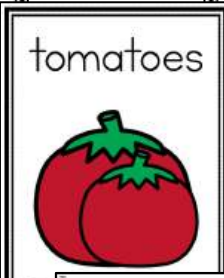


DRAMATIC PLAY

FARMERS MARKET



Receipt
Name _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> tomatoes	<input type="checkbox"/> eggs
<input type="checkbox"/> corn	<input type="checkbox"/> honey

Total Cost \$ _____



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Farmer's Market Dramatic Play Center

Preparation:

Gather fruit, vegetables, and dairy products from your play food collection and create a farmer's market in your class. Don't forget the cash register and overalls!

Handy Hint:

Use a piece of fabric to create a sun awning over the area and hang a farm-themed backdrop to complete the look.



Prop Checklist:

- Pretend fruit
- Pretend vegetables
- Plastic eggs
- Clean empty milk cartons
- Clean empty plastic honey container
- Baskets
- Reusable bags
- Straw hats
- Overalls & plaid shirts
- Farm backdrop
- Clipboards
- Cash register
- Pillow case or piece of fabric to use as a sun awning



Farmer's Market
Dramatic Play Blog Post

Book Recommendations:

- *On the Farm, At the Market* by G Brian Karas
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Farmer's Market

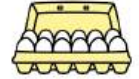
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eggs



honey



grapes



reusable bags



strawberries



eggplant



Name Tags



Cashier

bananas



30¢

milk



\$2 per gallon



Food Storage

Hello, I'm the Farmer



Hello, I'm the Bagger



Hello, I'm the Farmer



Hello, I'm the Customer



Hello, I'm the Customer



Hello, I'm the Cashier



How to pack a food bag.



Shopping List

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FARMER'S MARKET

Play & Learn at Home



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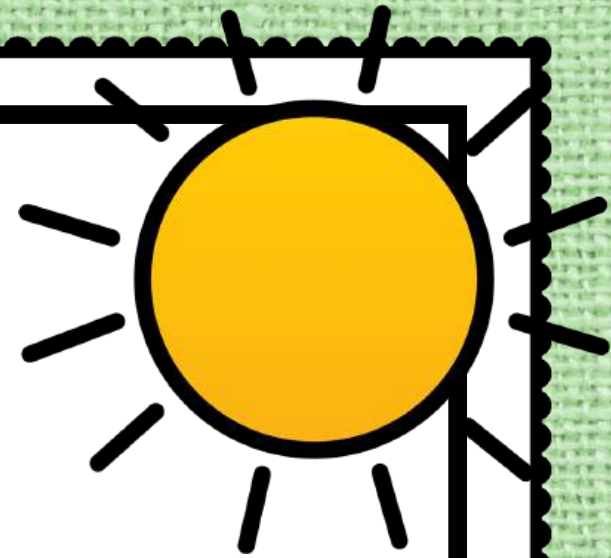
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is

OPEN



The
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is

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Receipt

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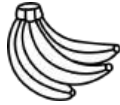
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lettuce



peaches



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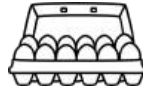
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eggs



corn



honey



Total Cost \$ _____

Receipt

Name _____

apples



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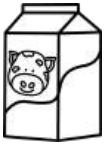
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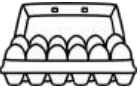
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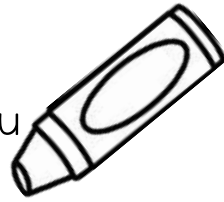
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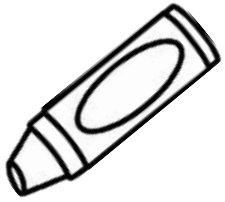
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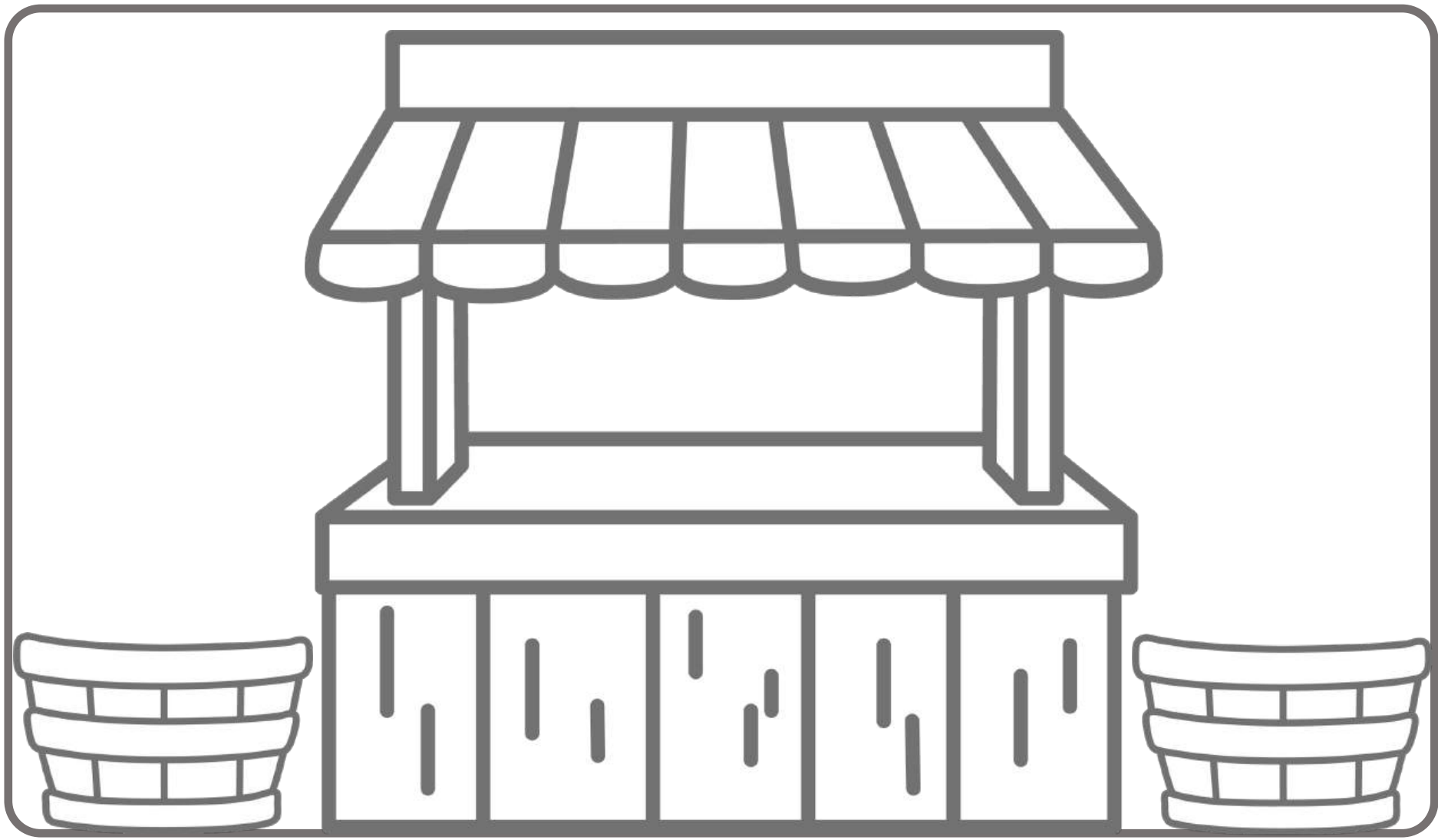
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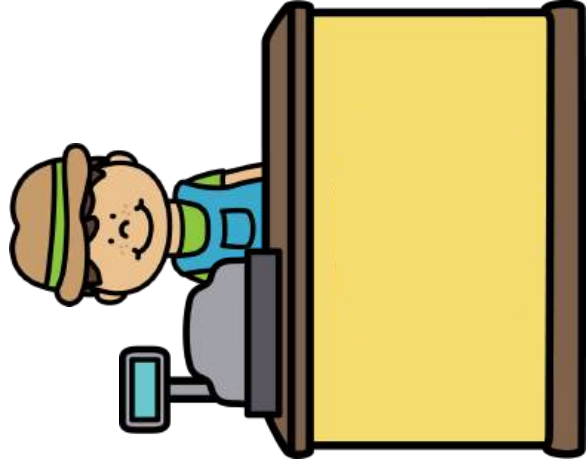
Name _____

