



Big stories, fewer barriers.



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Little
Cherries

Drupe's Busy Day

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About this Resource

This resource can be used by parents, teachers, carers and young readers.

*It is designed to provide fun, engaging and creative ideas to explore **Drupe's Busy Day**.*

The resources are suitable to use in and out of the classroom, allowing young readers to get even more out of the book!

Summary

Drupe lives in Happy Hills Orchard and loves to help other people. Drupe is always busy being kind to others and making their friends smile. But sometimes Drupe forgets to slow down and eventually gets tired. Drupe learns from their friends that it is ok to relax and they need to make sure they look after themselves as well as their friends.

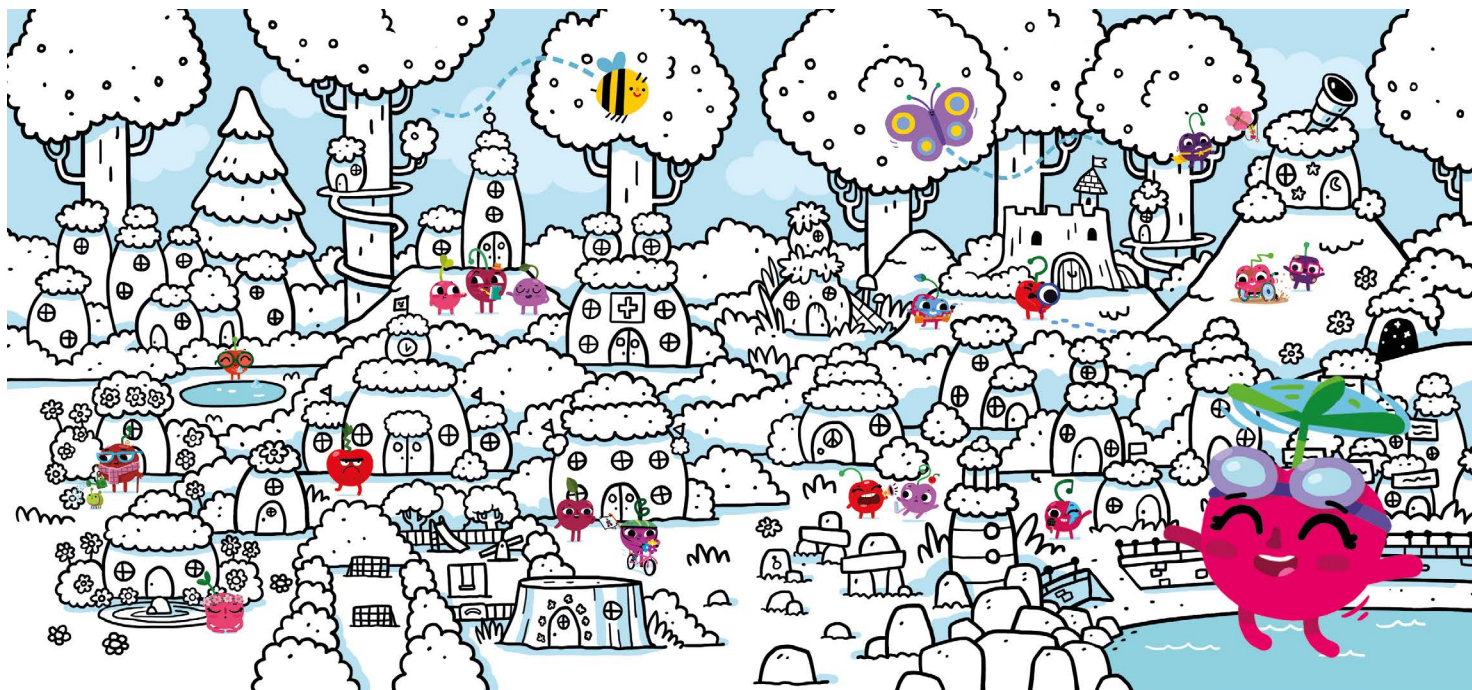
Happy Hills Orchard

Happy Hills Orchard is a happy little orchard where the little cherries live, learn and have fun! There are lots of little cherries in the orchard and each little cherry is different. Find out about all of the little cherries in each book.

But What is an Orchard?

An Orchard is an area of land where fruit trees are grown. The Happy Hills Orchard grows cherry trees but an orchard can grow lots of different fruit trees. Fruit trees can also grow in a garden, a park or woodlands. But it is only an orchard when there are lots of fruit trees growing together.

