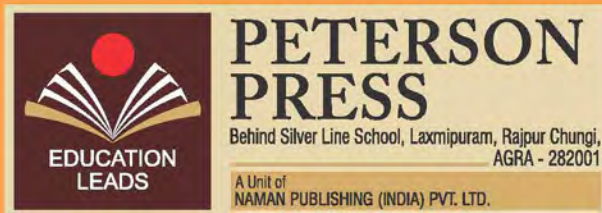




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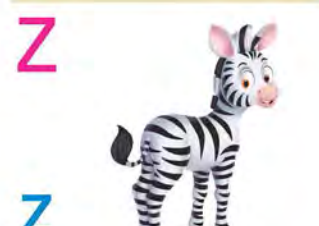
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Recalling the Alphabet

Let us revise the alphabet.





Read and write the capital cursive letters :

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	

Read and write the small cursive letters :

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r
s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	

Vowel Sounds

Do you remember vowel sounds?

Read the words and recall :



a

mad

sad

bad

tag

cam

ram

fan

man

cap

map

fat

mat



e

bed

red

wed

beg

leg

peg

den

hen

ten

jet

pet

wet



i

nib

rib

kid

hid

big

dig

dim

vim

bin

pin

hit

sit



o

mob

rob

rod

pod

dog

fog

hop

top

hot

pot

box

fox



u

bud

mud

bug

hug

gum

sum

bun

fun

pup

sup

hut

nut

Short and Long Vowel Sounds

a Short Sound (ऍ)



apple
ant
axe

Long Sound (ऐ)



angel
ape
ace

e Short Sound (ऎ)



egg
eskimo
elephant

Long Sound (ई)



eagle
ear
earring

i Short Sound (इ)



ink
igloo
insect

Long Sound (आई)



iron
ice
ibex

o Short Sound (ऌ)



octopus
onion
orange

Long Sound (ओ)



oar
old
oval

u Short Sound (ड)



urn
uncle
umbrella

Long Sound (यू)



uniform
universe
unicorn



Teacher's Note

Help the children to pronounce the short and long sounds of 'a' in the given words.





FUN to Do!

Tick (✓) the words which have long vowel sounds :



ant



gate



eagle



cake



igloo



uniform



egg



octopus

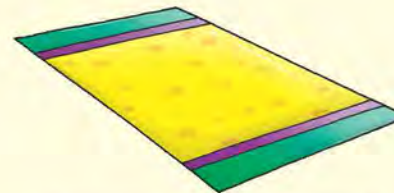
Tick (✓) the words which have short vowel sounds :



fan



face



mat



cat



tape



ox



cold



insect



Learning Skills

• Observation • Identification • Analytical Thinking



Sound of Vowel 'a'

Short Sound



Can

Can has short 'a' sound.
Can sounds like man.

Phonic Practice

bad	dad	mad	pad
bag	fag	hag	tag
ban	can	man	van
cap	gap	lap	map
bat	cat	mat	rat

Long Sound



Cane

Letter 'e' keeps mute,
And makes 'a' sound long.

Phonic Practice

bake	cake	lake	make
came	game	name	fame
face	lace	pace	race
date	hate	mate	rate
ape	cape	nape	tape



Teacher's Note

Let children pronounce the words aloud. Encourage them to think and speak more words giving long a sound.



FUN to Do!

Tick (✓) the pictures which have long 'a' sound names :



















Help Box

van date cap game cake rat lace tape

Write these words under short sound and long sound words:

hat

mate

pale

ban

mate

lap

rate

cat

name

can

male

tag

Short 'a' sound words

Long 'a' sound words



Learning Skills

• Visual identification • Analytical thinking



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Sound of Vowel 'e'

Short Sound



Red

Red has short 'e' sound.
Red sounds like bed.

Phonic Practice

fed	led	red	wed
beg	leg	keg	peg
den	fen	hen	pen
jet	met	pet	wet
bell	cell	hell	well

Long Sound



Read

When 'e' and a come along,
Short sound 'e' becomes long.

