

# Word of the Day

## Spring Term 2025

Week 17 – 13th January 2025



**This Week's Words**

**Grasshopper**

tear  
office  
spare  
chipped  
lift

**Shinobi**

tolerate  
mutter  
fixation  
unveil

**VN VOCABULARY**

**VN Grasshopper Word of the Day**

**Word of the Day:** picnic  
(pic-nic)

**Word Class:** (verb / noun)

**Definition:** If you tear paper, cloth, or another material, or if it tears, you pull it into two pieces or you pull it so that a hole appears in it.

**Phrases:**

**Synonym:** word  
word

**Antonym:** word  
word

**Rhyme:** word  
word

**Link Word:** word  
word

**The was a hole in Freddie's new school picnic.**

**Phrase Number One**

**Phrase Number Two**

**VN Shinobi Word of the Day**

**Word of the Day:** tear  
(tear)

**Word Class:** (verb / noun)

**Definition:** If you tear paper, cloth, or another material, or if it tears, you pull it into two pieces or you pull it so that a hole appears in it.

**Phrases:**

**Synonym:** word  
word

**Antonym:** word  
word

**Prefix / Suffix:** word  
word

**Link Word:** word  
word

**The was a tear in Freddie's new school book.**

**Phrase Number One**

**Phrase Number Two**

*'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'*

# This Week's Words

Grasshopper

**weep**

**weird**

**useful**

**stare**

**shiver**

Shinobi

**resist**

**iridescent**

**woeful**

**surround**

**pounce**



**VOCABULARY NINJA**

# Grasshopper (Tier 1)

**weep**

**weird**

**useful**

**stare**

**shiver**



**VOCABULARY NINJA**

# Shinobi (Tier 2)

**resist**

**iridescent**

**woeful**

**surround**

**pounce**



**VOCABULARY NINJA**



# Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

weep  
(weep)

Word Class  
(verb)

Definition:

If someone weeps, they cry.



The story was so sad, some of the class began to **weep**.

Synonym:

sob

wail

Antonym:

gloat

praise

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

keep

sleep

Link Word:

openly

loudly



# Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

weird  
(weird)

Word Class  
(adjective)

Definition:

If you describe something or someone as weird, you mean that they are strange.



The unicorn character seemed **weird** in the book.

Synonym:

eccentric  
peculiar

Antonym:

dull  
normal

Prefix / Suffix:

-ly  
-ness

Rhyme:

appeared  
feared

Link Word:

really  
seems



# Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

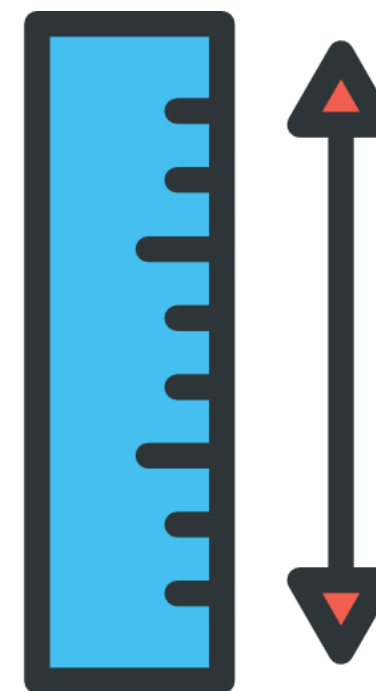
Pronunciation / Syllables

useful  
(use-ful)

Word Class  
(adjective)

Definition:

If something is useful, you can use it to do something or to help you in some way.



The ruler was **useful** for drawing straight lines.

Synonym:

beneficial

handy

Antonym:

unhelpful

inconvenient

Prefix / Suffix:

un-

-ness

Rhyme:

Link Word:

quite

always



# Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

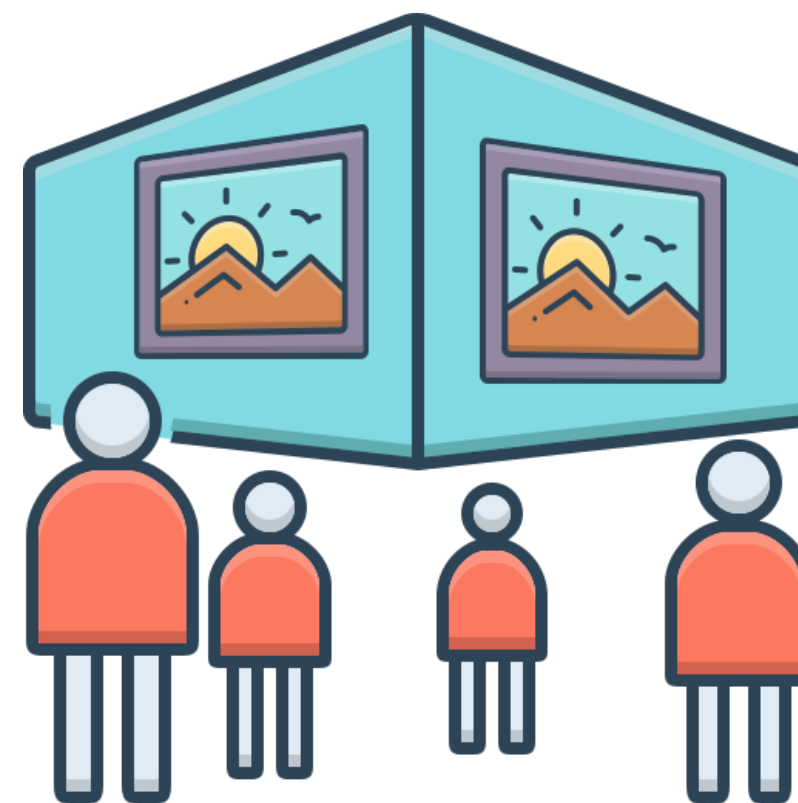
Pronunciation / Syllables

**stare**  
(*stare*)

Word Class  
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you stare at someone or something, you look at them for a long time.



The class **stared** at the art on the wall.

Synonym:

gape

gawk

Antonym:

ignore

neglect

Prefix / Suffix:

out-

-s

Rhyme:

there

air

Link Word:

blankly

intently





# Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

shiver  
(shiv-er)

Word Class  
(verb / noun)

Definition:

When you shiver, your body shakes slightly because you are cold or frightened.



The breeze from the window made the class **shiver**.

Synonym:

quiver  
shudder

Antonym:

be still

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing  
-s

Rhyme:

river  
liver

Link Word:

visibly  
suddenly



# Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class  
(verb)

Word of the Day:

**resist**  
(re-sist)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If you resist something such as a change, you refuse to accept it and try to prevent it.



Harrold tried to **resist** laughing at the funny video.

Synonym:

combat

curb

Antonym:

accept

assist

Prefix / Suffix:

-ance

-ant

Rhyme:

exist

assist

Link Word:

firmly

barely



# Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

**iridescent**

Word Class  
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables

(*ir-i-des-cent*)

## Definition:

Something that is iridescent has many bright colours that seem to keep changing.



The class used **iridescent** paint that shone in the light.

Synonym:

lustrous

pearly

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

Rhyme:

luminescent

adolescent

Link Word:

vividly

softly



# Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

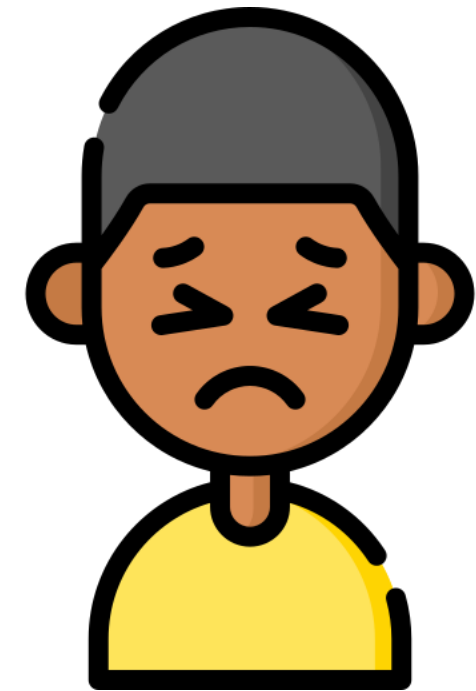
Pronunciation / Syllables

woeful  
(woe-ful)

Word Class  
(adjective)

Definition:

If someone or something is woeful, they are very sad.