Activity: Orchards can grow different types of fruits. Try some different fruits that may grow in an orchard and see which ones you prefer. You could even make an apple crumble or baked pear.





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This is Drupe. They are the main character in Drupe's Busy Day.

- Drupe is a red cherry with a bendy green stalk. They have blue glasses, a pink checked scarf and a walking stick.
- Drupe loves to look after other people and make them happy. This means they are very busy.
- Drupe is so busy helping other people that they are very tired themselves and need to rest.
- Drupe's friends show them that it is okay to take time to relax and look after themselves. This is just as important as helping other people.

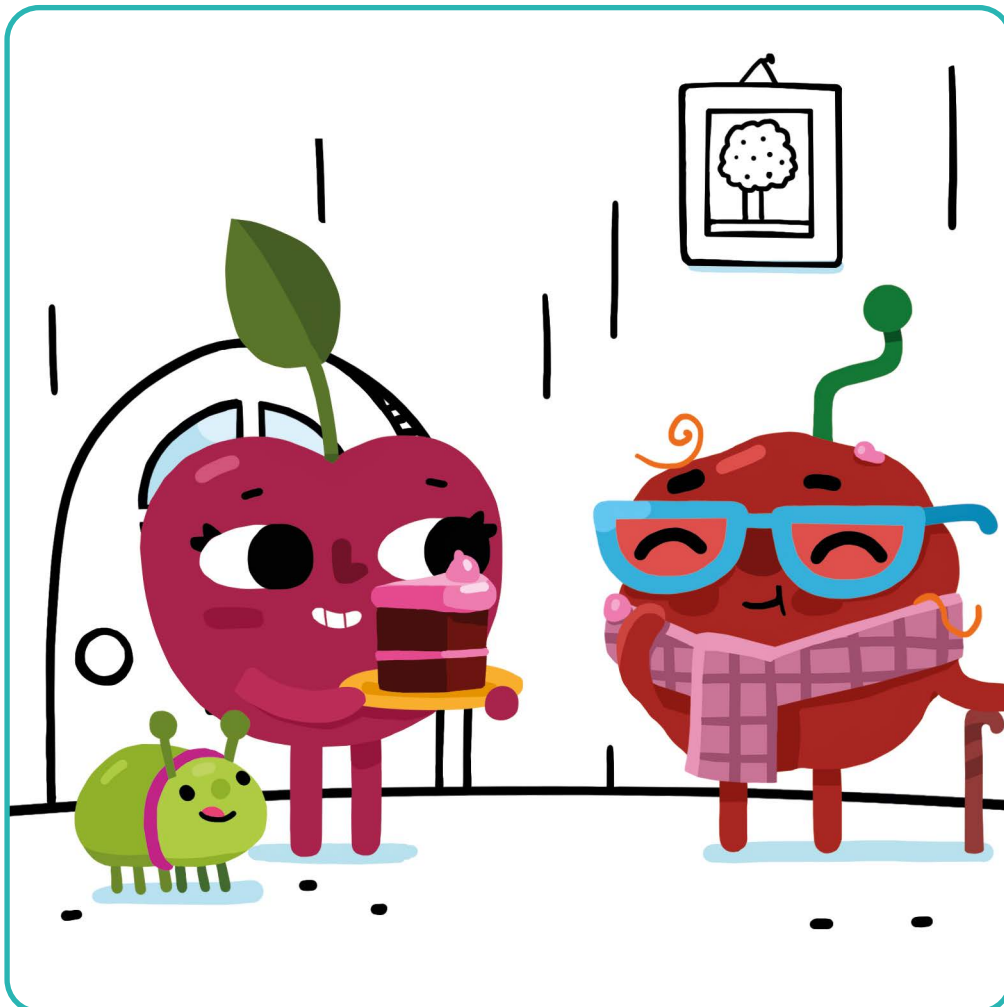
Activity 1: It's Nice to be Nice

Drupe loves to make other people happy and to do kind things for them.

Talk about some nice things you have done for your friends.

Can you create a nice piece of art, help somebody with a job, or tell somebody a funny joke to make them smile today?

After you do this, ask the person how it made them feel and think about how it made you feel.