Phonic Practice

beat	heat	neat	seat
deal	heal	meal	seal
beak	leak	peak	weak
flea	pea	sea	tea
bead	lead	plead	read



Teacher's Note

Make children pronounce the words aloud. Encourage them to think and say more long 'e' sound words.



FUN to Do!

Tick (✓) the pictures which have long 'e' sound names :



Help Box

peak leg bead jet tea meal weak beak

Write these words under short sound and long sound words:

beam pen team den seal jet pea keg beak beg wet meal

Short 'e' sound words

Long 'e' sound words



Learning Skills

• Visual identification • Analytical thinking

Sound of Vowel 'i'

Short Sound



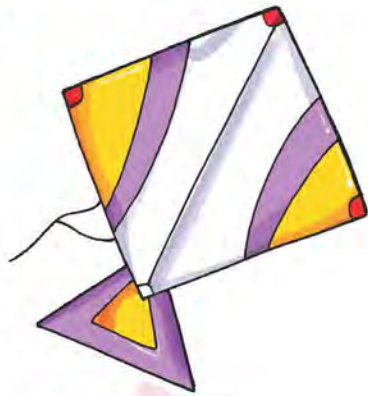
Kit

Kit has short 'i' sound.
Kit sounds like fit.

Phonic Practice

bin	fin	pin	tin
dig	mig	pig	wig
dim	rim	tim	vim
dip	lip	sip	zip
bill	hill	pill	will

Long Sound



Kite

Letter 'e' keeps mute.
But makes 'i' sound long.

Phonic Practice

dine	fine	line	pine
dice	lice	mice	rice
file	mile	pile	smile
bite	kite	rite	site
dive	five	hive	drive







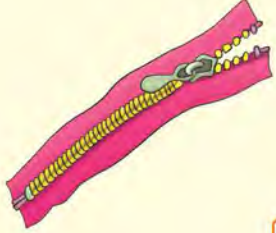



Teacher's Note

Let children pronounce the words aloud. Encourage them to think and speak more words giving long i sound.



Tick (✓) the pictures which have long 'i' sound names :

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Help Box

zip five lime kit hive mice hit drive

Write these words under short and long sound words :

five nine sit file hit rice wig mig vine kit pine lit

Short 'i' sound words

Long 'i' sound words



Learning Skills

- Visual identification
- Analytical thinking



Sound of Vowel 'o'

Short Sound



Cop

Cop has short 'o' sound.
Cop sounds like hop.

Phonic Practice

bog	dog	fog	log
mob	nob	rob	sob
cot	not	pot	rot
cop	hop	mop	sop
boll	doll	poll	roll

Long Sound



Cope

Letter 'e' keeps mute,
But makes 'o' sound long.

Phonic Practice

bone	cone	tone	zone
cope	hope	pope	rope
bore	core	more	tore
dose	hose	nose	rose
dome	home	rome	tome











Teacher's Note

Ask children to say the words aloud. Help them pronounce more short and long sound words.



Tick (✓) the pictures which have long 'o' sound names :

			
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Help Box

cot home rose dog nose mop bone rope

Write these words under short and long sound words :

tome pot sop rome nose not rot dome bore sob hope mob

Short 'o' sound words

Long 'o' sound words



Learning Skills

- Visual identification
- Analytical thinking



Sound of Vowel 'u'

Short Sound



Tub has short 'u' sound.
Tub sounds like cub.

Phonic Practice

cub	hub	rub	tub
bun	gun	run	sun
hug	jug	mug	rug
but	cut	hut	gut
cup	pup	sup	tup

Long Sound



Letter 'e' keeps mute,
But makes 'u' sound long.

