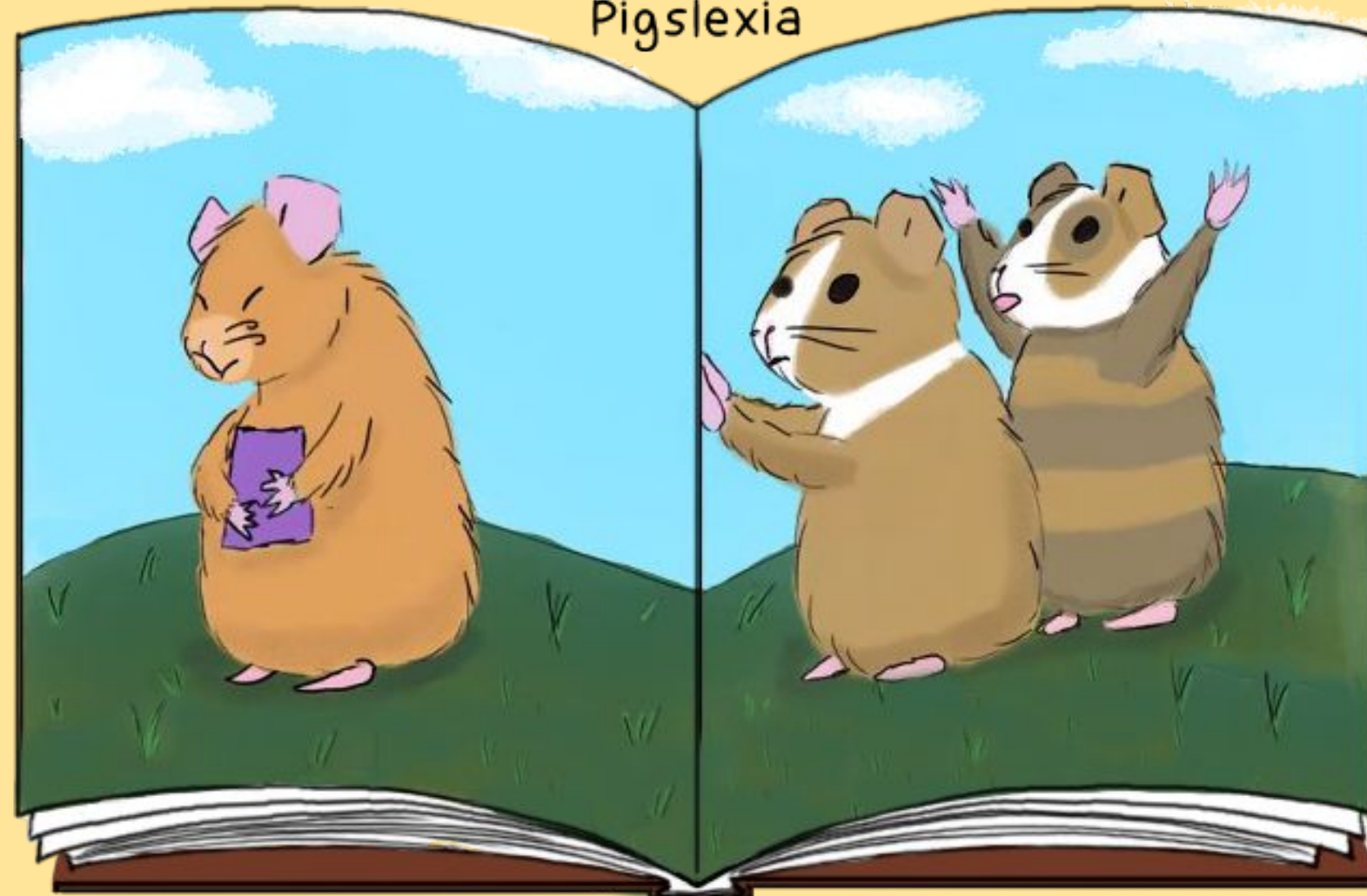


Pigslexia



Story & Illustrations  
by Courtney Flokos

## About the book

Pigslexia is about teaching children, or anyone, about dyslexia. The goal of the book is to offer a fun way to learn about dyslexia and the use of puzzles helps reinforce what was learned. Pigslexia is also dyslexic friendly, meaning that children and people who have dyslexia will be able to enjoy the book. For example, this font is easy to read for people with dyslexia!

## Dedication

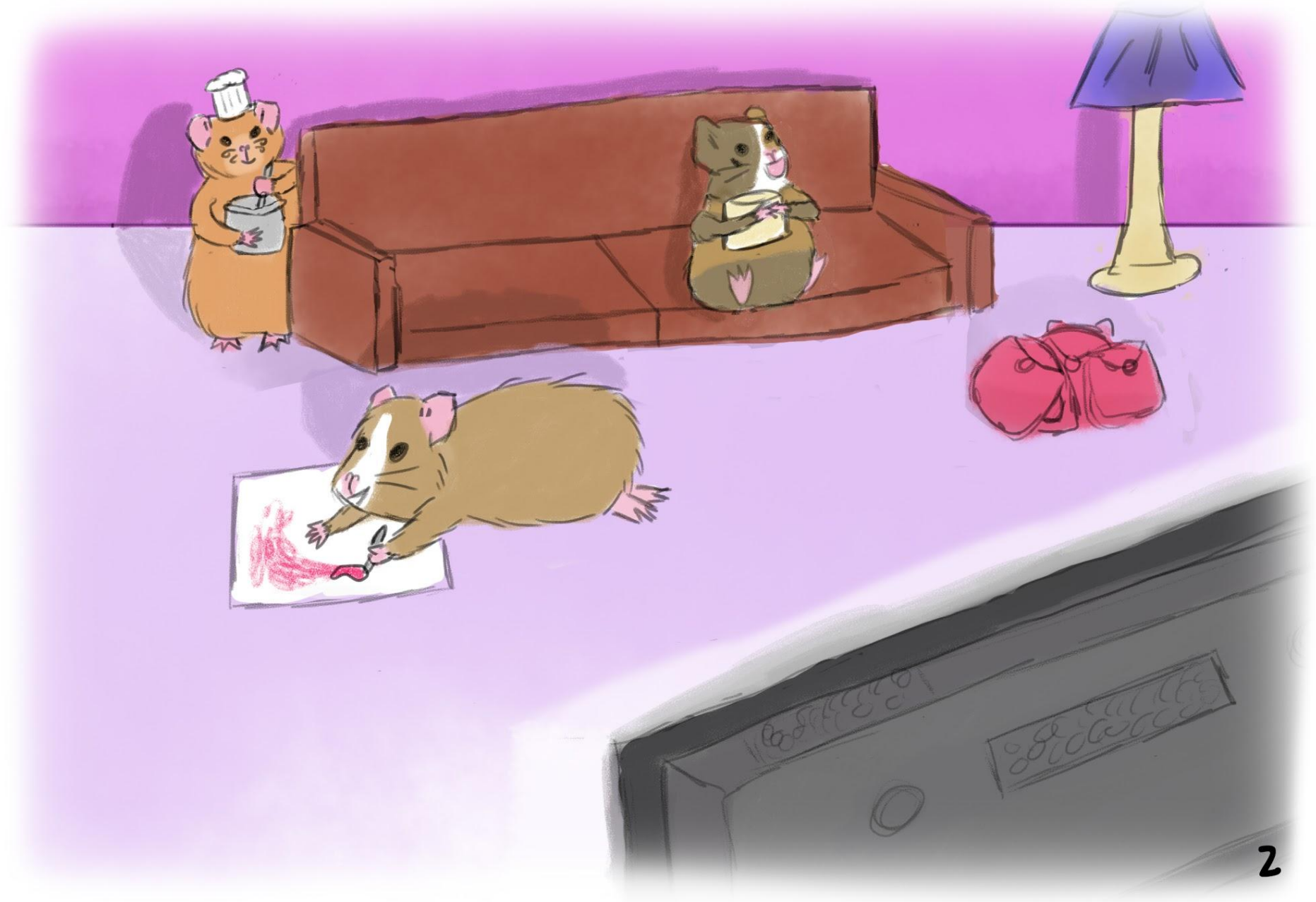
I would like to dedicate this book to all the people in the world who have dyslexia.

I also would like to dedicate this book to my wonderful guinea pig Tootsie Roll. She has brought me happiness even in hard times, I hope she brings you happiness as well.

There once were three piggies.

They were the best of friends.

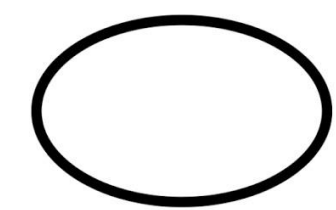
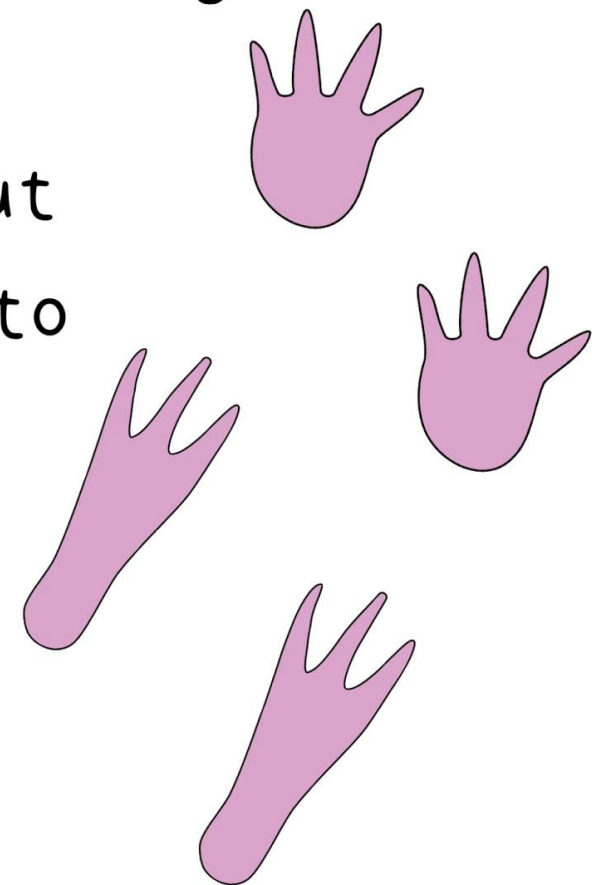
Their names were Tootsie, Curry,  
and Mocha.