Draw a picture of fruits and vegetables at your farmer's stand.



My favorite fruit is _____.

My favorite vegetable is _____.



Cashier

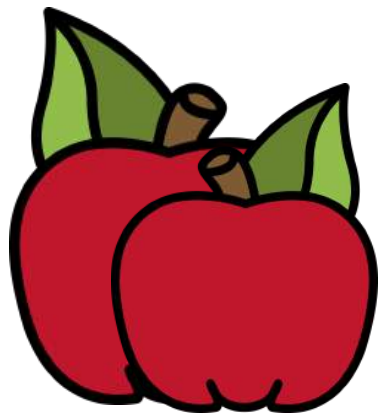


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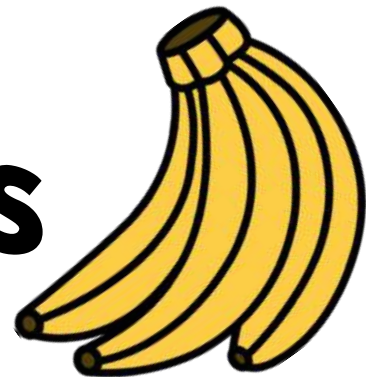


Name Tags

apples



bananas



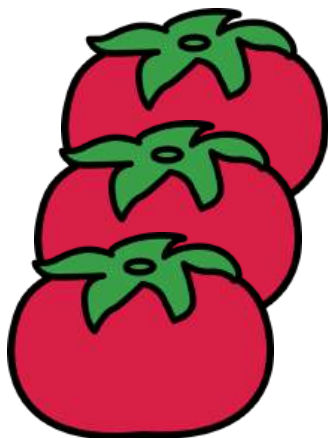
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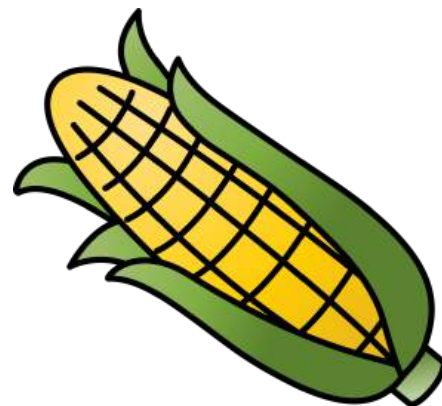
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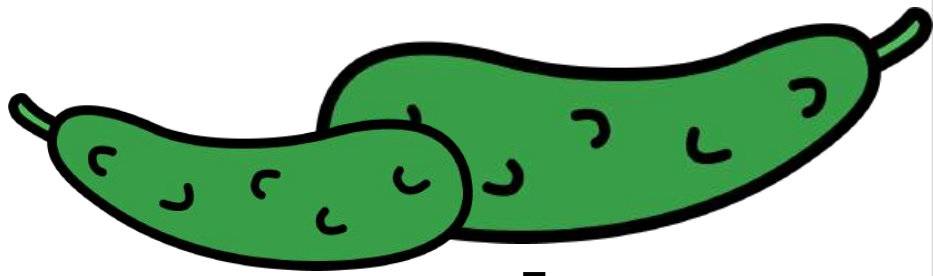