Phonic Practice

cute	flute	jute	mute
use	fuse	muse	duke
mule	rule	cube	tube
dude	nude	rude	fume
blue	clue	flue	glue



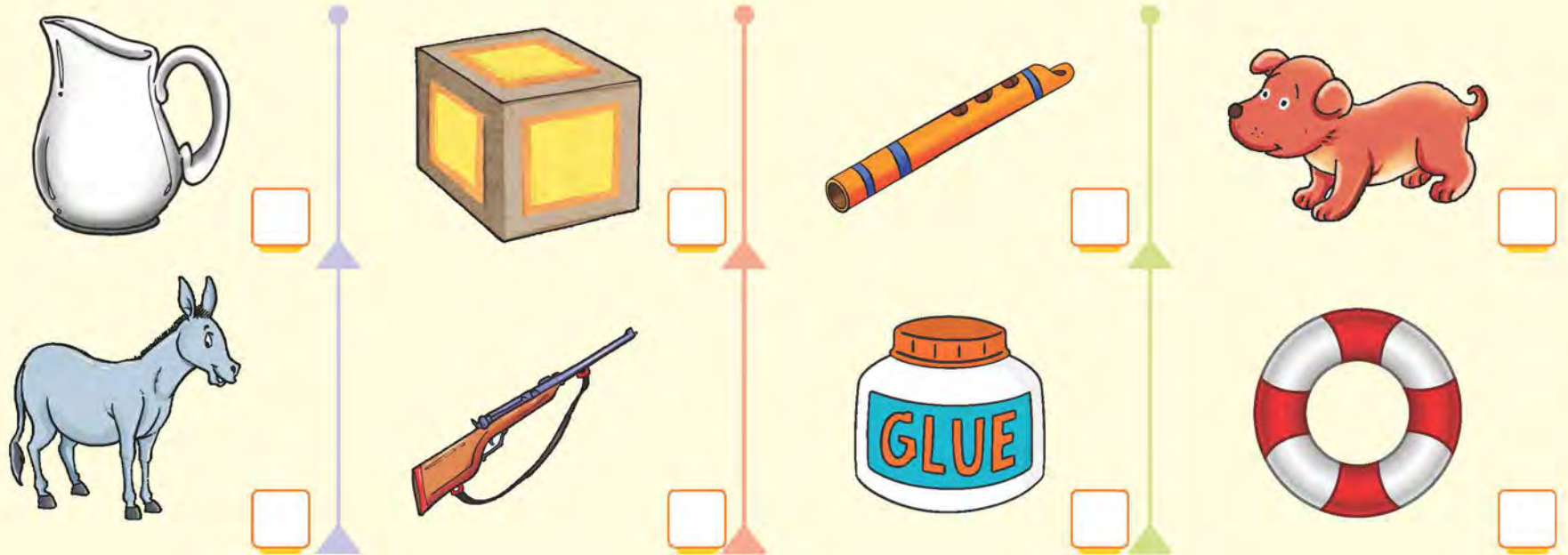
Teacher's Note

Help children to say the words aloud. Encourage them to think and speak more words with long 'u' sound.



FUN to Do!

Tick (✓) the pictures which have long 'u' sound names :



Help Box

gun tube mule jug flute pup cube glue

Write these words under short and long sound words :

cute mug fume hug flue cup bun rude rug rule but mute

Short 'u' sound words

Long 'u' sound words



Learning Skills

• Visual identification • Analytical thinking



Diphthongs

Diphthong is a sound that begins with a vowel and joins to another; as 'ai' in rail.

'ai' and 'ay' sounds

'ai'



nail

mail

rail

pail

train

brain

drain

grain

saint

faint

paint

waist

'ay'



day

bay

hay

ray

tray

bray

gray

pray

way

lay

may

pay



Teacher's Note

Let children read the words aloud. Encourage them to think about and speak more words giving the same sound.



Tick (✓) the correct word for each picture :



tray trai



tayl tail



rayl rail



sprai spray



rain rayn



mayl mail

Match the pictures with correct sentences :



• Boats sail in the rain. •



• Ant sits to pray. •



• The snail is frail. •



• The cow eats hay. •



Learning Skills

• Visualisation • Logical thinking • Association

'ee' and 'ea' sounds

As 'ee' sounds in **bee**, 'ea' sounds in **bean**.

As 'ea' sounds in **bear**, 'ee' sounds in **deer**.