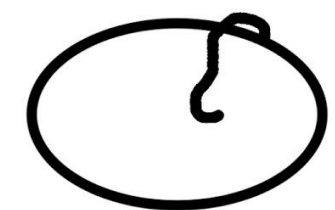
The piggies would like to teach you how to draw a simple guinea pig!

Many children with and without dyslexia enjoy art as a way to express themselves.

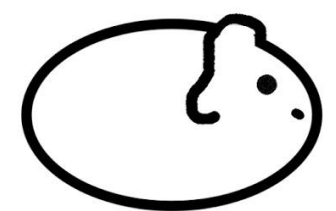
Have fun and be creative.



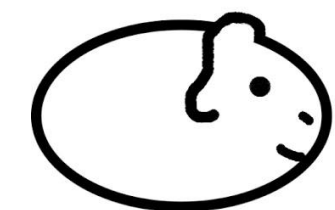
1. Draw an Oval for the Body



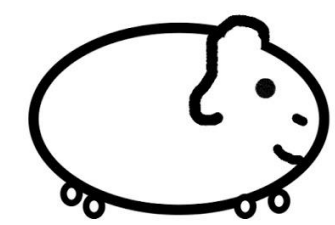
2. Draw a lumpy half circle for the ear



3. Draw a circle near the ear for the eye and draw a dash below the eye for a nose



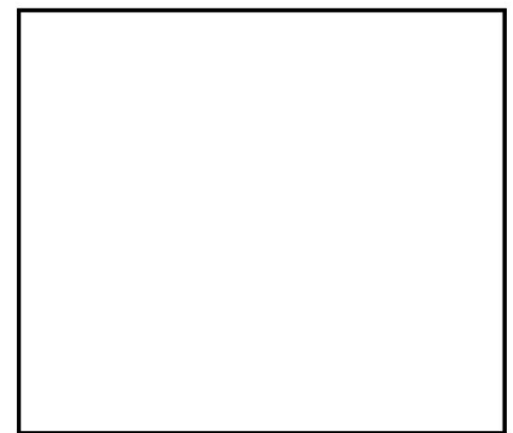
4. Draw a smile under the nose



5. Draw little ovals under the body for feet



6. Color your pig



Draw your own pig!



They did everything  
together.

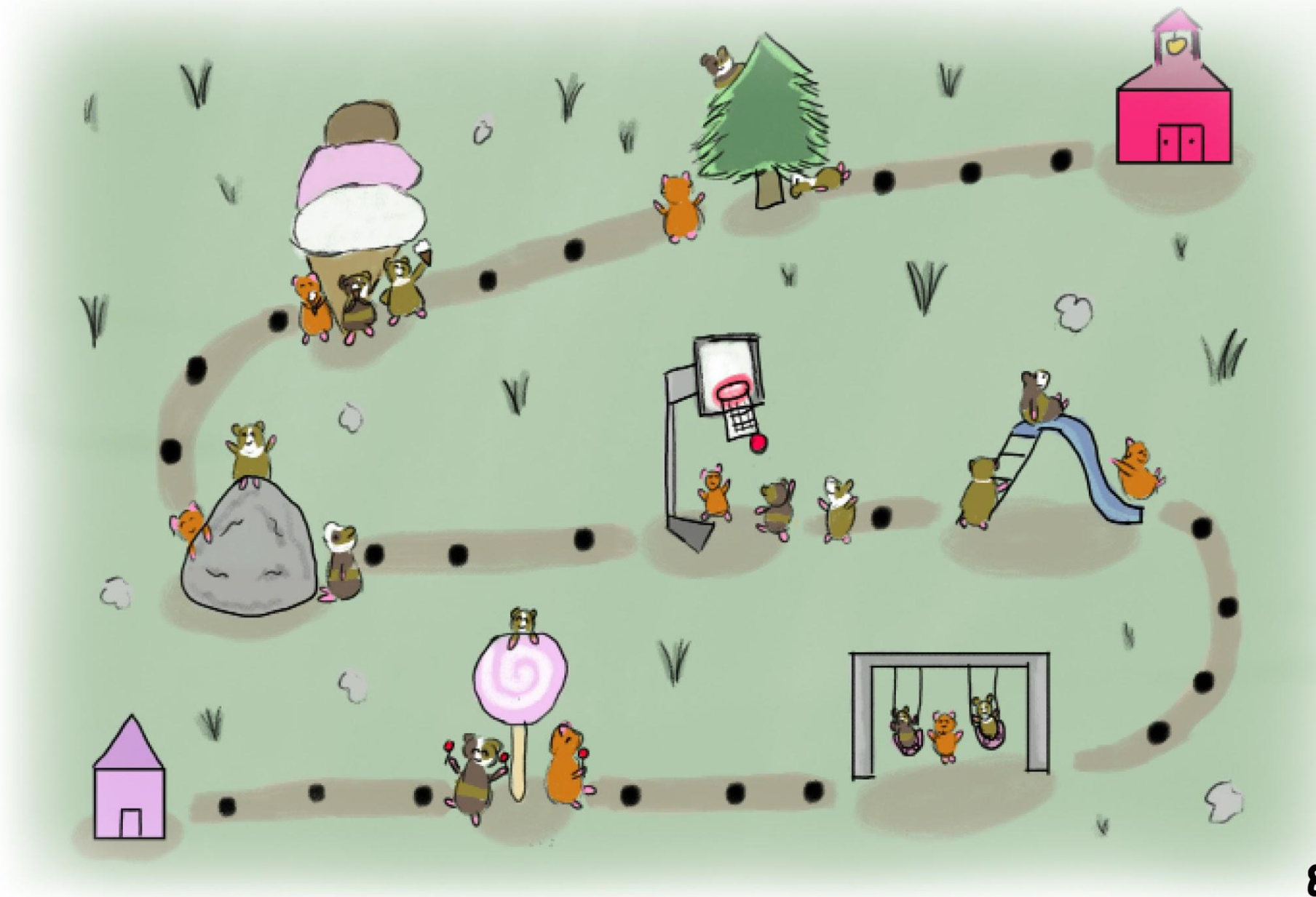
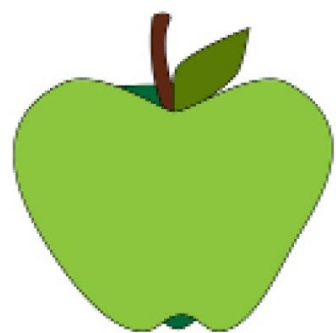
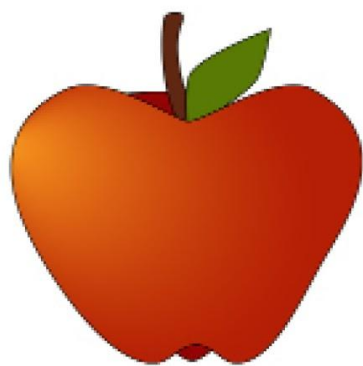
They even went to school  
together.



The piggies have to get to school on time!

Help guide them by tracing their path to school with your finger.

Be on the look out for all the fun activities they get up to on the way!





One day at school, they read a book.

All the piggies were having fun...

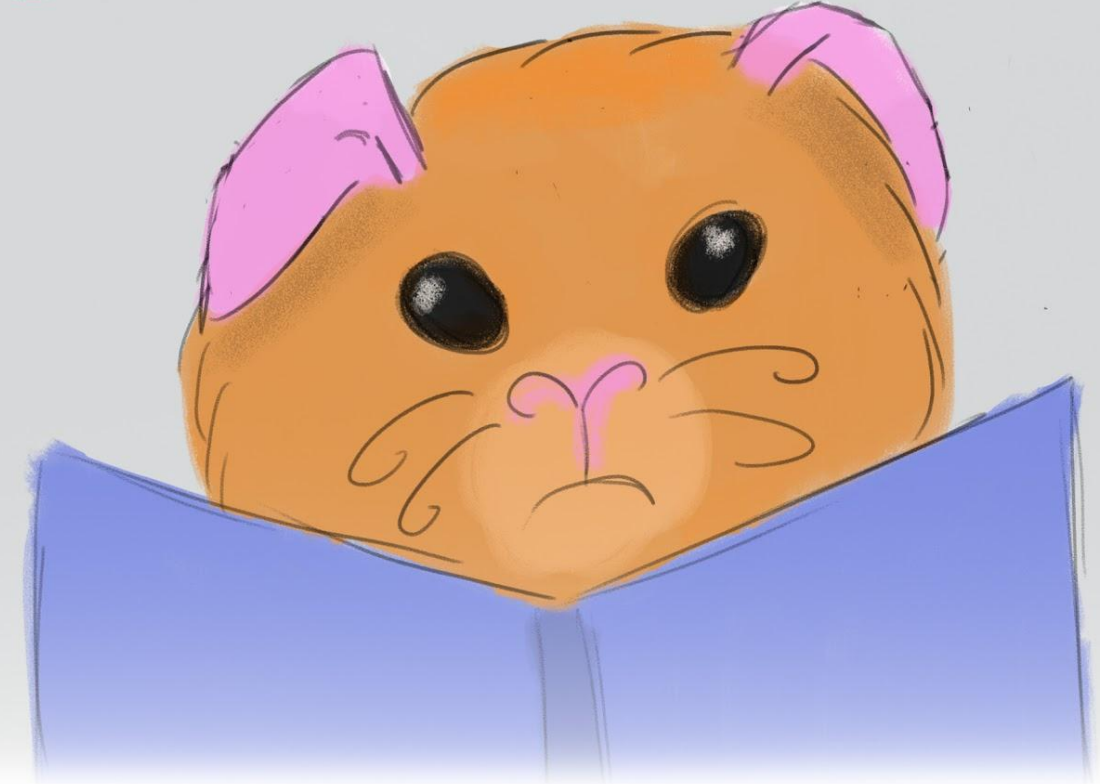
Except Tootsie.



The words made no sense  
to her.

Letters looked like they  
were backwards.