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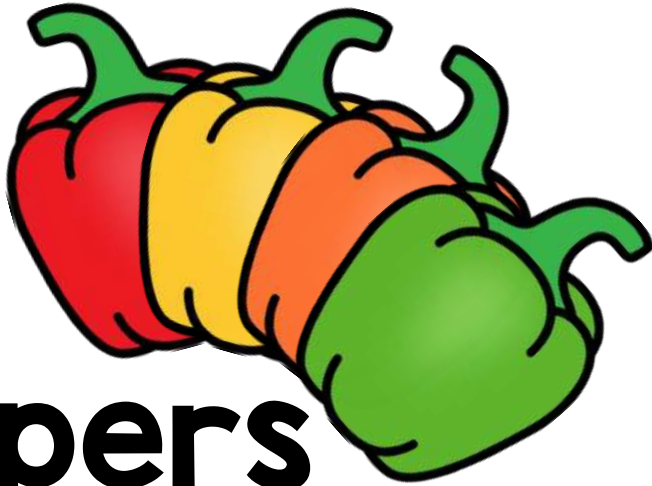




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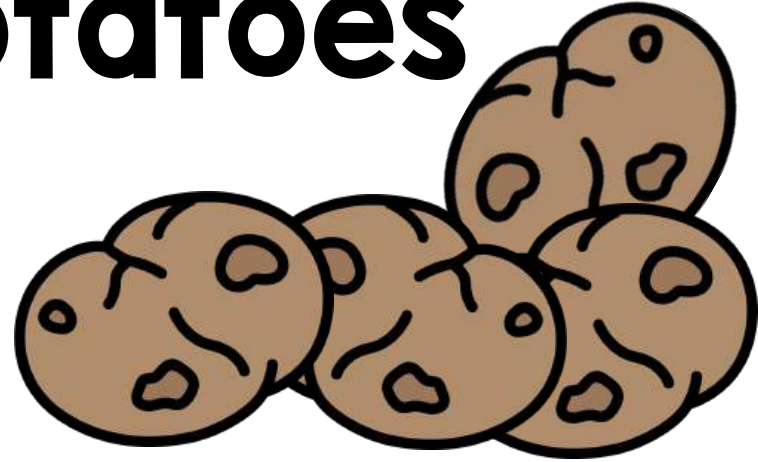


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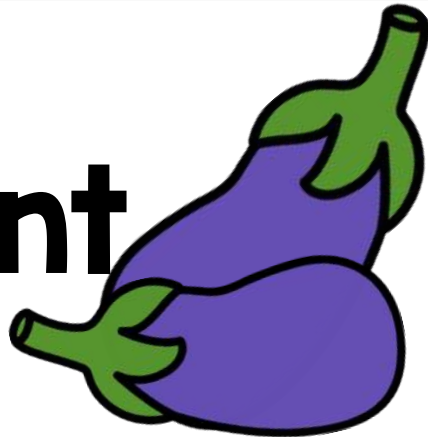