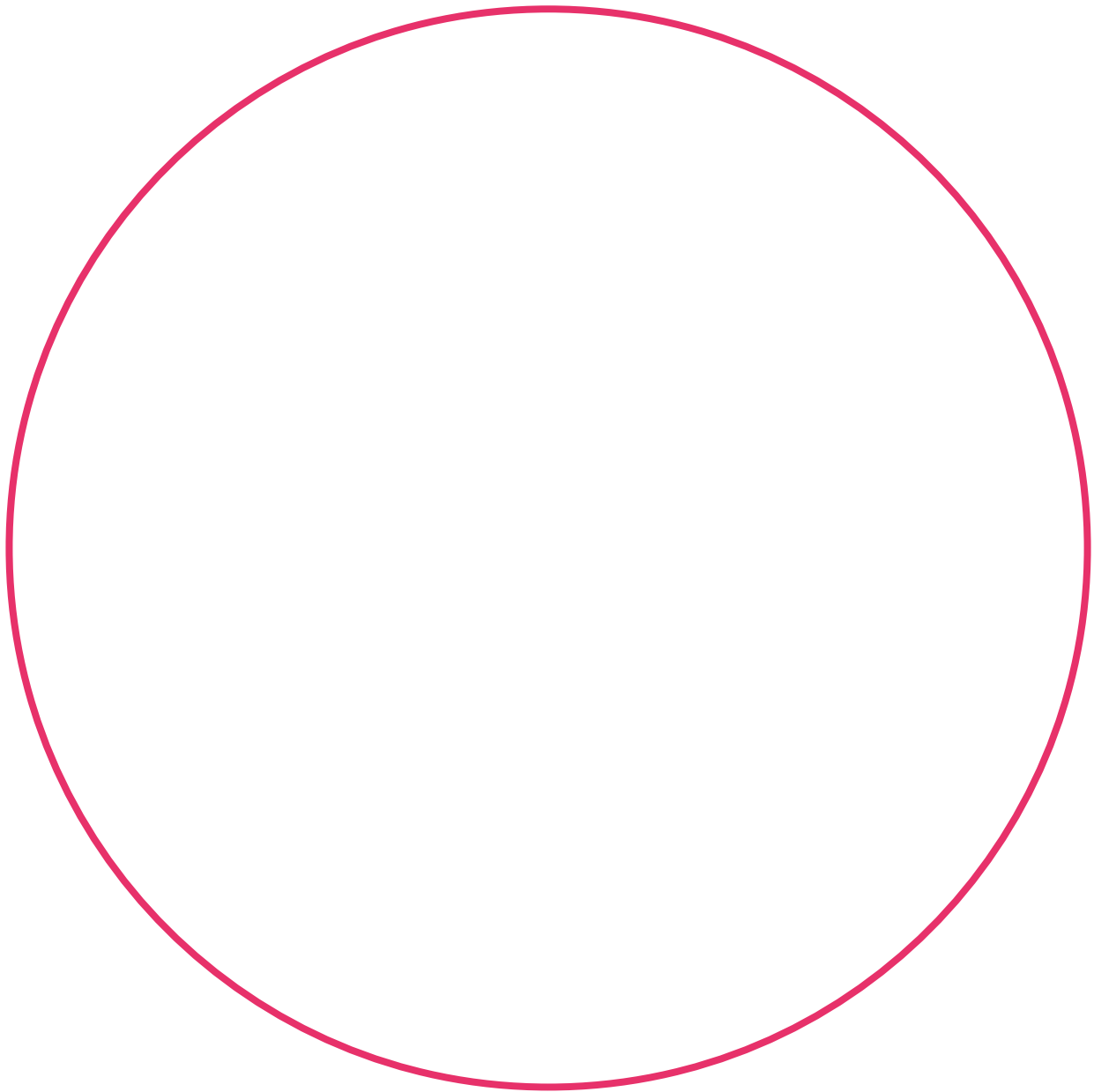


Activity 2: Time to Bake

Drupe enjoys baking cakes. What is your favourite cake?

Find a cake recipe that you would love to make and follow the instructions. Then decorate your cake.