S R E T T E L  
D R A W K C A B



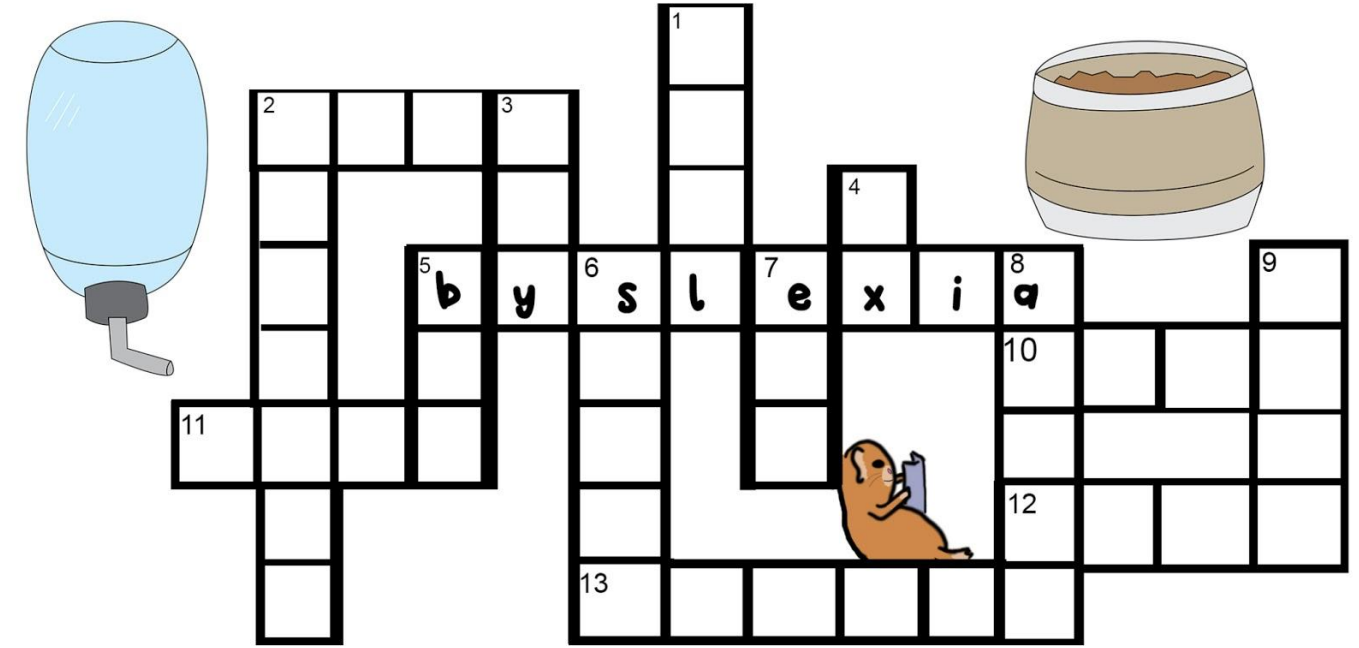
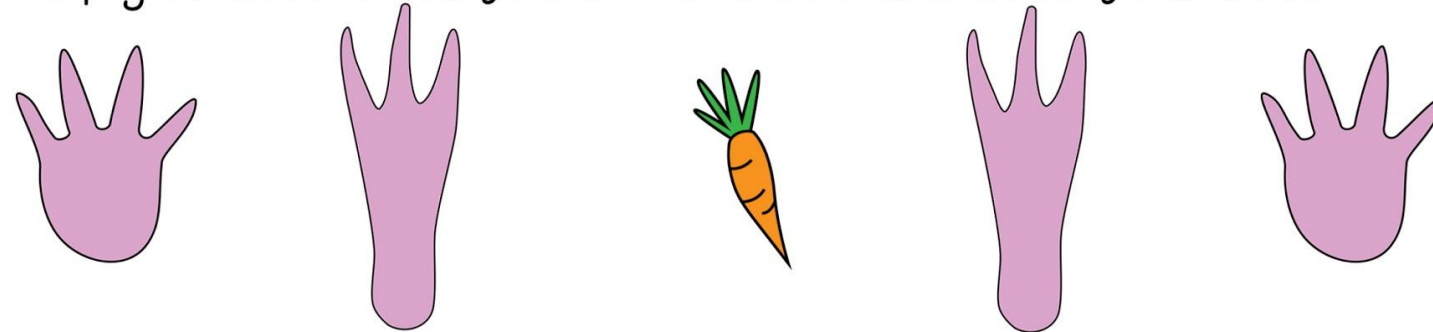


Tootsie and her friends are trying to figure out the words in the puzzle. Help the piggies by using the word dyslexia in the middle to solve the crossword.

Piggies with dyslexia often flip the following letters: d b p q.  
 This means:  $b = d$ ,  $d = b$ ,  $p = q$ ,  $q = p$ .

If those letters appear in the puzzle and puzzle clues, they will be flipped but the meaning of the letter will stay the same!

The pig friends want you to have fun and take your time!



**Across**

- 2. qiggies lick their fur when it is birty to ??? it
- 10. Mocha likes to sqlash in the ???
- 11. Tootsie likes to ??? holibay songs
- 12. on Friabay nights Curry gets to go to deb ???
- 13. ??? like to keeq qiggies as gets

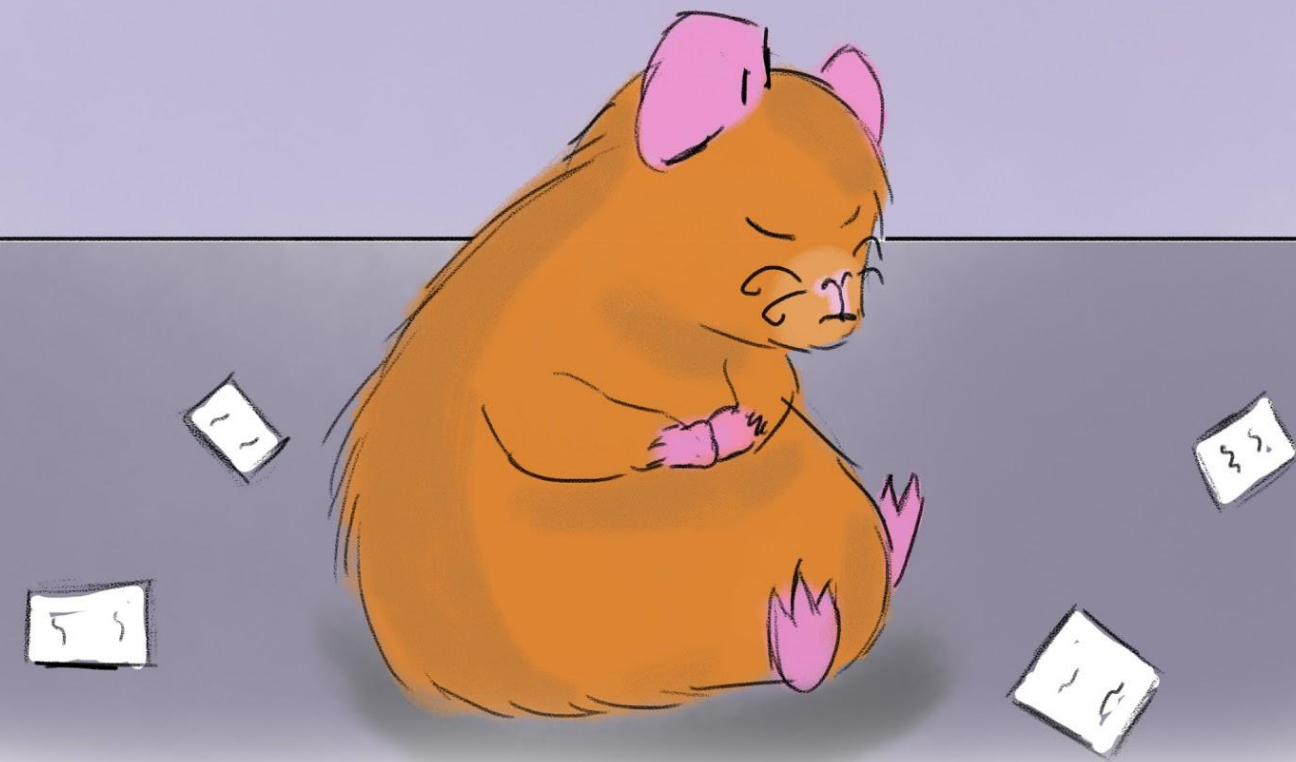
**Down**

- 1. a toy tootsie likes to dounce
- 2. Tootsie loves ??? on stars
- 3. a bry foob qiggies eat
- 4. the qig friends saw this animal at the zoo
- 5. qiggies like to ??? in birt
- 6. qiggies anb humans bo this at night
- 7. Curry loves to ??? carrots
- 8. a rounb fruit qiggies like to eat
- 9. the color of the sky

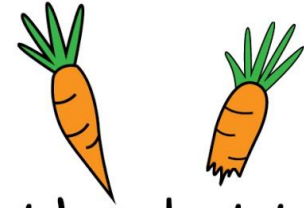
The words also looked like they were **jumbled**.

This confused and upset Tootsie.

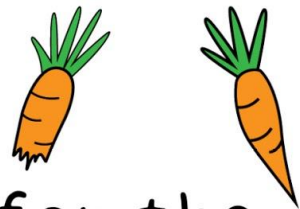
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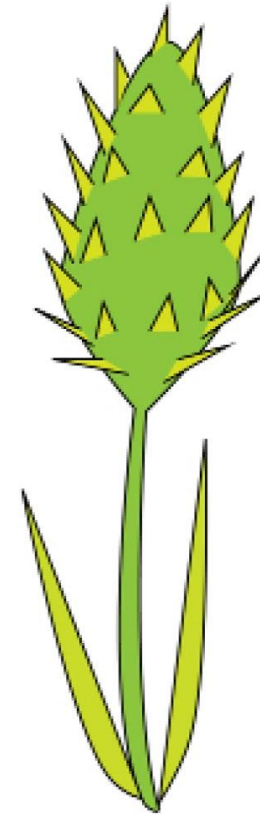
The piggies accidentally scrambled the words when playing!



Many children with dyslexia see the letters of words as scrambled when they try to read them.



Try to unscramble the words for the piggies. The words will form a sentence!



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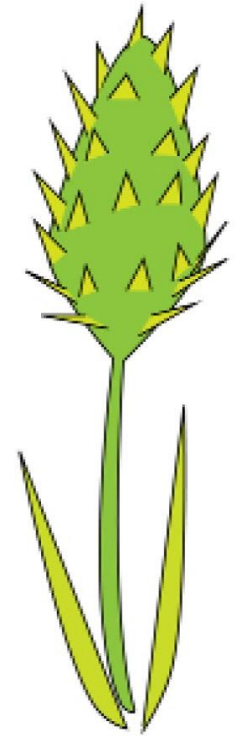
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etef

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"What's wrong?" asked Mocha and Curry.

But Tootsie did not want to say.

The following week, Tootsie was diagnosed with dyslexia.





Oh no the piggies have lost their words! They need your help to find the missing words for them, but they also want you to have fun while finding them!