**bell
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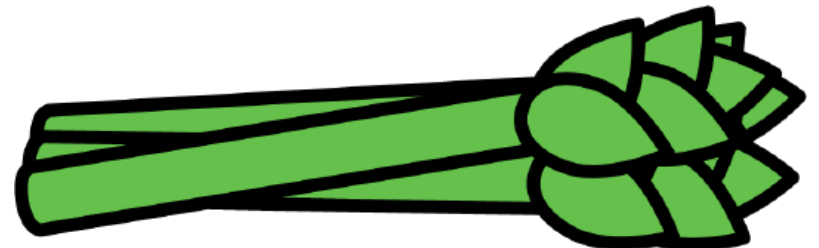
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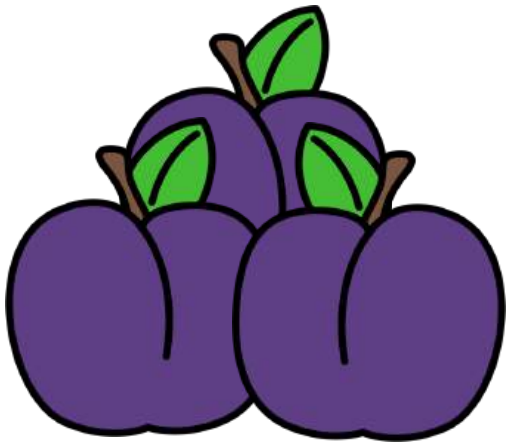
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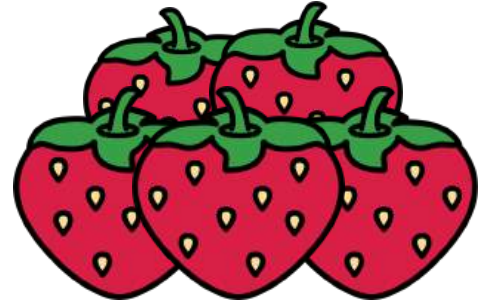
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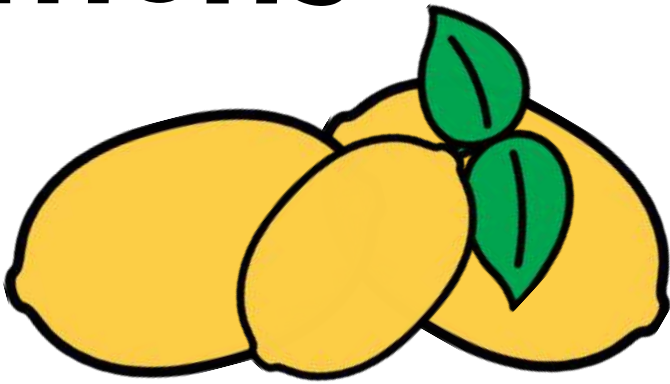
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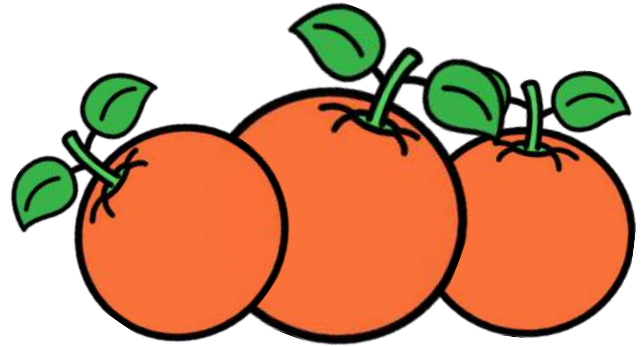
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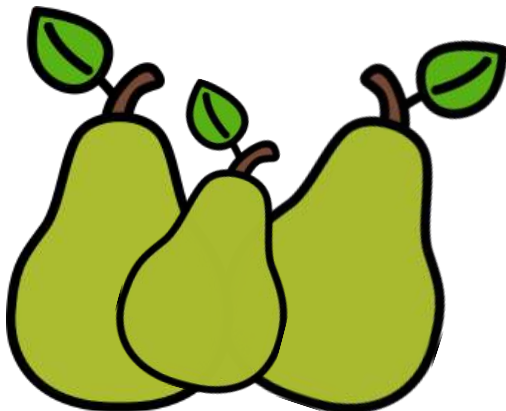
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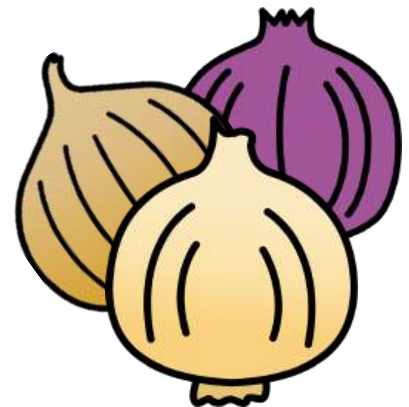
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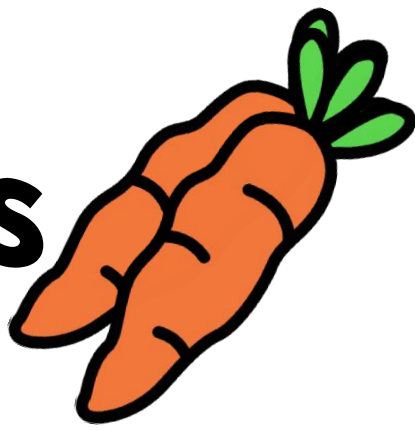
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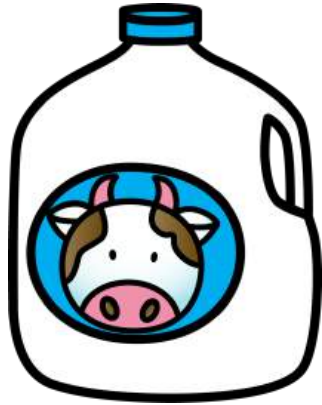
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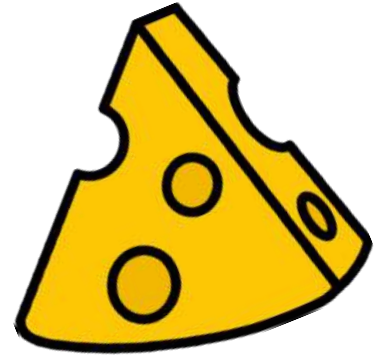
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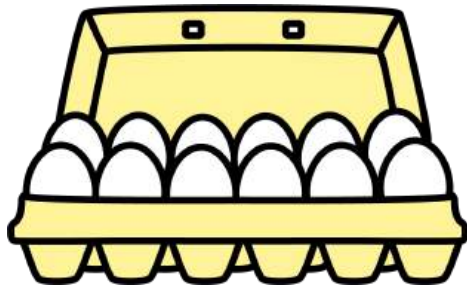
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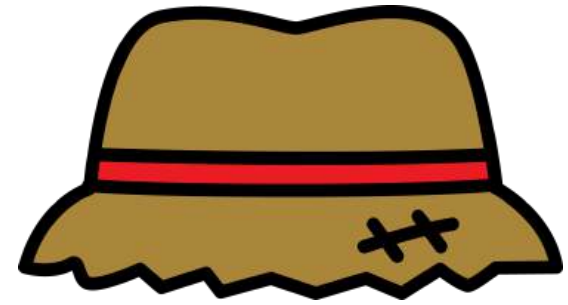
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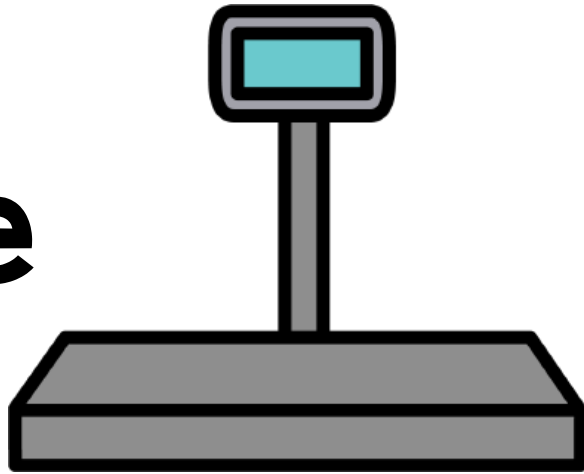
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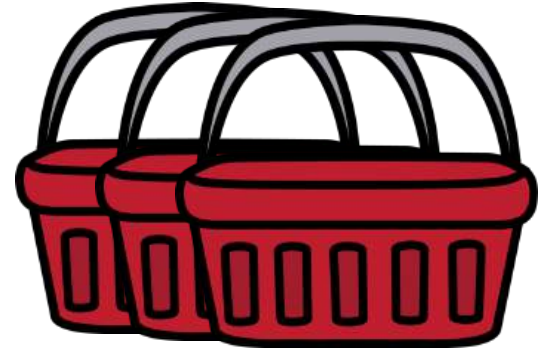
hats