Dae let out a **woeful** sigh after getting the wrong answer

Synonym:

grim

lousy

Antonym:

cheerful

happy

Prefix / Suffix:

-ly

Rhyme:

Link Word:

utterly

incredibly



# Shinobi Word of the Day

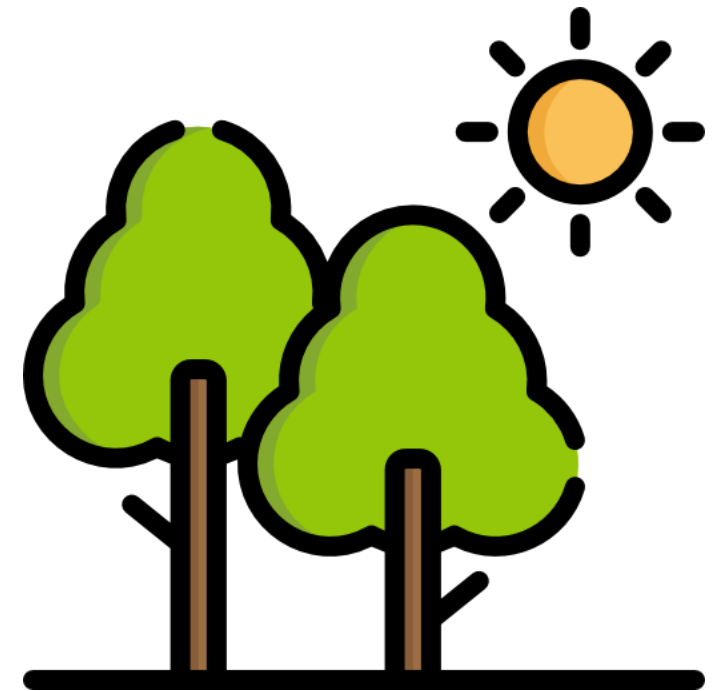
Word Class  
(verb)

Word of the Day: **surround**  
(*sur-round*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

## Definition:

If a person or thing is surrounded by something, that thing is situated all around them.



The tall trees **surround** the playground, giving it shade.

Synonym:

circle  
ring

Antonym:

free

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing  
-ed

Rhyme:

around  
compound

Link Word:

fully  
carefully



# Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class  
(verb)

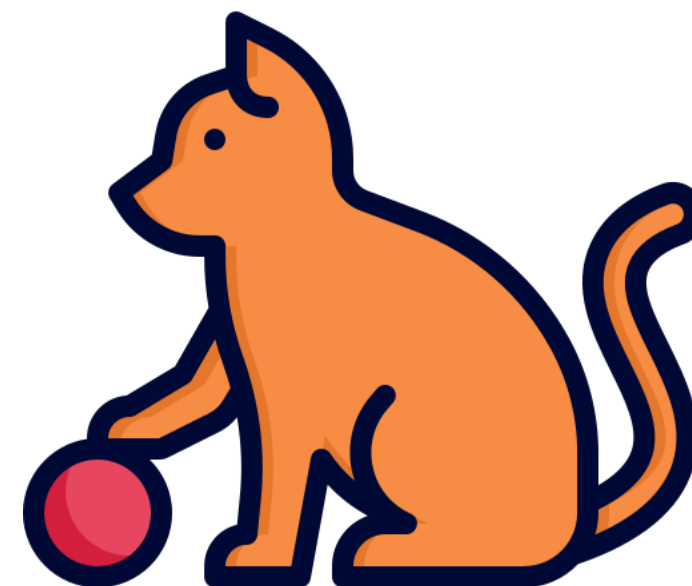
Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

**pounce**  
(*pounce*)

Definition:

If someone pounces on you,  
they come up towards  
you suddenly and take hold of you.



The cat **pounced** on the ball.

Synonym:

leap

dive

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

ounce

bounce

Link Word:

quickly

instantly

# Vocabulary Laboratory



Describe / Definition:

Use it in a sentence:

**Focus Word** (write below):

**Word Class:**

**Synonyms:**

(words with same / similar meaning)

**Antonyms:**

(words with opposite meaning)

**Draw your sentence:**

**Rhymes:**

(words that sound the same)

**Link Words:**

(Example: football = pitch, team, player)

# Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the  
**Grasshopper** words  
and bring them to life.



Word: weep

Word: stare

Word: weird

Word: shiver





# Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Shinobi**  
words and bring  
them to life.



Word: iridescent

Word: surround

Word: woeful

Word: pounce



# Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Grasshopper** words to their definitions.