Piggies with dyslexia have to do more work to read letters in words because they often appear backwards for the piggies. All the words will be backwards in the wordsearch! The words will be read bottom to top, right to left, or backwards diagonally.

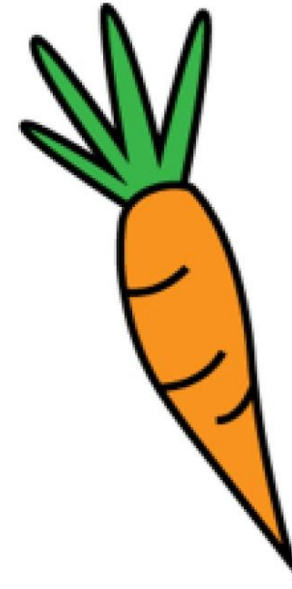
Help the piggies find the words listed below.

There may also be some other bonus words for you to find!



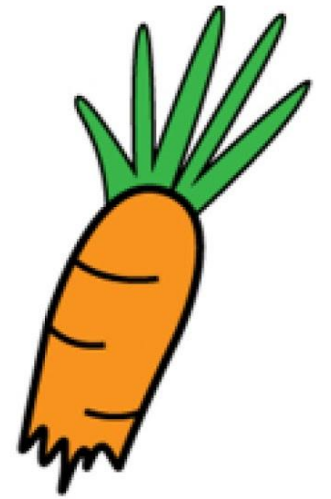
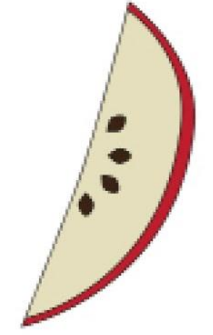
hair dyslexia soup carrot pie pig

curry happy hay car cherry mocha



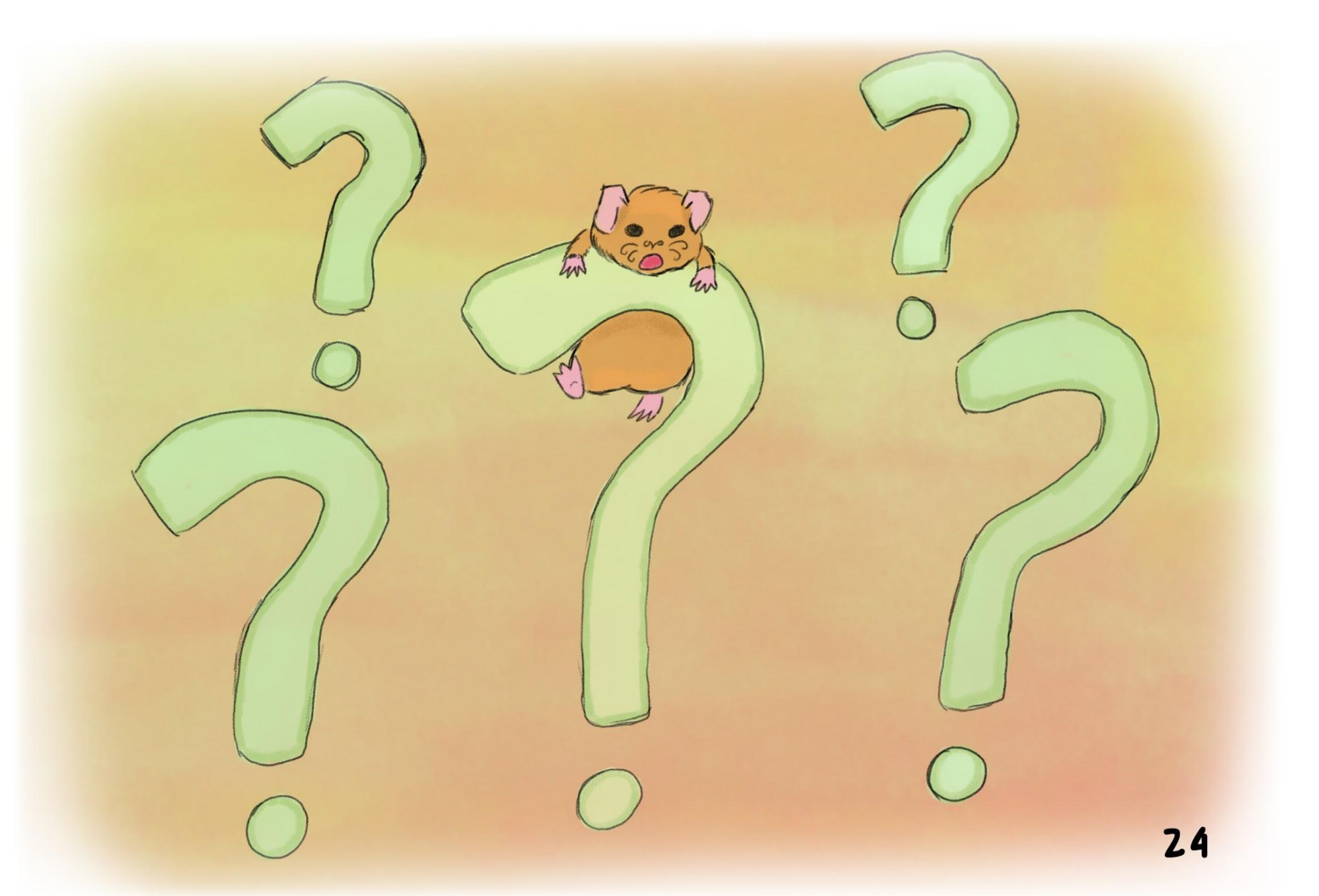
## Pig-Search:

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E	E	Y	H	Y	T	G	M	T	A
L	I	A	G	P	I	E	I	R	Y
P	Y	L	I	S	O	R	P	P	R
P	H	E	P	X	T	O	U	C	R
A	E	X	R	Y	E	C	O	H	U
R	I	A	H	V	I	L	S	E	C
K	R	A	Y	Y	C	A	S	R	H
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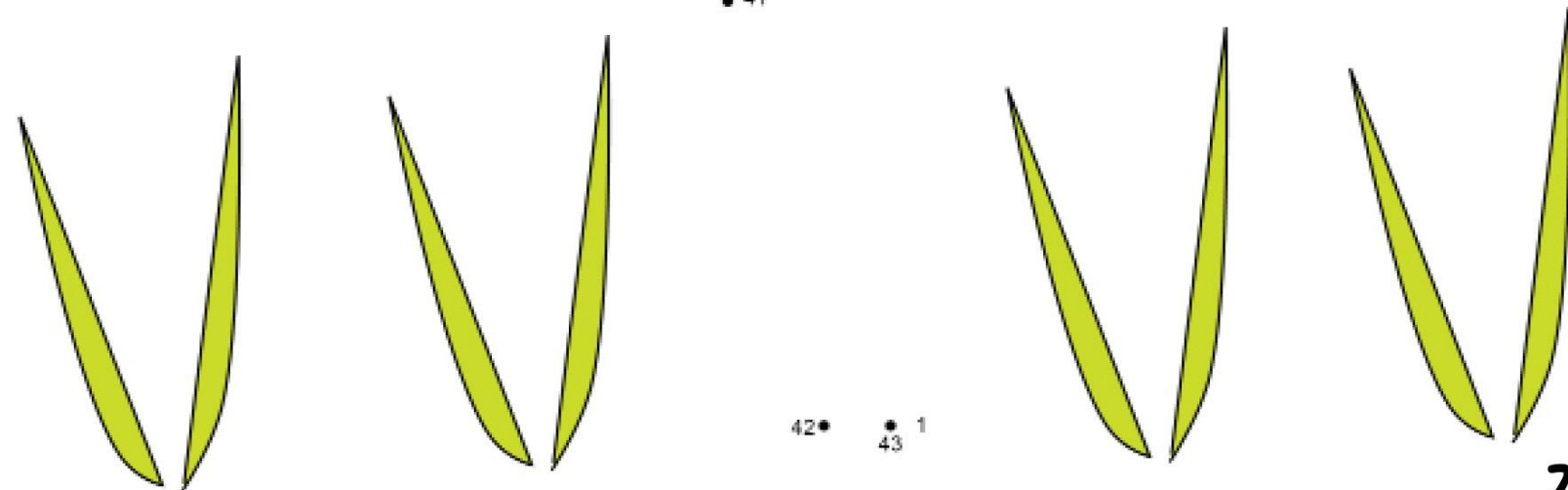
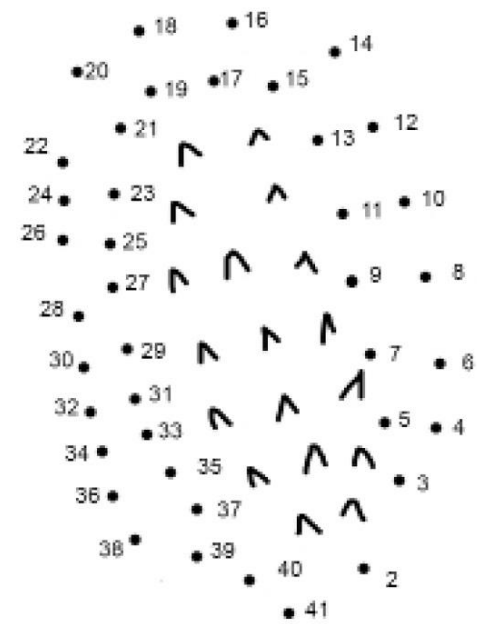
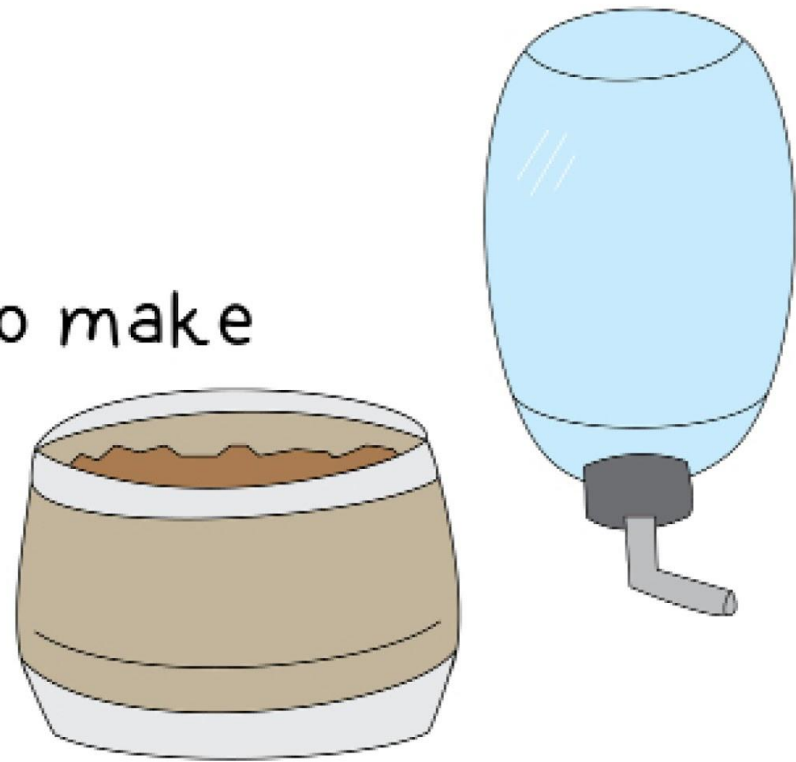
Dyslexia is a reading and learning problem some piggies have.

