

# NOTES TO THE TEACHER:

**Creative Thinker Tools** help foster **RELATIONSHIPS** and **HIGHER ORDER THINKING**.

## Suggested Use:

Interactive Notebook  
Hall Display  
Creative Thinking Center

Classroom Decor  
Anchor Charts  
Affirming Activities

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“I Am/Can/Have” Creative Thinker Tools:

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# PERSEVERENCE

## I CAN FAIL

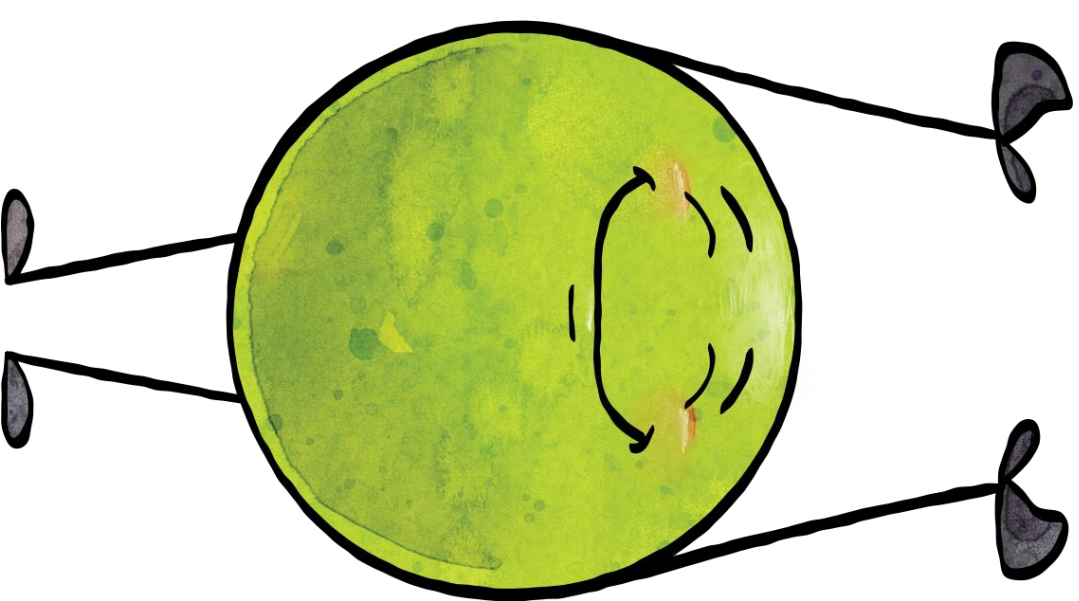
When something is difficult,