## Grasshopper Word

## Grasshopper Definitions

weep

If something is \*\*\*, you can use it to do something or to help you in some way.



weird

If someone \*\*\*, they cry.



useful

If you \*\*\* at someone or something, you look at them for a long time.



stare

When you \*\*\*, your body shakes slightly because you are cold or frightened.



shiver

If you describe something or someone as \*\*\*, you mean that they are strange.



# Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Shinobi** words to their definitions.



## Shinobi Word

## Shinobi Definitions

resist

Something that is \*\*\* has many bright colours that seem to keep changing.



iridescent

If someone \*\*\* on you, they come up towards you suddenly and take hold of you.



woeful

If a person or thing is \*\*\* by something, that thing is situated all around them.



surround

If someone or something is \*\*\*, they are very sad.



pounce

If you \*\*\* something such as a change, you refuse to accept it and try to prevent it.





# Display Slips

The following slides are for classroom display. As you teach each Word of the Day, words can be displayed in the classroom to enable pupils to use the taught vocabulary in an independent manner.





weep

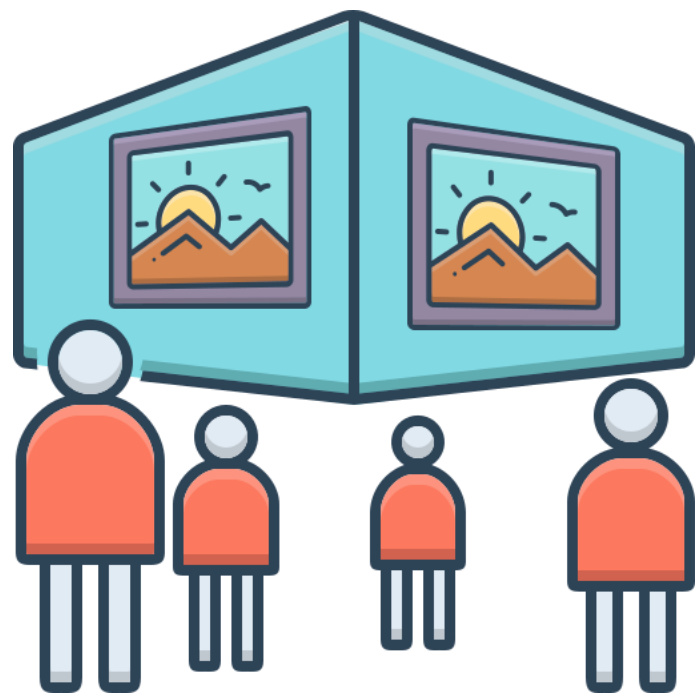
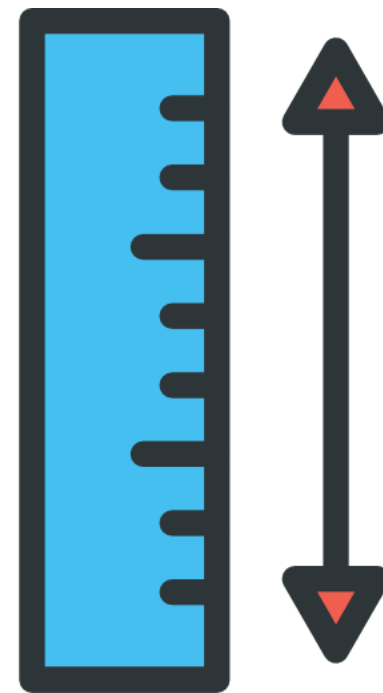