Tootsie had never heard of dyslexia.



Sometimes piggies with dyslexia like to work with numbers instead of letters.

Connect the numbers to make the hidden picture.





She was embarrassed to tell her friends.

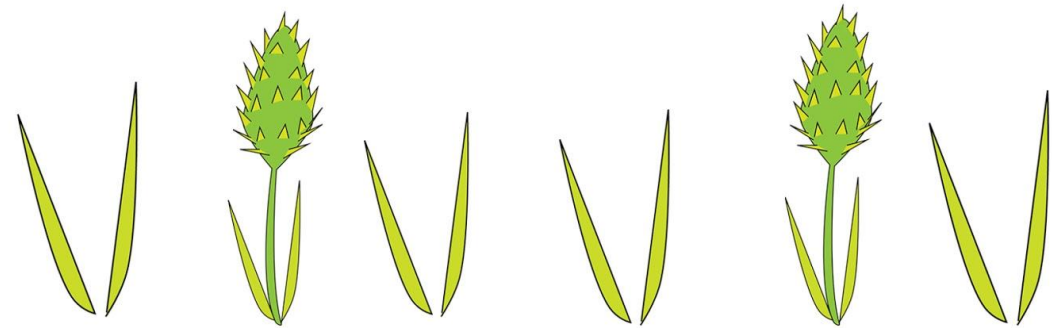
Mocha and Curry knew something was wrong, but Tootsie kept her dyslexia a secret.



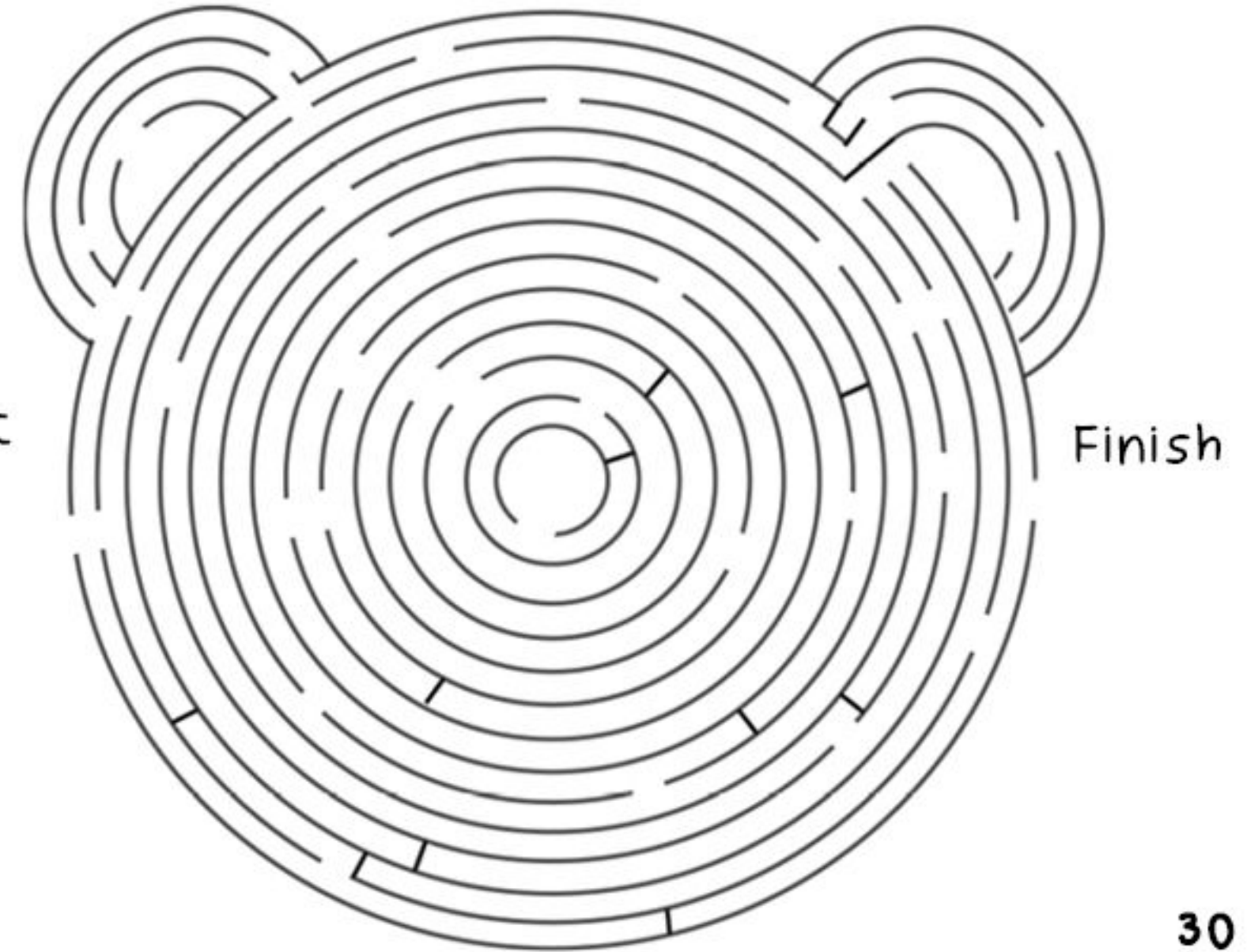


Piggies with dyslexia often feel mentally lost, almost like they are lost in a maze.

Help the piggies find their way by leading them through the guinea pig maze.



Start



Tootsie went to extra help reading classes.

These classes were held in school and out of school.



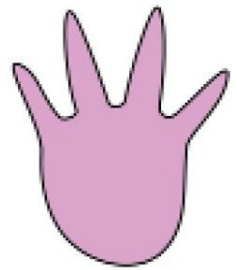
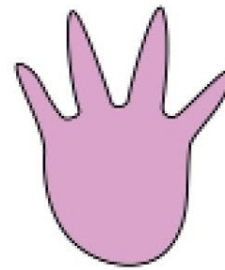
Tootsie loves learning about other animals. She has decided to make a coded puzzle for you involving the names of animals.

Each name of an animal represents a letter, which is the first letter in the animals name.

Example: Ox is the letter O.



All these letters together will form a sentence! The end of each of the words is not marked, so you will have to decide where words end and begin.



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Penguin, Impala, Giraffe, Snake, Octopus, Rat,

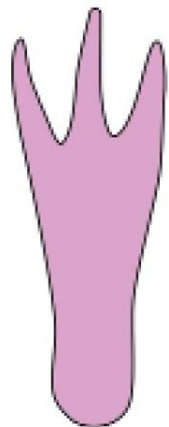
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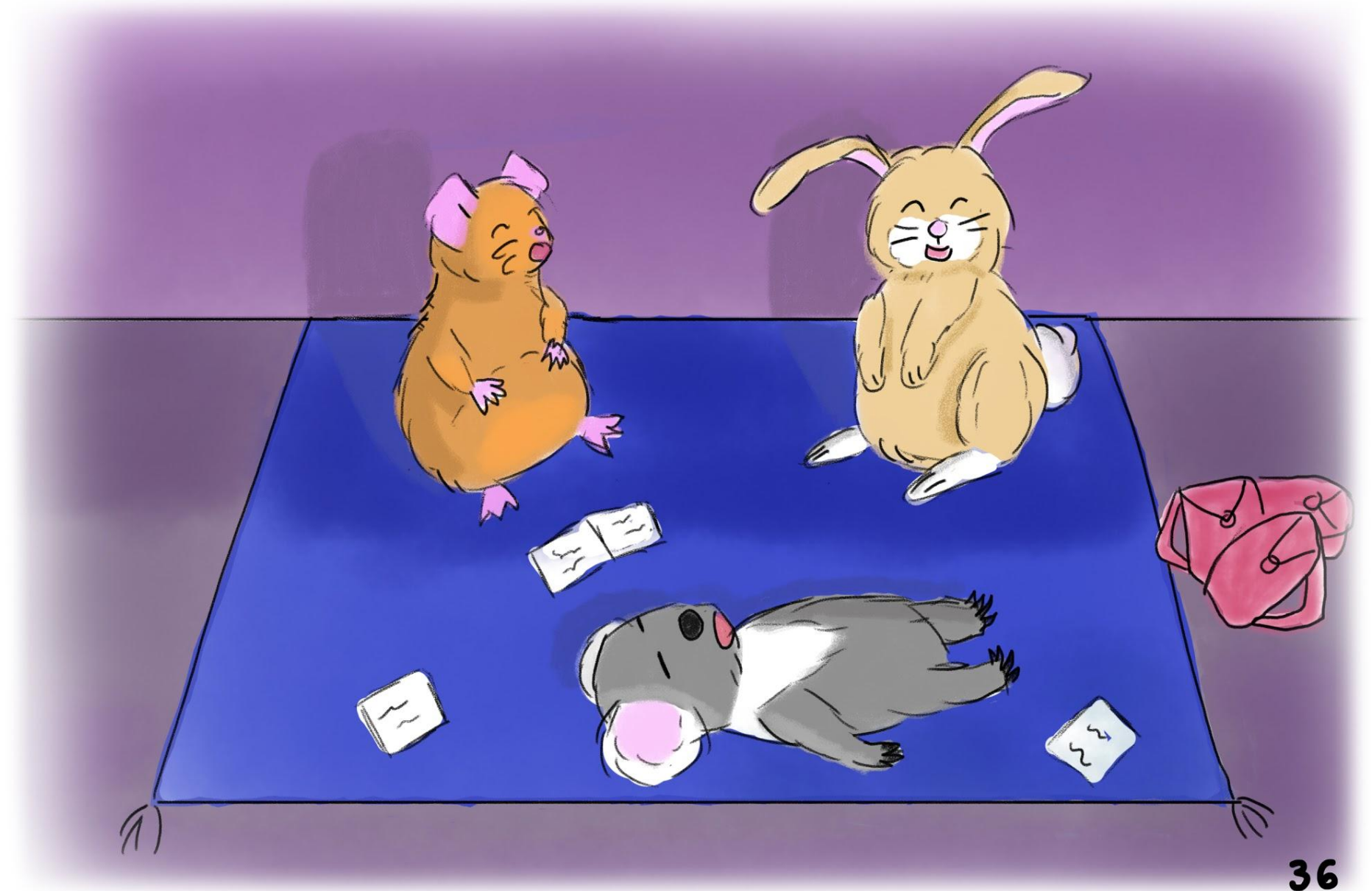
Cat, Armadillo





She met new animals at these classes.