I **do not** give up. I **learn**

**through my mistakes** to

accomplish my goals. I **keep**

**going** until the task is done.



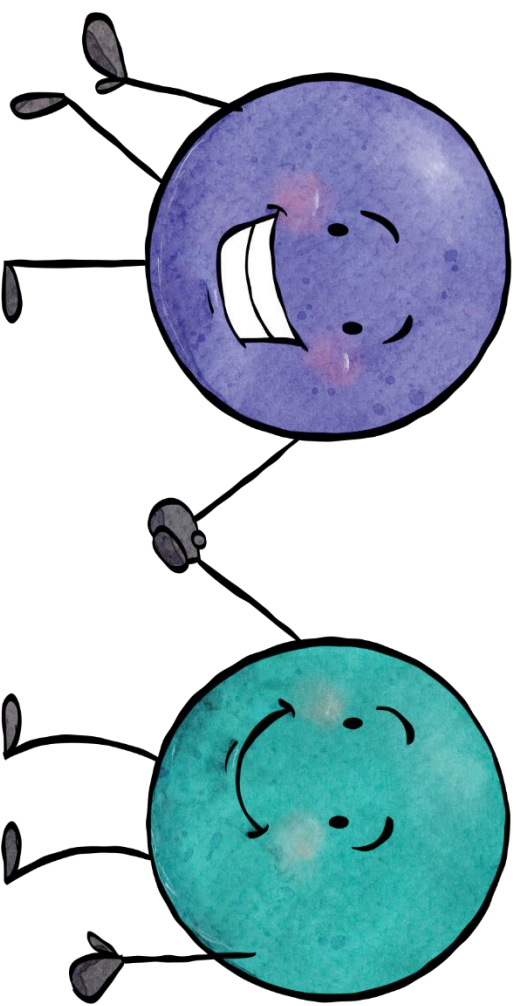
# COLLABORATION I AM A TEAM PLAYER

I can work with others on a **shared**

**project**. Our team **respects** everyone.

We all **plan and help**

**each other** until the  
groups' work is done.



# COOPERATION

## I CAN SHARE

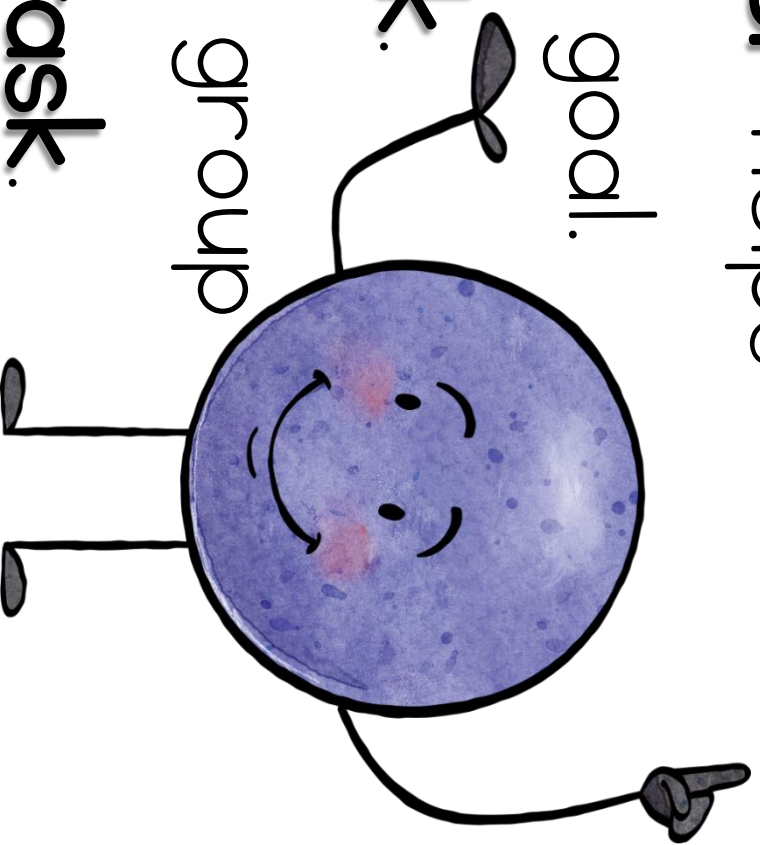
I know **working together** helps

everyone with the same goal.