'ee'



bee

lee

see

glee



jeep

beep

deep

keep



feed

heed

need

seed

'ea'



bear

dear

hear

gear



seal

deal

meal

peal



eat

beat

feat

heat



Teacher's Note

Encourage the kids to read the words aloud. Make them practise the sounds.



Tick (✓) the correct word for each picture :



tree trea



jeap jeep



weap weep



dear deer



eat eet



seel seal

Match the pictures with correct sentences :



- The **jeep** makes a **beep**.
- The **bee** seems **glee**.
- The **bear** has a **pear**.
- The **deer** can **hear**.



Learning Skills

• Visualisation • Logical thinking • Association

'y' and 'ie' sounds

As 'y' sounds in 'fly', 'ie' sounds in tie.

As 'ie' sounds in pie, 'y' sounds in fry.



fly

cry

dry

try



eye

bye

dye

aye



my

by

ply

sly



tie

die

lie

pie

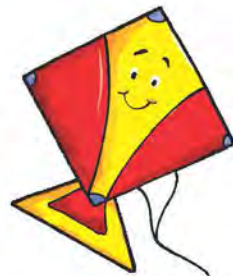


rice

dice

mice

lice



kite

bite

rite

side



Teacher's Note

Ask the children to read the words aloud. Encourage them to find more rhyming words.



Tick (✓) the correct word for each picture :



9



cry

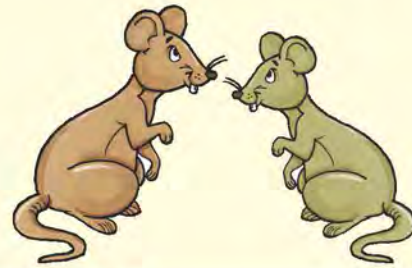
ply

vine

nine

dry

fry



pie

tie

rice

mice

tile

mile

Match the pictures with correct sentences :



• A dog can bite.

• Open your eye.

• We eat bread slice.

• Why do you cry?



Learning Skills

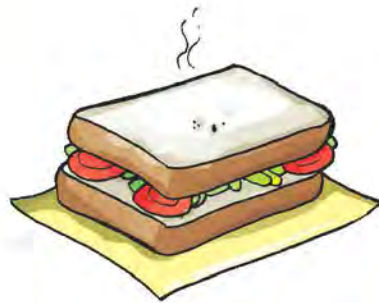
• Identification • Logical thinking • Association

'oa' and 'oi' sounds

As 'oa' sounds in 'boat', it sounds the same in goat.

If you make a noise, you will get no coin.

oa



goat

boat

coat

float

toad

road

load

hoard

toast

roast

loan

coach

oi



oil

boil

coil

foil

coin

join

loin

oink

joint

point

moist

voice



Teacher's Note

Tell the kids about the difference between sounds of 'oa' and 'oi'. Then let them pronounce the words aloud.



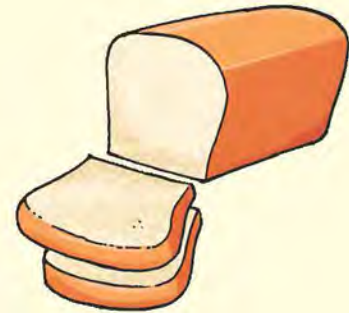
Tick (✓) the correct word for each picture :