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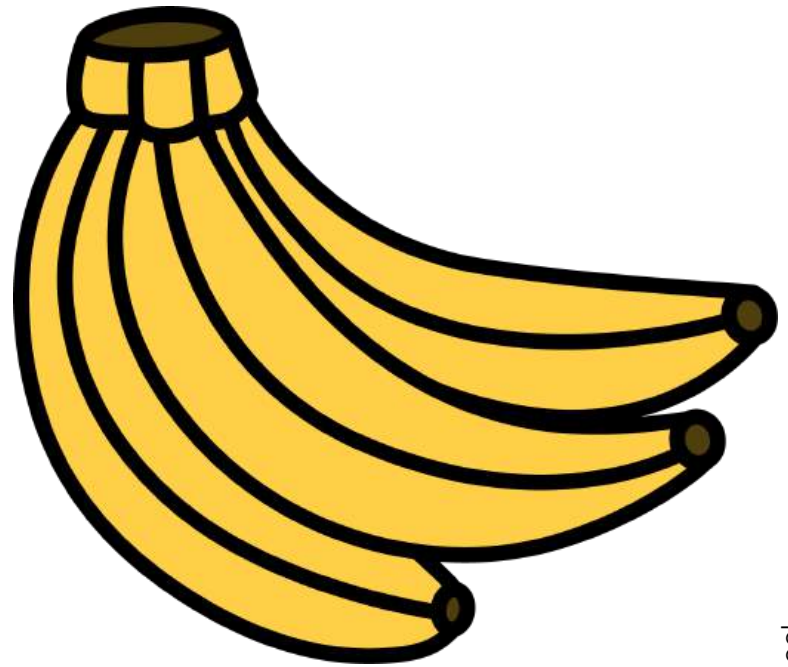


apples



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bananas



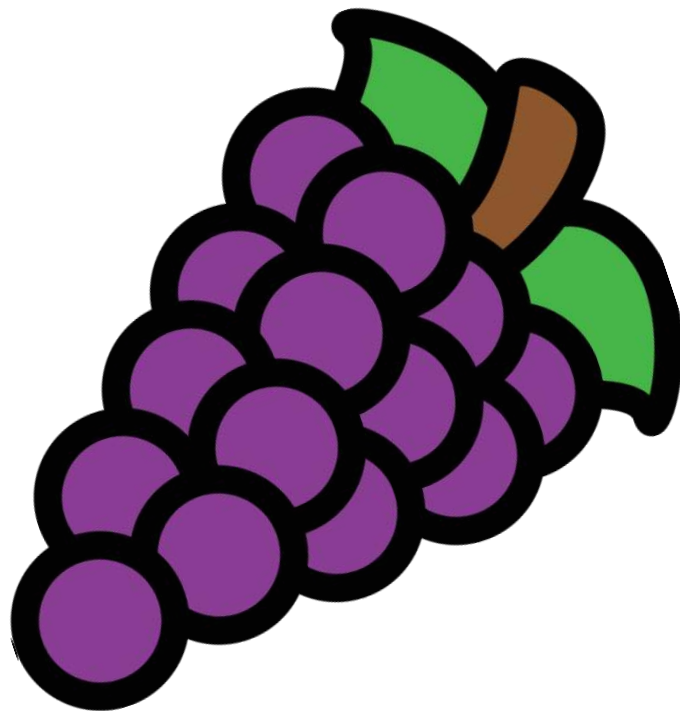
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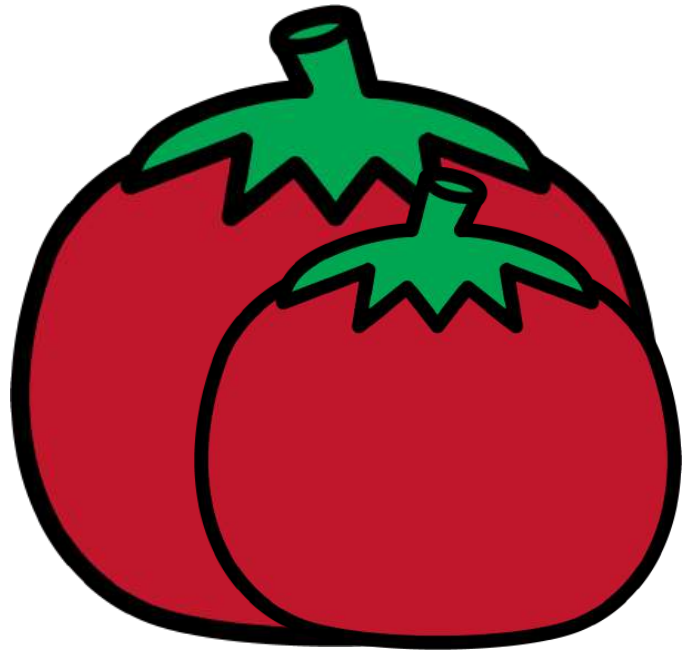
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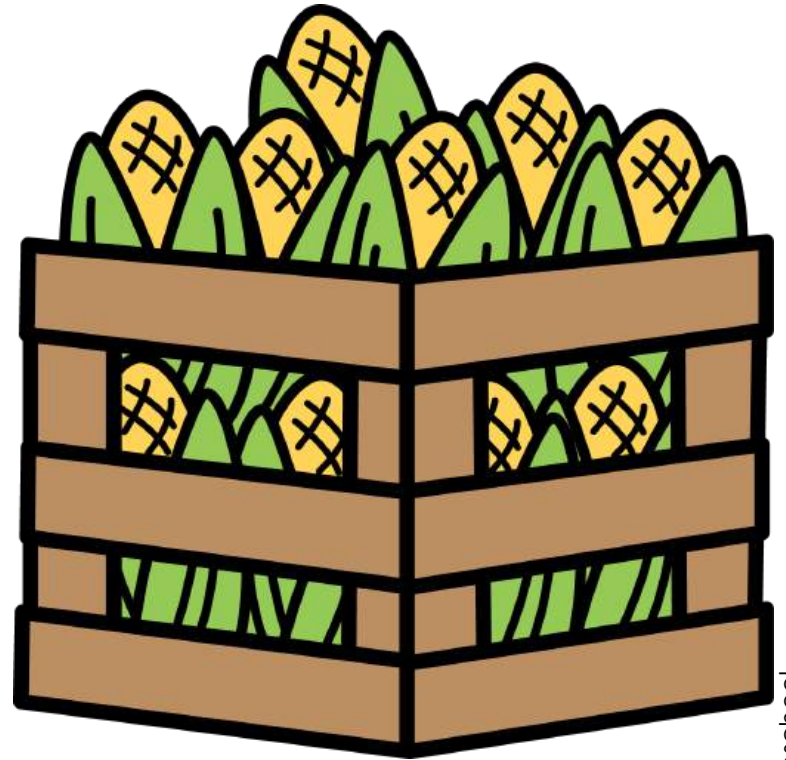
\$1
per bunch