weird





# useful



# stare





# shiver

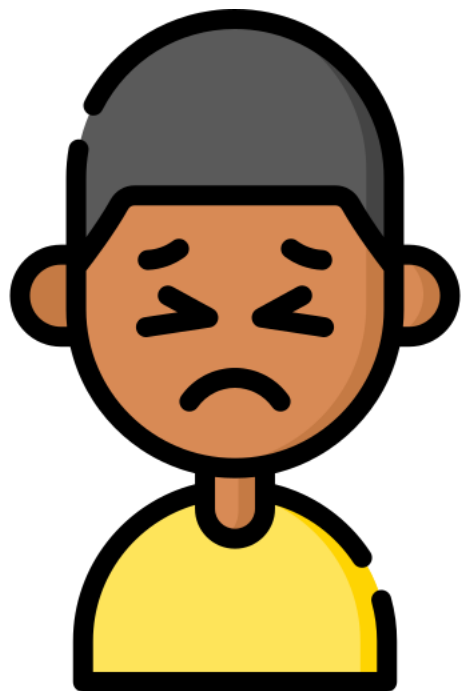


# resist





iridescent



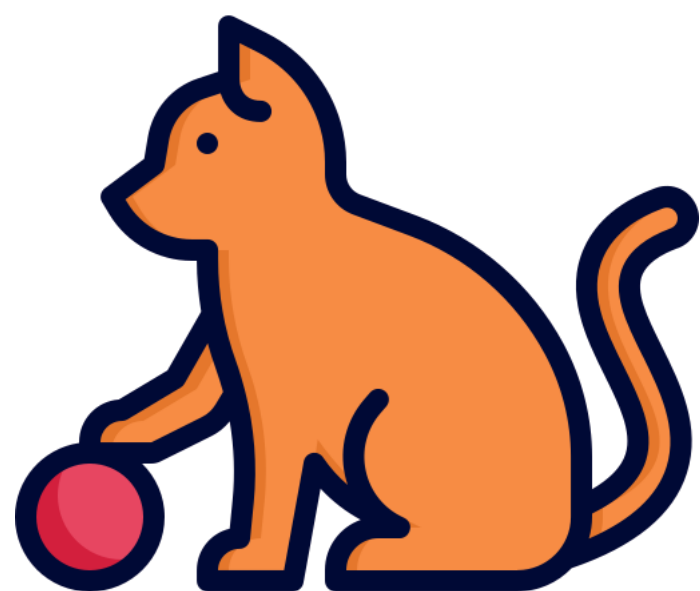
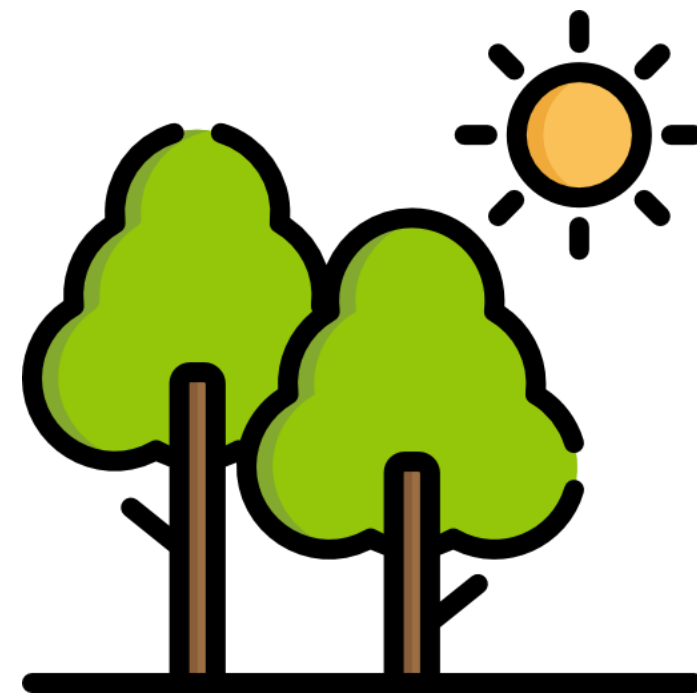
woeful







surround



pounce





# Font Variation

The following display slips contain the same words, but have a more regular font, which have a more regular formation of 'a' and 'g'. Futura is the name of the font.