coat boat



soap rope



load loaf



coin coil

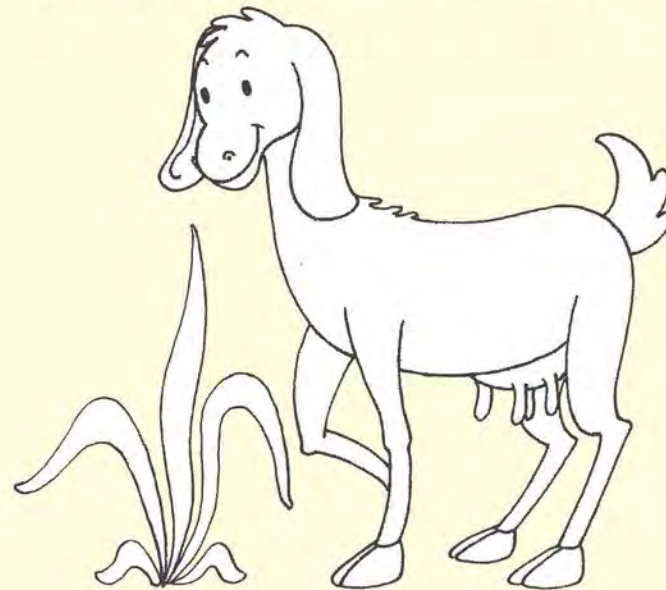
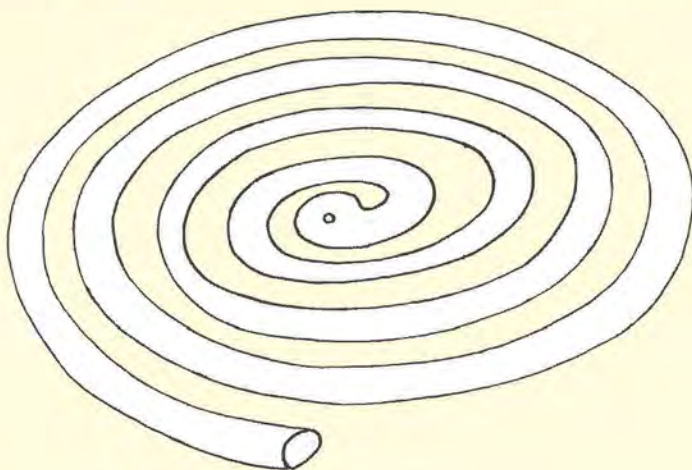


foil oil



soil toil

Colour the 'oa' name picture in green. Colour the 'oi' name picture in red.



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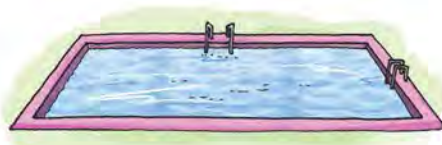
- Visual discrimination
- Fine motor skills.

'oo' and 'ou' sounds

As 'oo' sounds in 'moon', it sounds the same in spoon.

If you have a house, there may be a mouse.

oo



pool

cool

fool

tool



moon

boon

noon

soon



food

mood

roof

hoof

ou



house

douse

rouse

mouse



mouth

south

sprout

stout



hound

bound

found

ground



Teacher's Note

Train the kids to pronounce the sounds of 'oo' and 'ou'.
Introduce more such words and let them try.





FUN to Do!

Fill in the blanks with 'oo' or 'ou' to complete the words :

m____n	r____f	t____l	f____d	sh____t
m____th	f____nd	r____nd	s____nd	h____d
st____l	b____nd	b____n	s____th	m____d

Look at the pictures and complete their names :



bl____se



st____l



s____nd



m____n



sp____n



m____th



r____t



ball____n



Learning Skills

• Analytical thinking • Observation • Reasoning

'ow' and 'oy' sounds

As 'ow' sounds in 'owl', it sounds the same in fowl.

If you are a boy, you can play with any toy.

ow



bow

low

mow

row



crow

brow

grow

throw



snow

blow

flow

glow

oy



boy

coy

joy

soy



sepoi

annoy

enjoy

cowboy



oyster

loyal

royal

voyage



Teacher's Note

Encourage the children to pronounce the words aloud. Say words yourself to clear them the difference between sounds of 'ow' and 'oy'.



FUN to Do!

Complete the picture names by filling in the blanks with **ow** and **oy** :



c _____



b _____



t _____



cr _____



b _____



sep _____



sn _____



c _____ b _____

Cross (X) the odd one out in each line :



cow how now boy row

boy coy toy joy crow

snow soy blow flow glow

royal loyal grow doyen voyage



Learning Skills

• Visualisation • Analytical thinking • Reasoning

Fusion of Constants

'ch' and 'th' sounds

When two consonants are put together and spoken as a single letter, it is called fusion or consonant blend.

ch



chair

child

cheese

chick

chain

chilli

chew

chips

watch

beach

bitch

lunch

th



thumb

three

thin

thread

bath

cloth

moth

tooth

throat

thirty

think

path



Teacher's Note

Tell the kids about more words with 'ch' and 'th'. Help them to pronounce the words correctly.