tomatoes



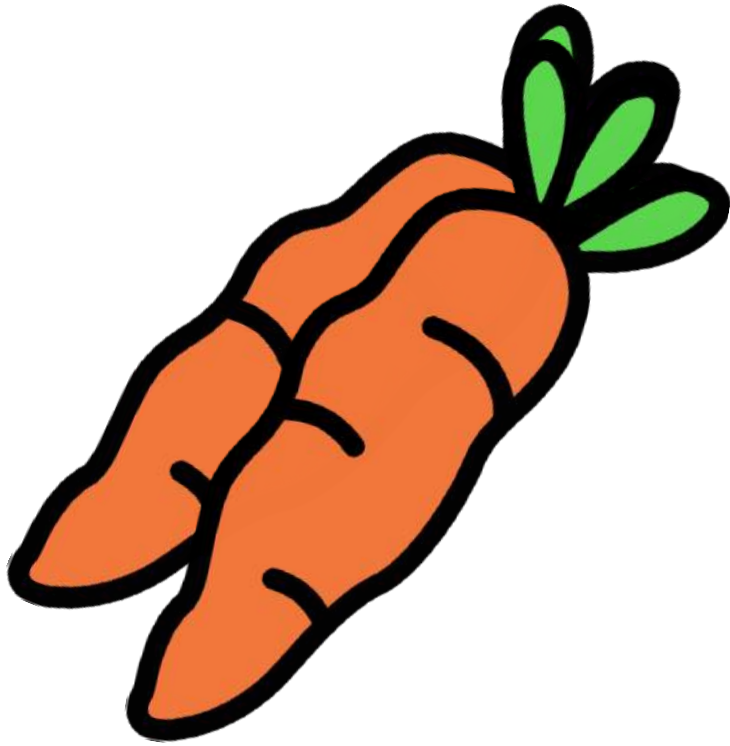
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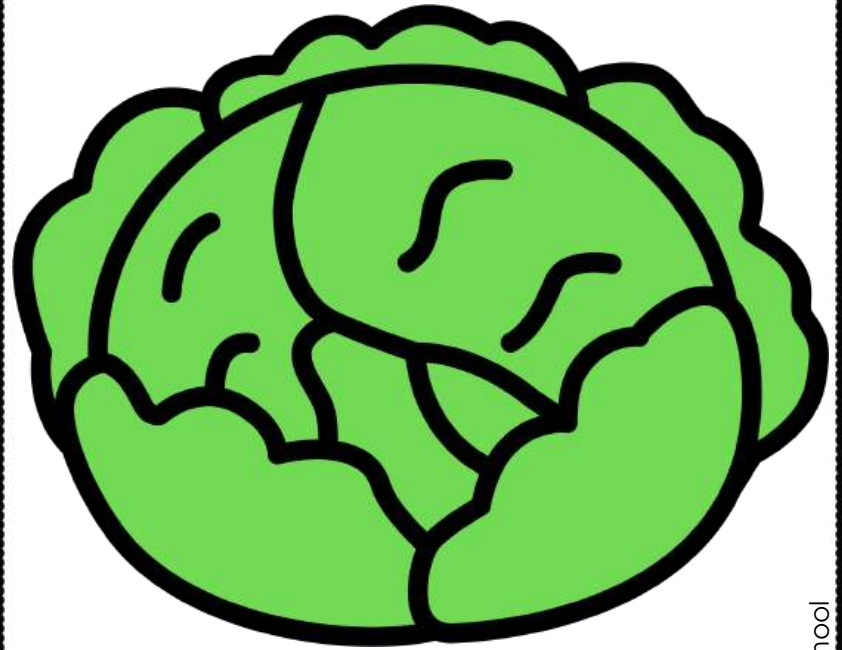
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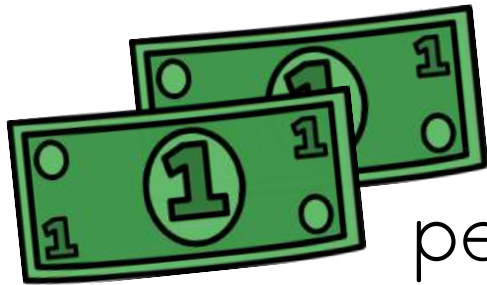
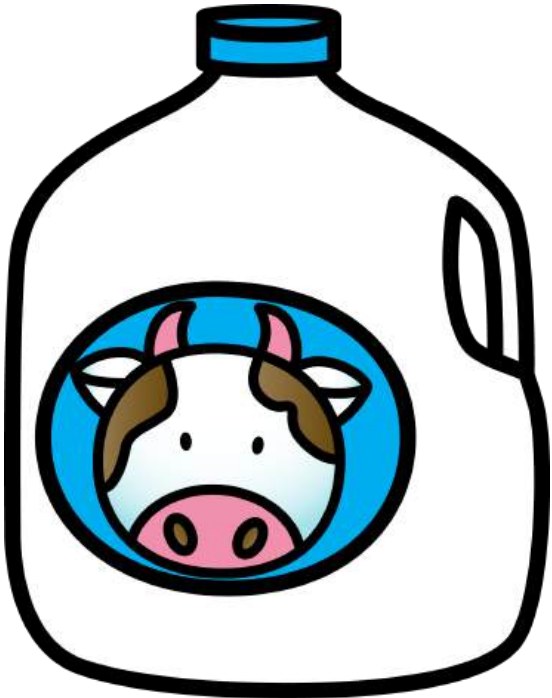
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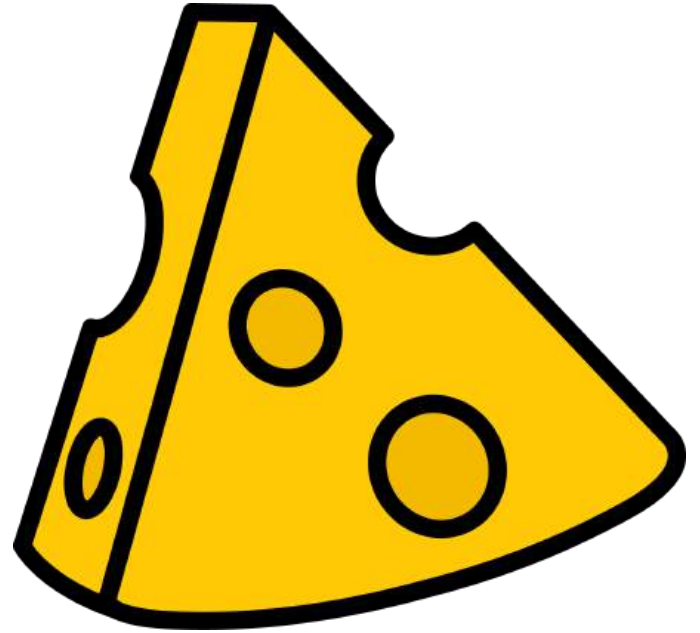
milk