They each had different types of dyslexia.







The English language is filled with words that look very similar. Part of reading with dyslexia is learning to see the small differences in words that look alike.

Tootsie has created a puzzle that will help you practise seeing small differences.

This puzzle has two similar pictures, try to spot the differences! There are **31** differences to spot.



Slowly, she learned  
techniques to read.

Tootsie grew brave.



Sometimes when dyslexic piggies read sentences, some of the words seem to disappear.



In this puzzle, some of the words are missing in the sentences. But do not worry! Tootsie, Mocha, and Curry have the missing words gathered in a box for you.



Match the missing words to the spaces you think they should go in. Each word in the box is only used once!



Dyslexia is a \_\_\_\_\_ disorder \_\_\_\_\_

many \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have. Through hard \_\_\_\_\_

and \_\_\_\_\_ Tootsie and \_\_\_\_\_ can learn to \_\_\_\_\_

and \_\_\_\_\_ just as \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_ else.

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work well that practice read  
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One day, Tootsie told her friends her secret.

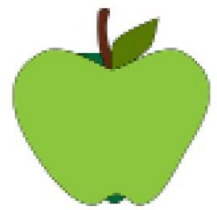
Curry and Mocha had never heard of dyslexia.



Since reading with dyslexia is like having to solve a code with letters, the piggies have made a puzzle involving a code.

Each letter of the alphabet is represented by a number. There is a key, hidden in a hay pile, showing you the letter each number represents.

Decode each of the numbers to form words. At the end a hidden sentence will be formed.



**20, 15, 15, 20, 19, 9, 5**

**23, 15, 18, 11, 19**

**8, 1, 18, 4**

**20, 15**

**12, 5, 1, 18, 14**

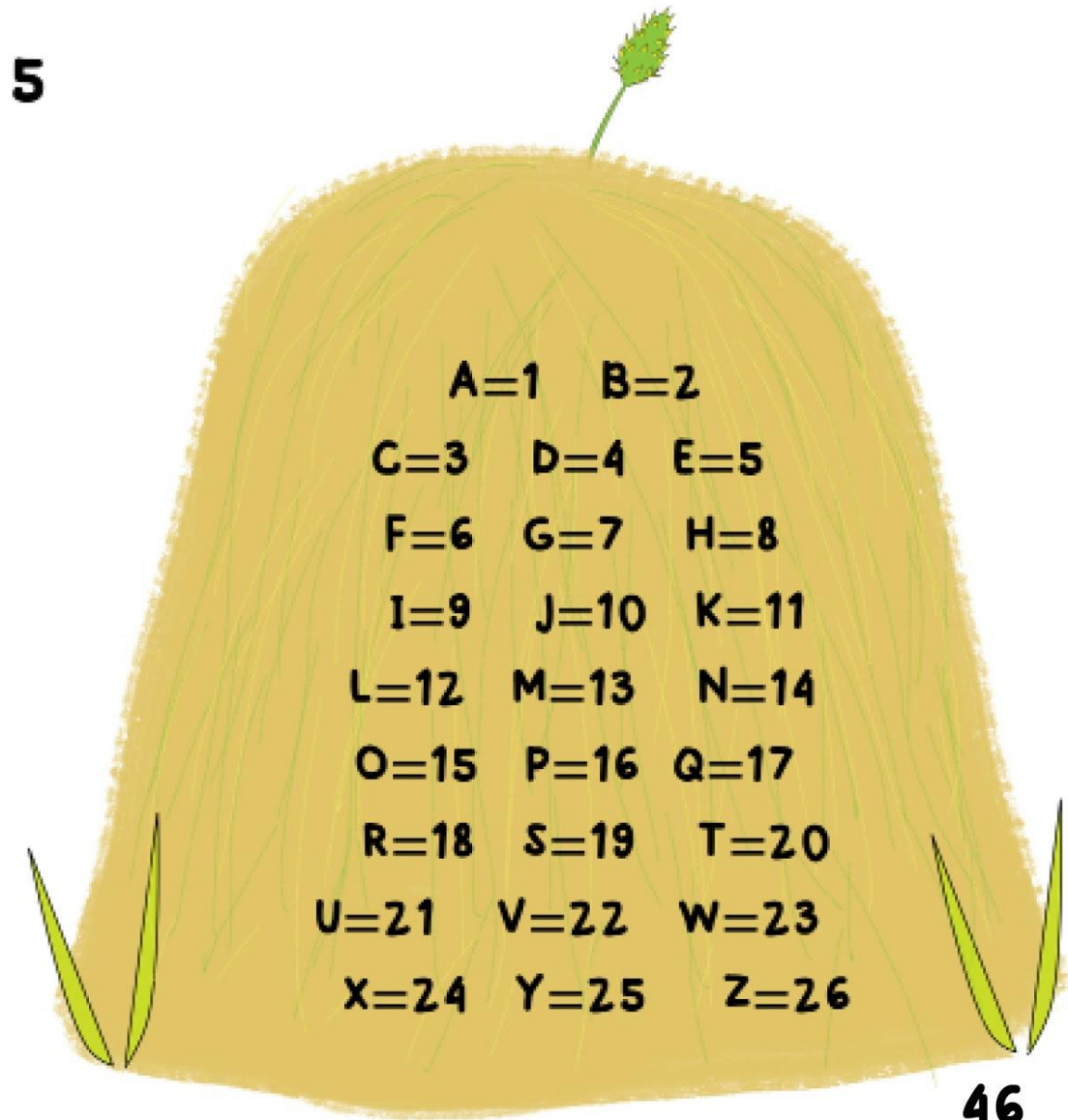
**20, 15**

**18, 5, 1, 4**

**1, 14, 4**

**19, 16, 5, 12, 12**

**23, 15, 18, 4, 5**





Mocha and Curry were happy  
Tootsie told them her  
secret.

They learned that anyone  
can have dyslexia.

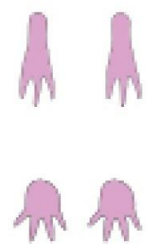




Tootsie has an important message for you about guinea pigs. And the words in the message are spelled backwards.

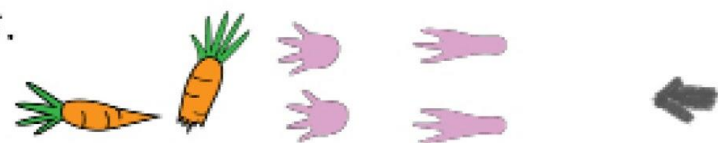


Mocha bumped into the message and some letters fell out, so there are some letters missing from the words.

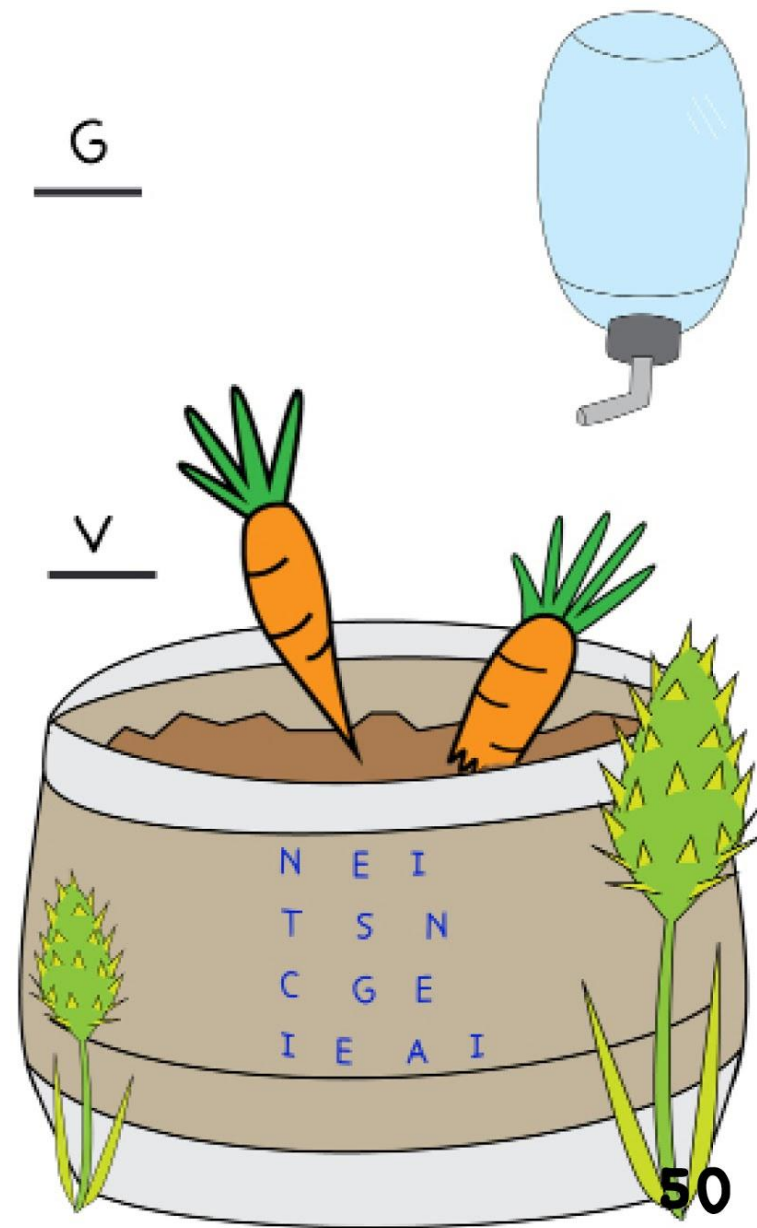


Luckily Tootsie was able to gather the missing letters and has collected them in a food dish for you.

Try to match the letters to the backwards words to learn what the message says.