worried



opini

asure

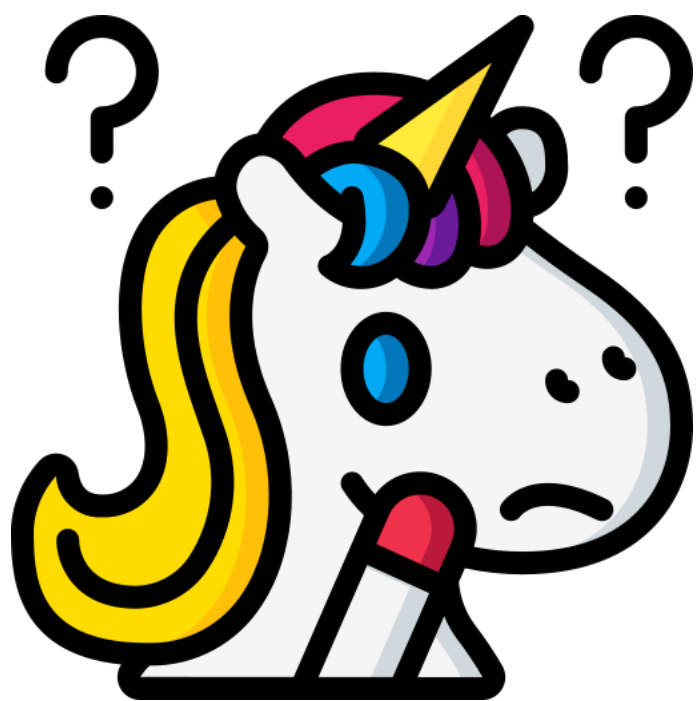
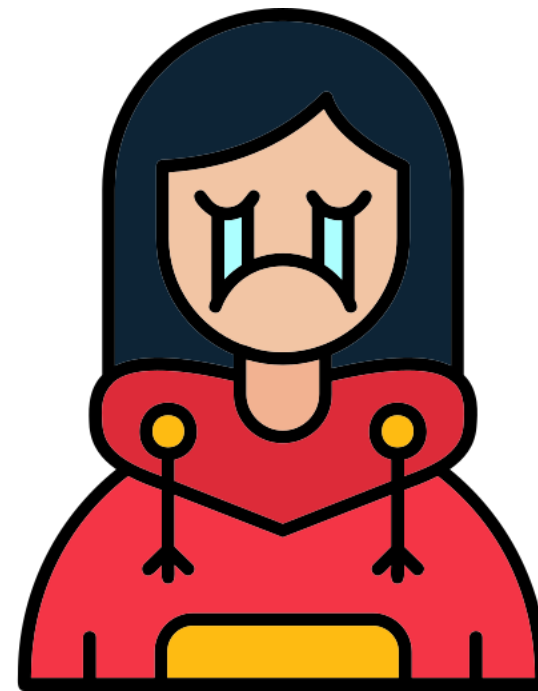


dia





weep

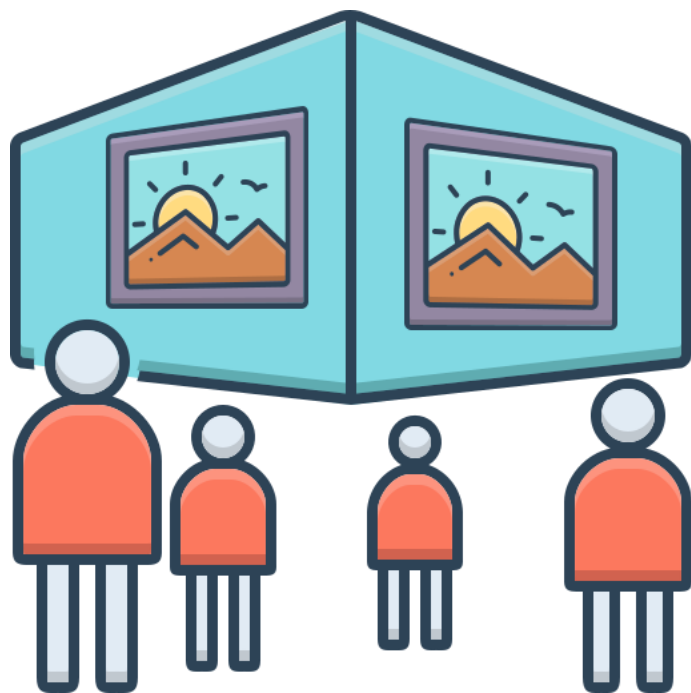
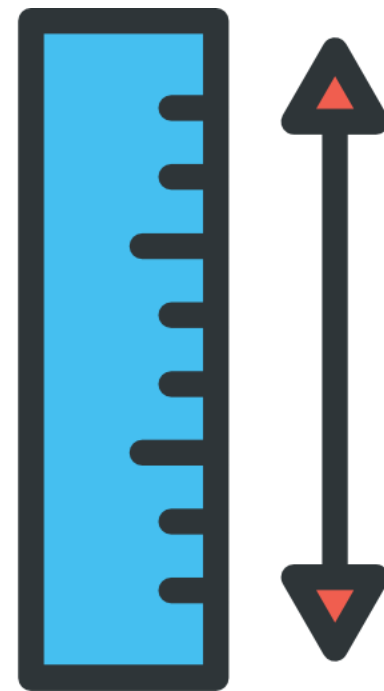