\$2

per gallon

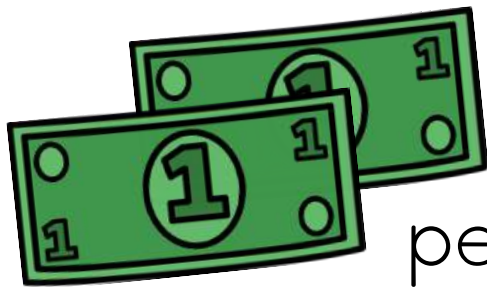
cheese



\$1

per pound

eggs



\$2

per dozen

honey



\$2

per jar

How to pack a food bag.



1



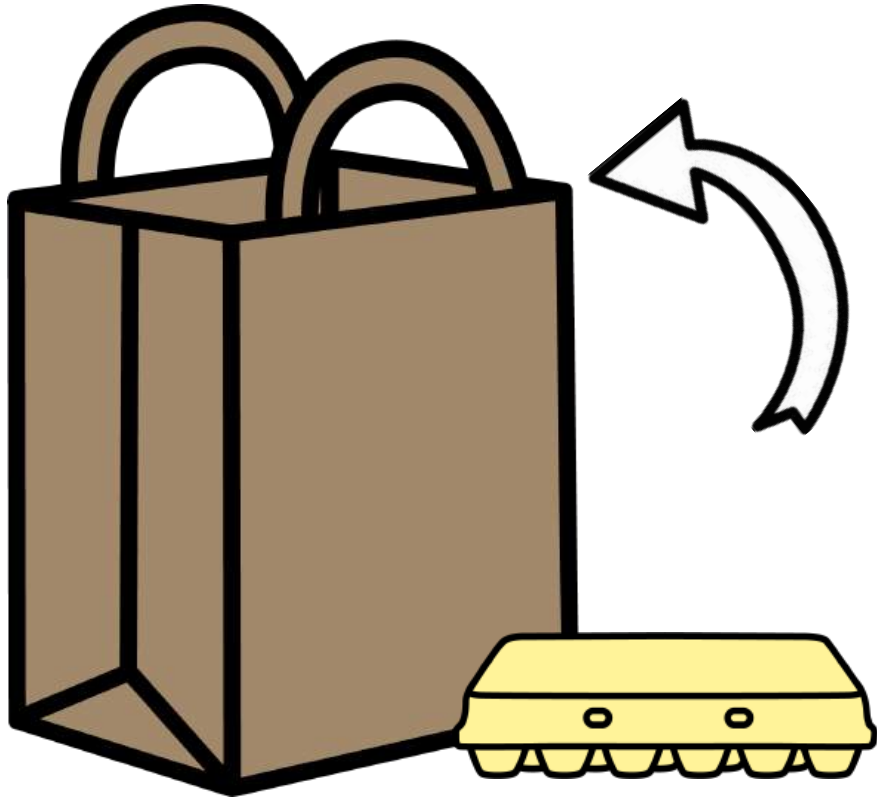
First, place heavy items and jars in the bottom of the bag.

2



Next, put the fruits and vegetables in the bag.

3



Last, set breakable items, like eggs, on top.

4



Now carry your fresh food home and enjoy.

Hello, I'm the...

Farmer



Hello, I'm the...

Farmer



Hello, I'm the...

Farmer



Hello, I'm the...

Farmer



Hello, I'm the...

Cashier



Hello, I'm the...

Bagger



Hello, I'm the...

Cashier



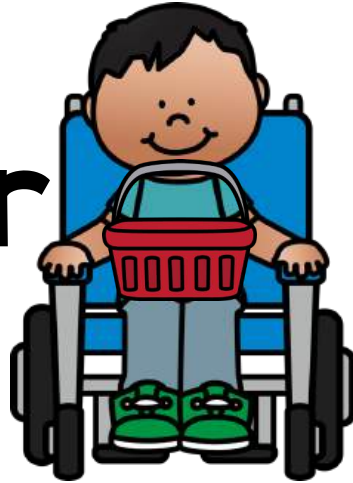
Hello, I'm the...