_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
S	_____	N	I	U	G
_____	_____	_____	P	_____	_____
D	_____	E	N	_____	_____
_____	_____	M	A	T	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	V
_____	I	_____	_____	_____	_____
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And most importantly...

They learned it is ok to  
be...

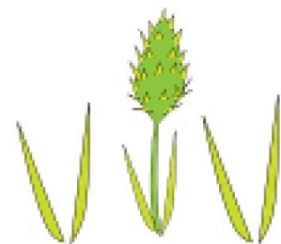
Dyslexic.



Often piggies with dyslexia find it helpful to look for patterns in the sentences they are reading.

The following puzzle has to do with number patterns and shape patterns.

Try your best to fill in the patterns based on what is displayed.

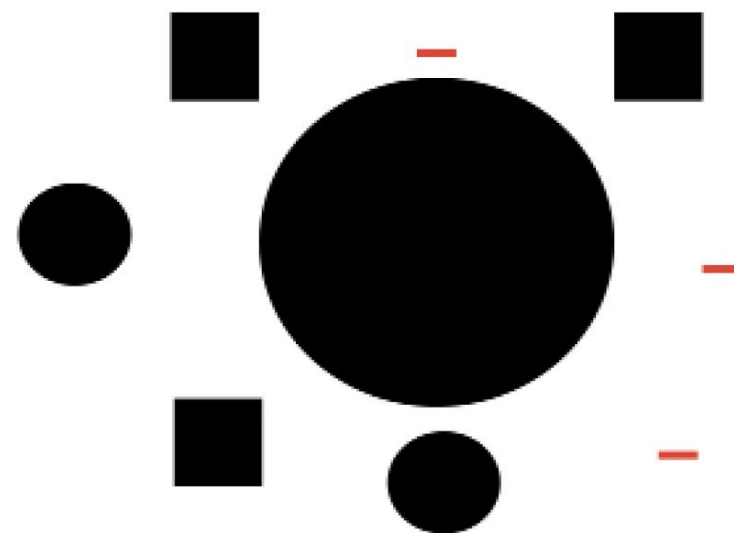


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1 3 3 \_ 3 \_ 1

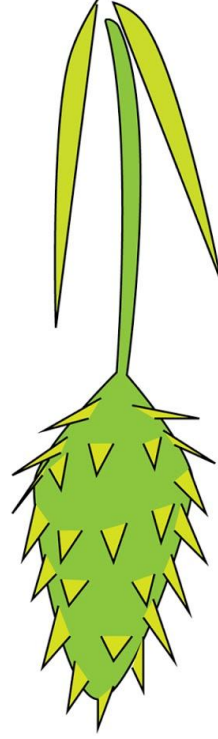
2 4 8 \_ 32 \_

\_ 3 3 4 2 2





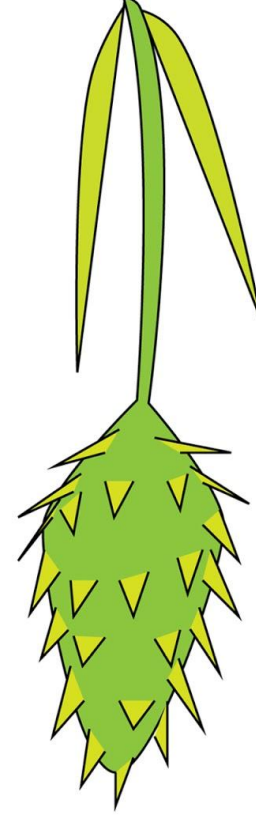




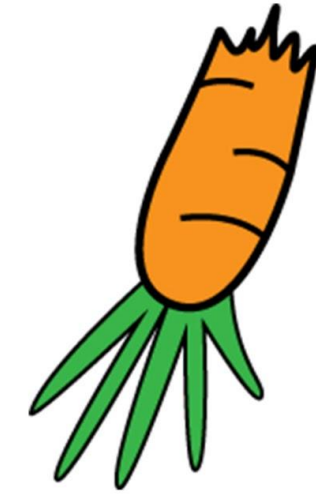
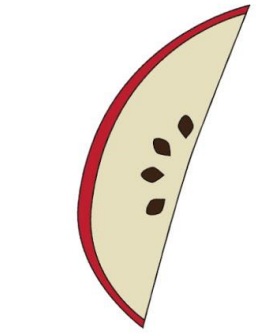
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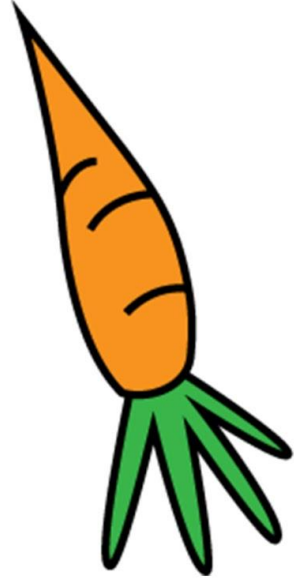
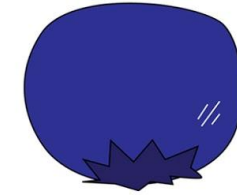


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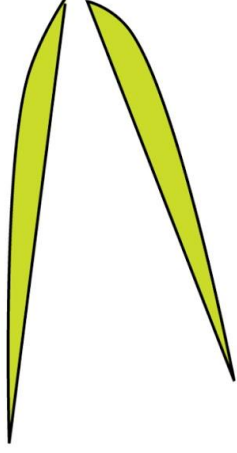
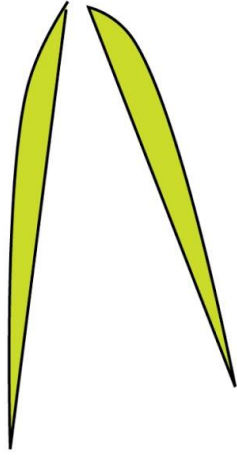
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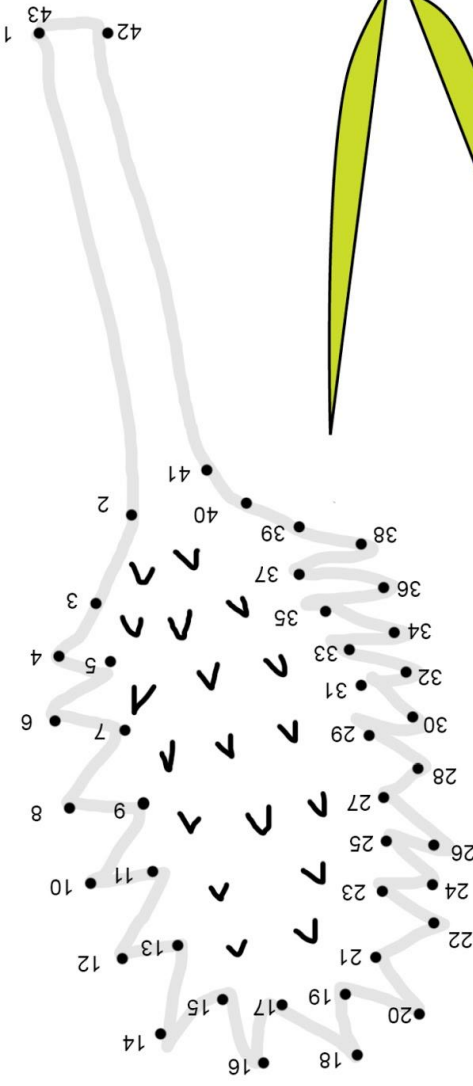
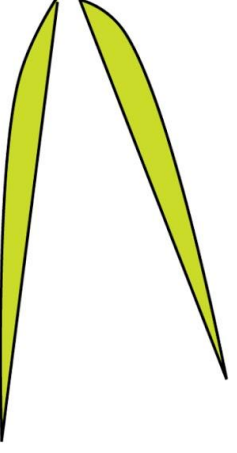
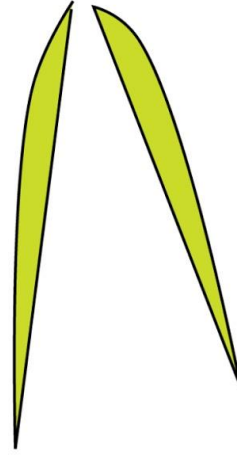


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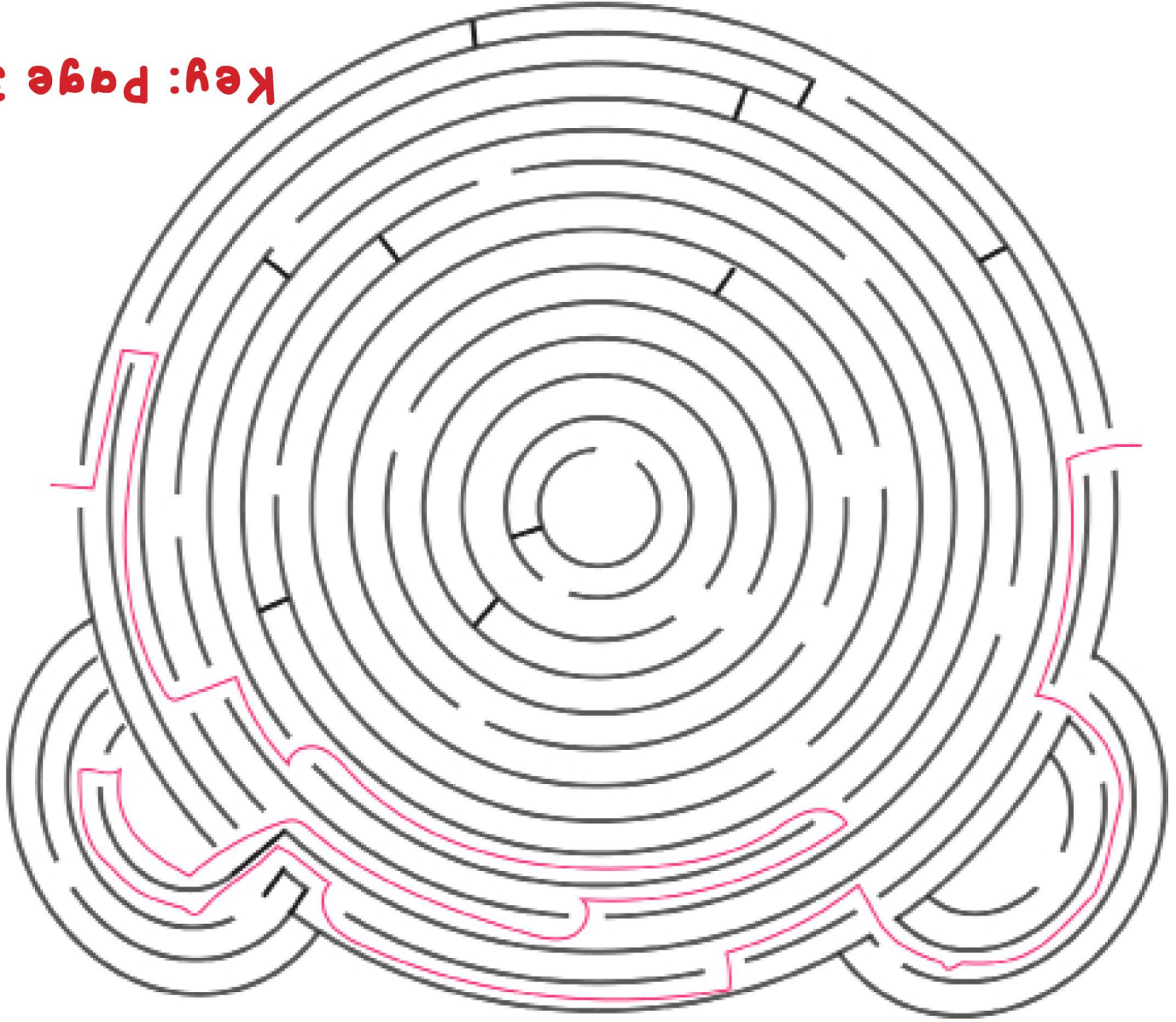