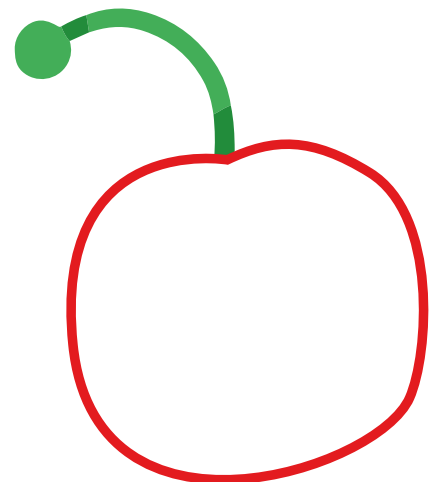
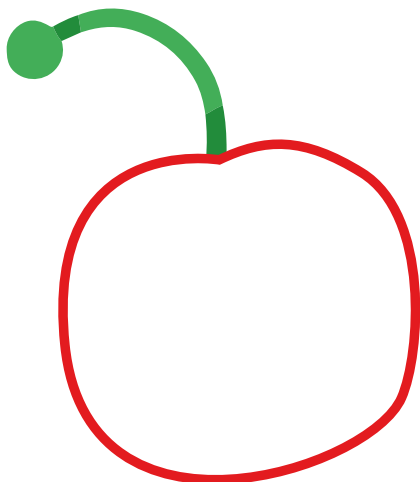
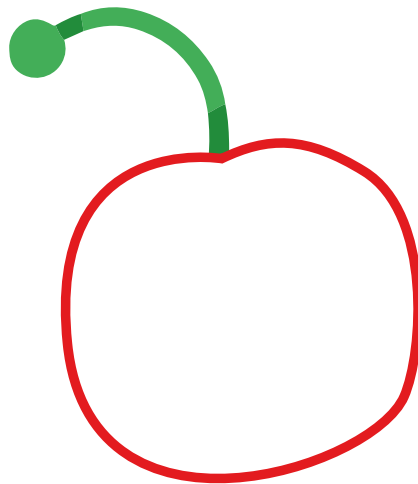
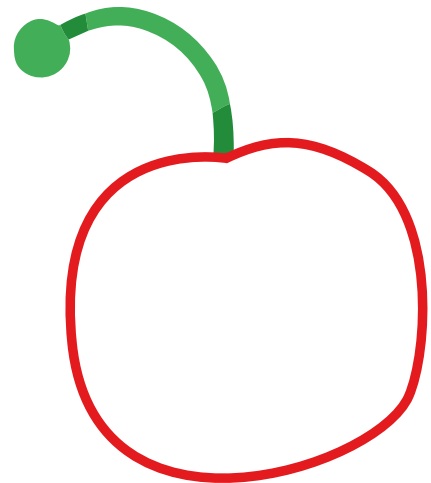
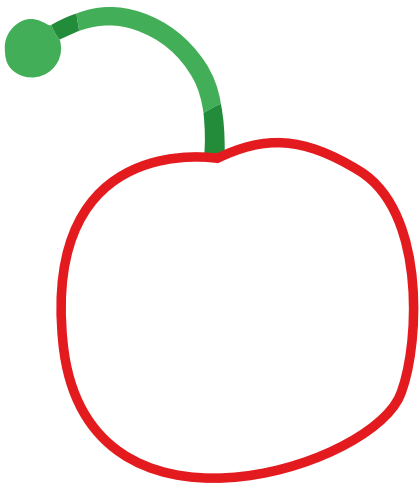
Plan your cake decoration below and draw a picture of what it should look like. Then finally, eat your cake with your friends and family!



Activity 3: Time for Yourself

What do you love to do that makes you feel calm and happy?
It might be a walk to the park, snuggling up on the sofa with a warm drink or colouring pictures.