'ck' and 'sh' sounds

As 'ck' sounds in duck, similarly it sounds in buck.

As 'sh' sounds in dish, similarly it sounds in fish.

ck



duck

buck

tuck

truck

cock

rock

clock

block

kick

brick

lick

sick

sh



ship

shirt

shut

shop

brush

bush

push

crush

shoes

shell

shout

shake



Teacher's Note

Help children pronounce the 'ck' and 'sh' words. Encourage them to think about more words and speak them.



 **FUN** to Do!

Match the words with correct pictures :



duck



fish

sheep



brush



Complete the words with 'ck' and 'sh'.



___ocolate ▲



___ip ▲



___ick ▲



___oes ▲



___eep ▲



bu___ ▲



fi___ ▲



pea___ ▲



Learning Skills

- Mental ability
- Identification
- Discretionary Skills



Use of 'A' and 'An'

Use of 'a'

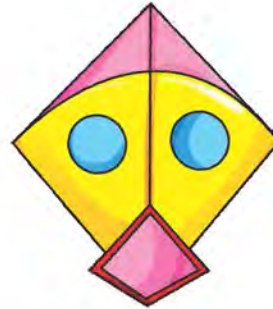
We use 'a' before singular words beginning with a consonant or consonant sound.



a boy



a hen



a kite



a tree

Read aloud

a bat a cat a dog a fox a goat

a man a hat a jug a kite a lion

a nest a pen a queen a rat a sky

a train a van a woman a yak a zebra



Teacher's Note

Tell the children about the use of 'a'. Speak before them more words using 'a' and let them follow you.

Use of 'an'

We use 'an' before singular words which begin with a vowel or vowel sound.



an apple



an egg



an inkpot



an orange

Read aloud

an ant an axe an ass an aeroplane an arrow

an eagle an elbow an engine an elephant an ear

an inkpot an icecream an iron an icon an iguana

an ox an owl an onion an oval an oasis

an umbrella an umpire an udder an umber an uncle



Teacher's Note

Tell the children about the use of 'an'. Speak before them more words using 'an' and let them follow you.

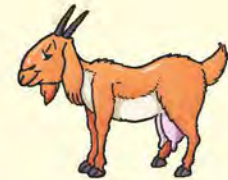


Write 'a' or 'an' in the blanks :



_____ ant

_____ goat



_____ cat

_____ engine



_____ aeroplane

_____ van



Match the pictures correctly, with 'a' or 'an' :



a

an



Learning Skills

- Observation
- Discretionary skills
- Comprehension



Use of 'The'

We use 'the' to talk about one specific thing or many things.



'The' also helps in making sentences :

cat
a cat
a fat cat
The cat is fat.



boy
a boy
a happy boy
The boy is happy.



Teacher's Note

Tell the kids about the use of 'the' before words and in sentences. Ask them to read the given sentences aloud.



Write 'the' in the blanks :



_____ sun



_____ Red Fort



_____ Ramayan



_____ Ganga

Fill in the blanks with a, an or the to complete the sentences :



_____ bud
 _____ red bud
 _____ bud is red.



_____ emu
 _____ ugly emu
 _____ emu is ugly.



Learning Skills

- Observation
- Identification
- Discretionary skills

Naming Words

The word we use to name a person, animal, place or thing is a **naming word**.



All the names in the picture are naming words.

Can you remember some more naming words? Tell about them to your teacher.



Teacher's Note

Tell the children that everything in the world has a name. All such names are naming words. Ask them to name the things around them.



FUN to Do!

Fill in the blanks with first letter of each picture name to complete it.



___all



___irl



___en



___encil



___ut



___wl

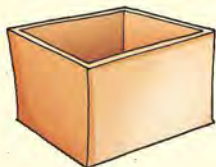


___ag



___pple

Match the pictures with their names :



car

tortoise

cow

man

sun

box



Learning Skills

• Visualisation • Identification • Association