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Hello, I'm the...

Customer



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Farmer's Market

Language Board



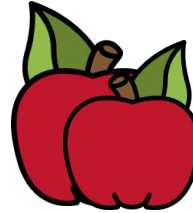
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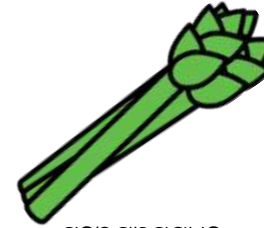
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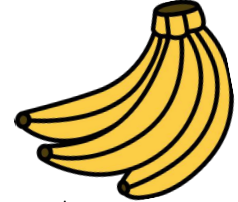
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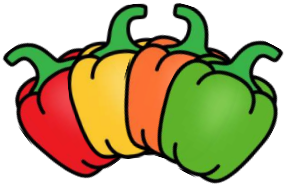
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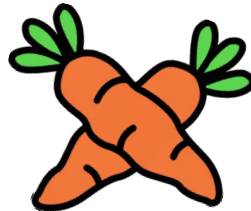
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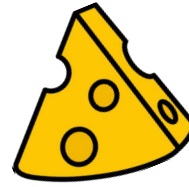
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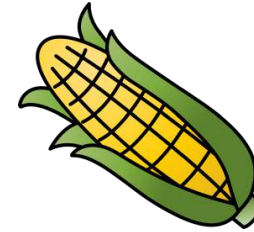
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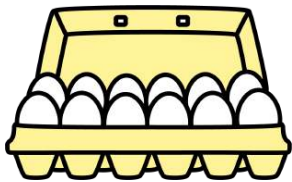
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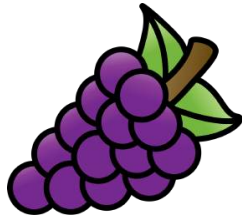
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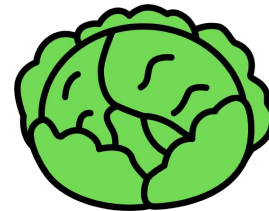
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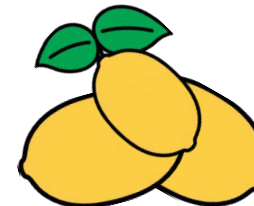
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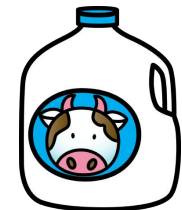
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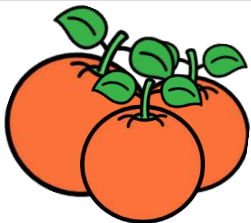
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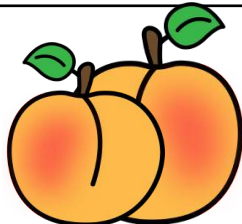
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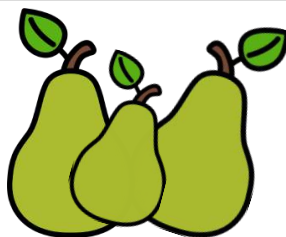
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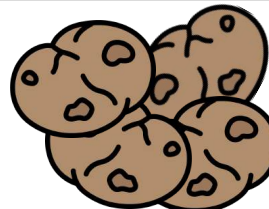
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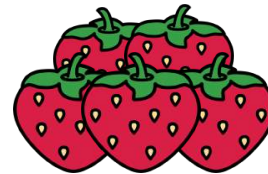
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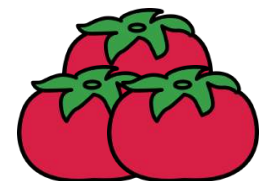
pears



potatoes



strawberries



tomatoes

Encourage language skills by saying these words as you point to the pictures and use the props in the play area.



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Betsy
Visits a



Farmer's Market



One morning, Betsy's grandma decided she wanted to make homemade soup, so Betsy went to the farmer's market to get fresh vegetables. |



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A farmer's market is where local farmers sell their produce directly to shoppers, so Betsy knew she would find fresh veggies.



At the first farmer's table, Betsy chose the vegetables for Grandma's soup. She decided on carrots and zucchini.



At the next table, Betsy saw honey. The beekeeper had beehives on her farm where the honey is made.



After the beekeeper's table, Betsy went to the dairy farmer's table. She was selling fresh butter.



There was also fresh cheese for sale.



Finally, at the last table, Betsy saw her favorite food, berries!



Betsy had such a fun time at the farmer's market. She took the fresh food to her grandma's house and couldn't wait to have soup later that day. **9**

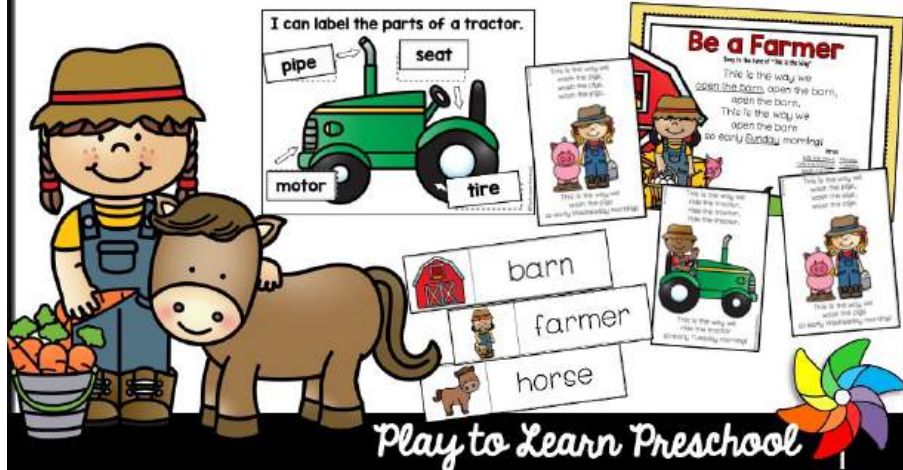
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