weird





# useful



# stare





# shiver

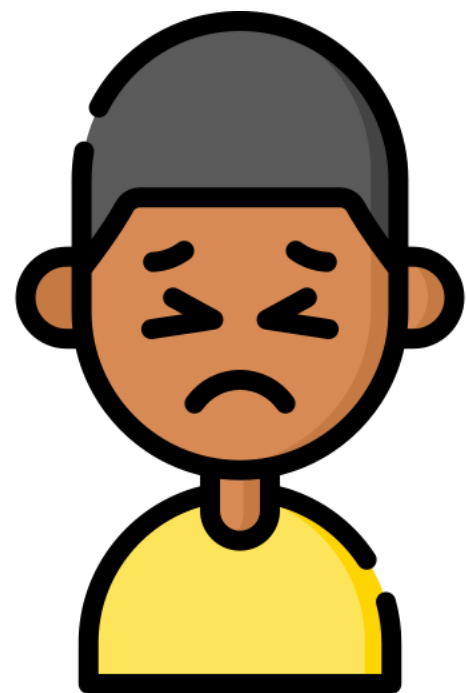


# resist





iridescent

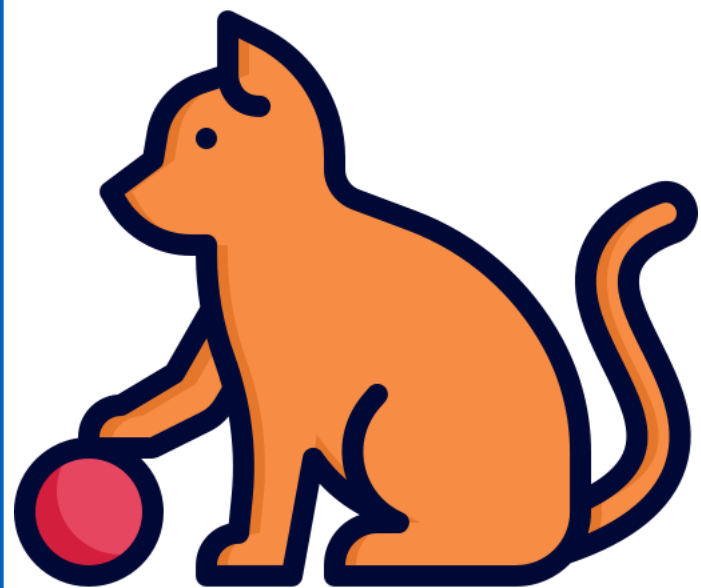
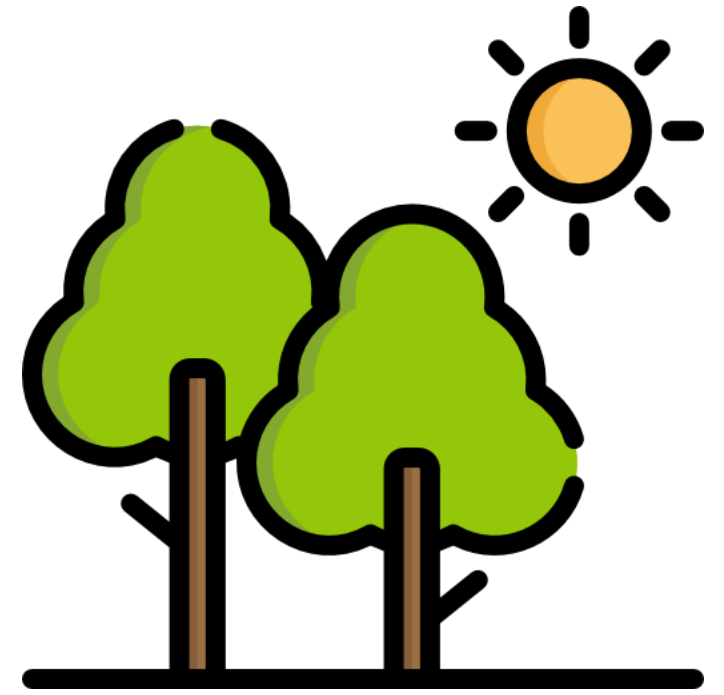


woeful





surround



pounce