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**guinea pigs originate from south america**

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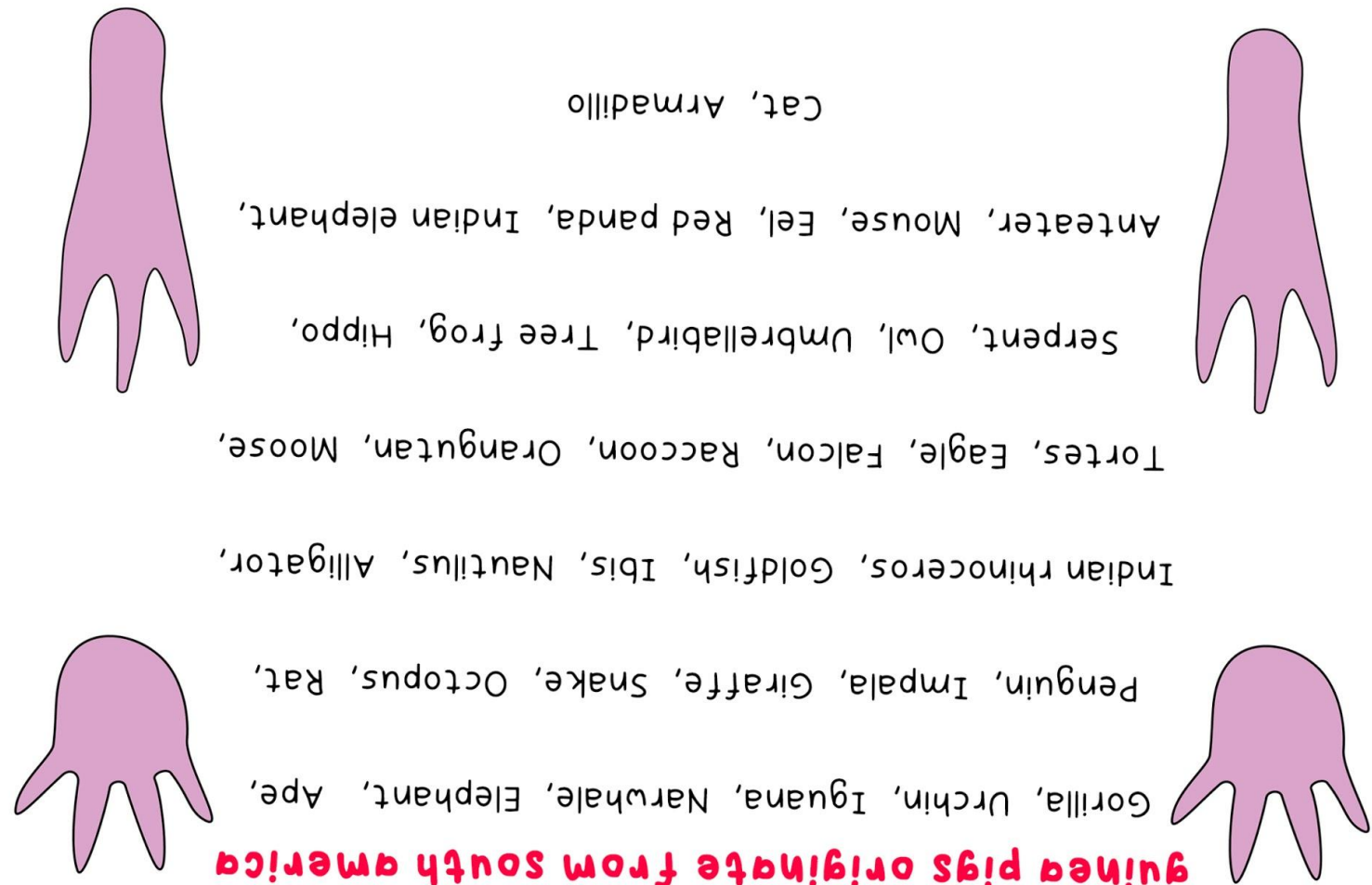
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Serpent, Owl, Umbrellabird, Tree frog, Hippo,

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Cat, Armadillo

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A=1 B=2  
 C=3 D=4 E=5  
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Dyslexia is a language processing disorder that many pigs and people have. Through hard work

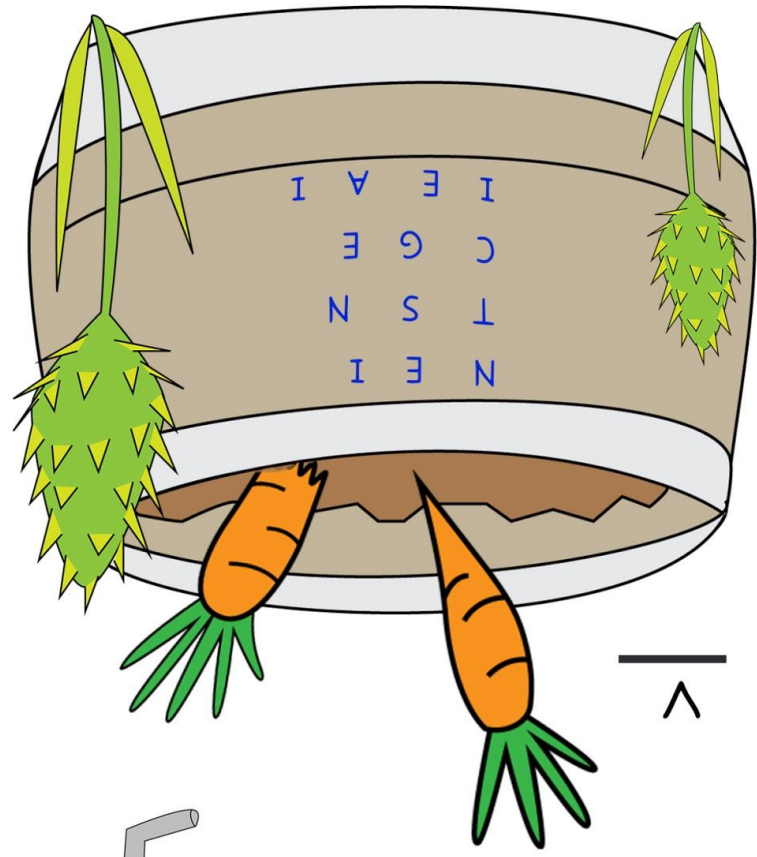
and practice Tootsie and others can learn to read

and write just as well as anyone else.

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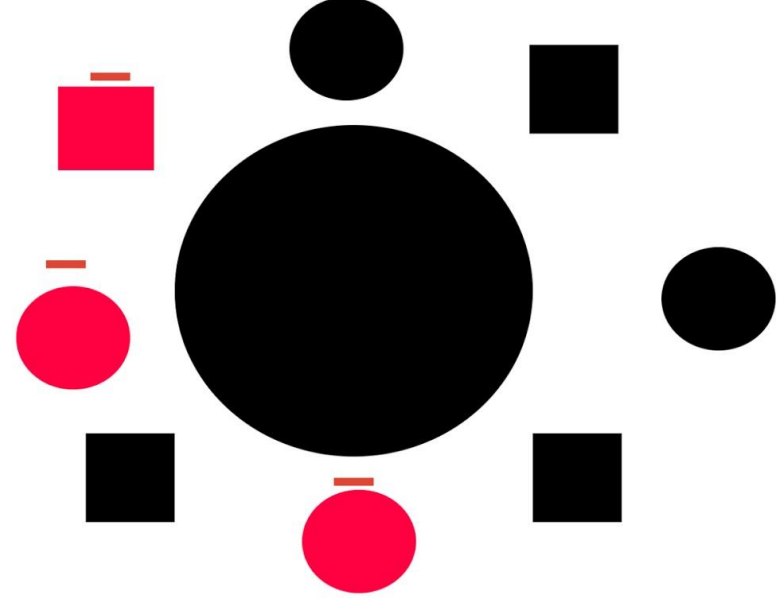
                                                          
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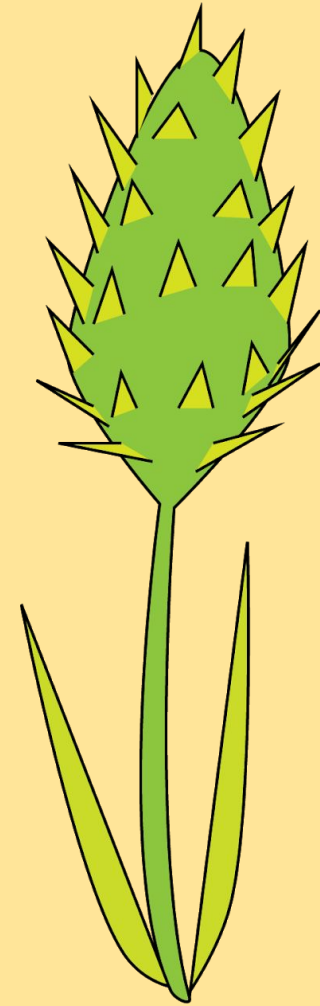
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