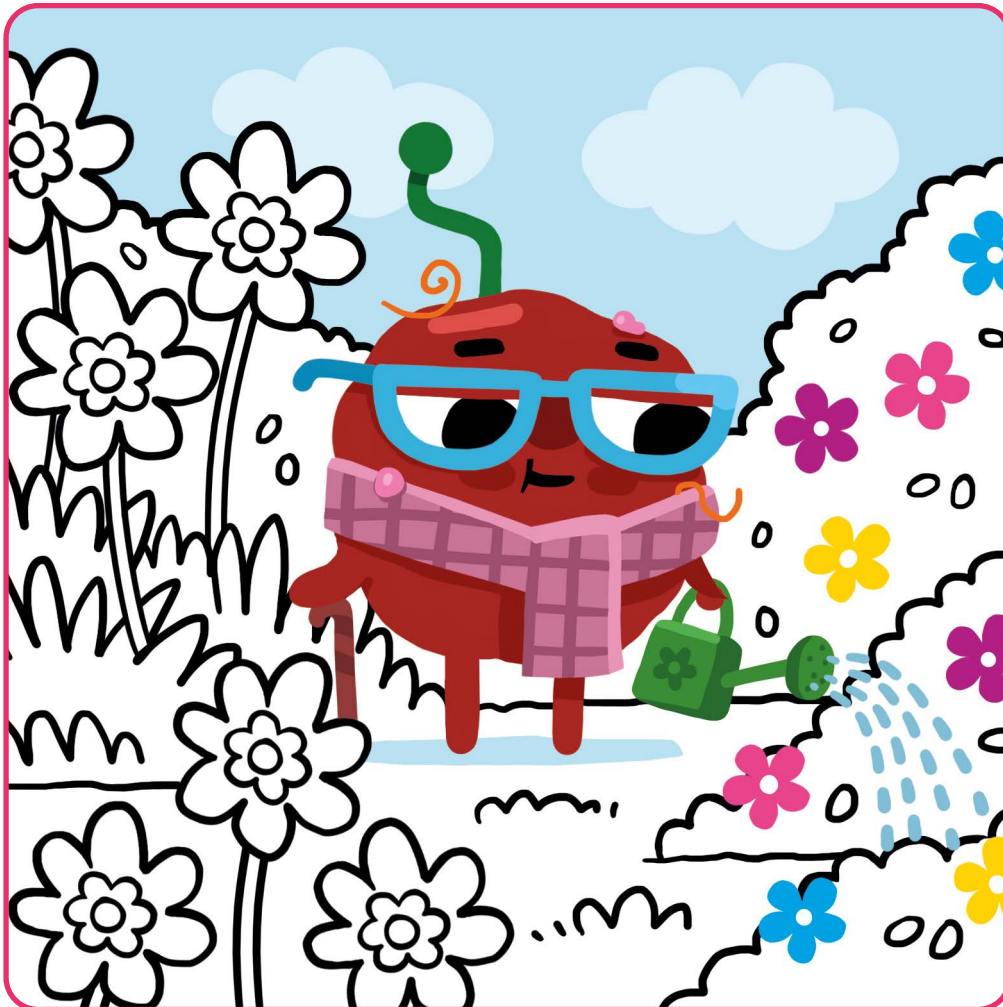
Draw 5 activities you find calming and try and do one each day. It is great to take the time to look after yourself and make yourself feel happy.



Activity 4: Flowers

Flowers can make people smile as they look and smell lovely. Flowers can be all sorts of different shapes, sizes and colours. Go on a walk and take photos of your favourite flowers- can you learn the names of any?

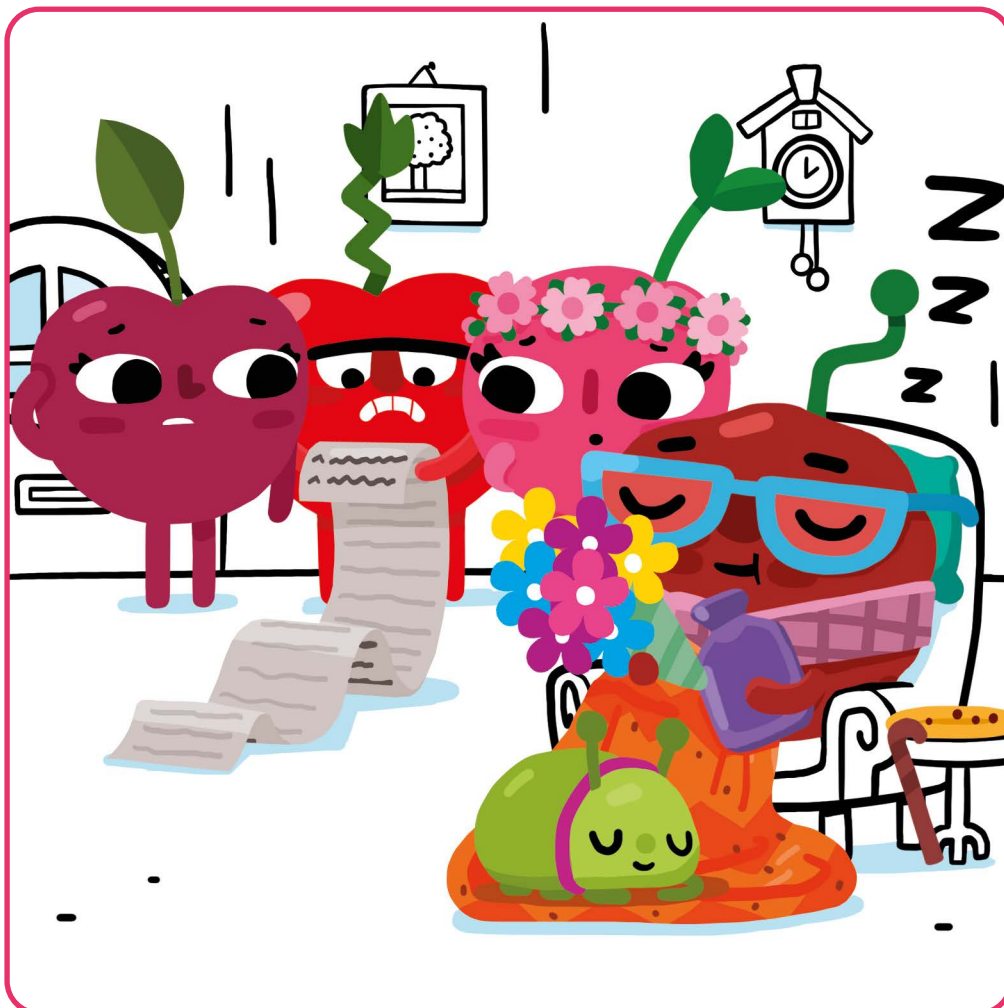
When you get back, plant some seeds or bulbs to grow your own flowers. You could do this in a garden, window-box or even a plant for inside your house. Some flowers grow quickly and others take a long time. You will have to make sure you water your flowers and give them plenty of light to help them grow. Create a photo or sketch diary of how your flowers are growing over the next few weeks.



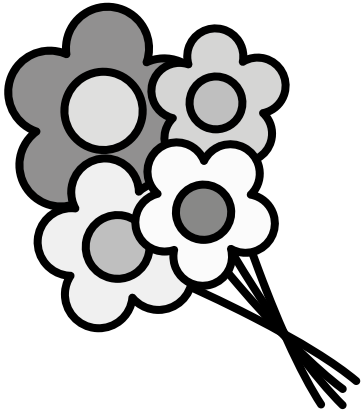
- What does Drupe do to make their friends happy?
- How did Drupe feel after giving gifts to their friends?
- What did Drupe's friends do to help them?
- What did Drupe's friends help them to learn?
- How do you feel when you are very busy?

Extra Fun Challenges!

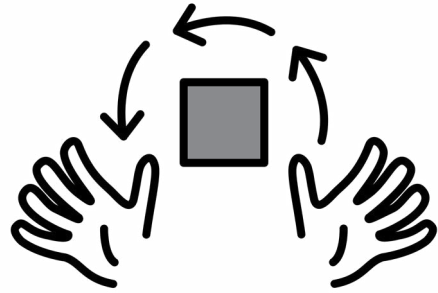
- Make your own finger puppets to retell the story.
- Help your family with some of their jobs so that they aren't as busy.
- Take some time as a family to sit and relax with a warm blanket and some cake, just like Drupe.



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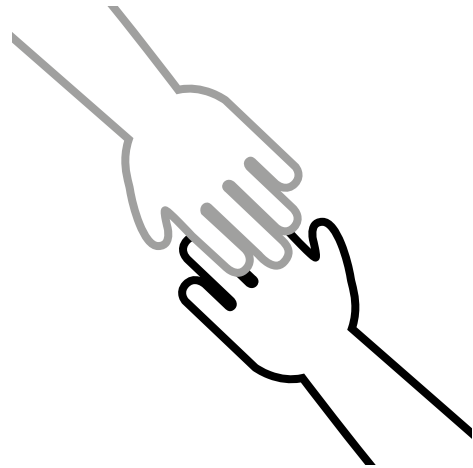
Flowers



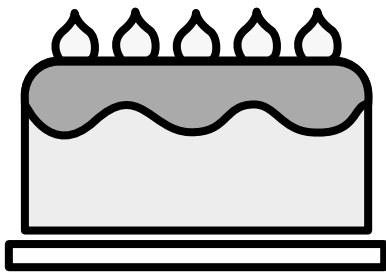
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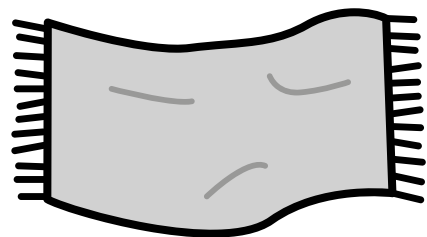
Tired



Help



Cake



Blanket



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