We all **do our own work.**

I can join in or leave the group

as **I work on my own task.**



# HONESTY

## I AM TRUTHFUL

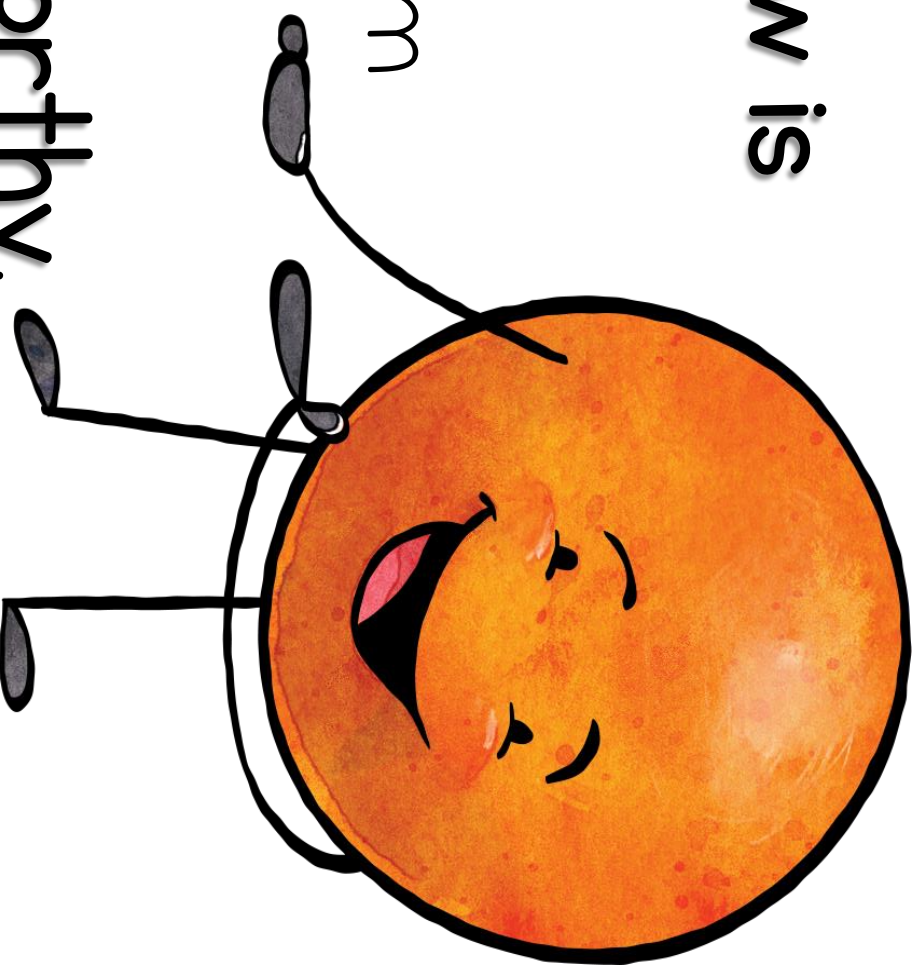
I act in a way I know is

right. I do not hide

mistakes. I **admit** them

even if I may be in

trouble. I am **trustworthy**.





# QUESTION

## I CAN INQUIRE

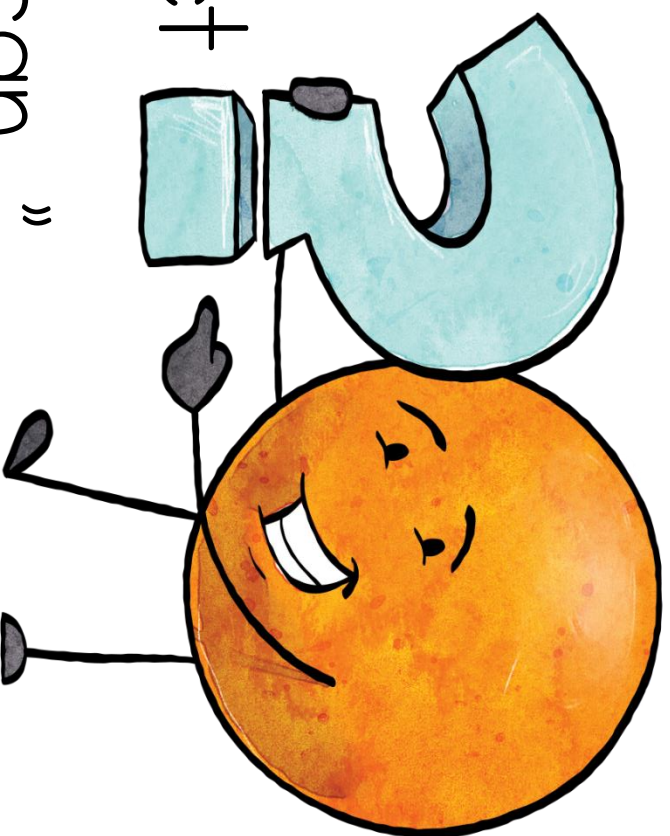
It is important for me to ask

**open-ended questions.**

Questions lead me think

more deeply and connect

ideas. “What if...” “How can...”



# COURAGEOUS I CAN DO HARD THINGS

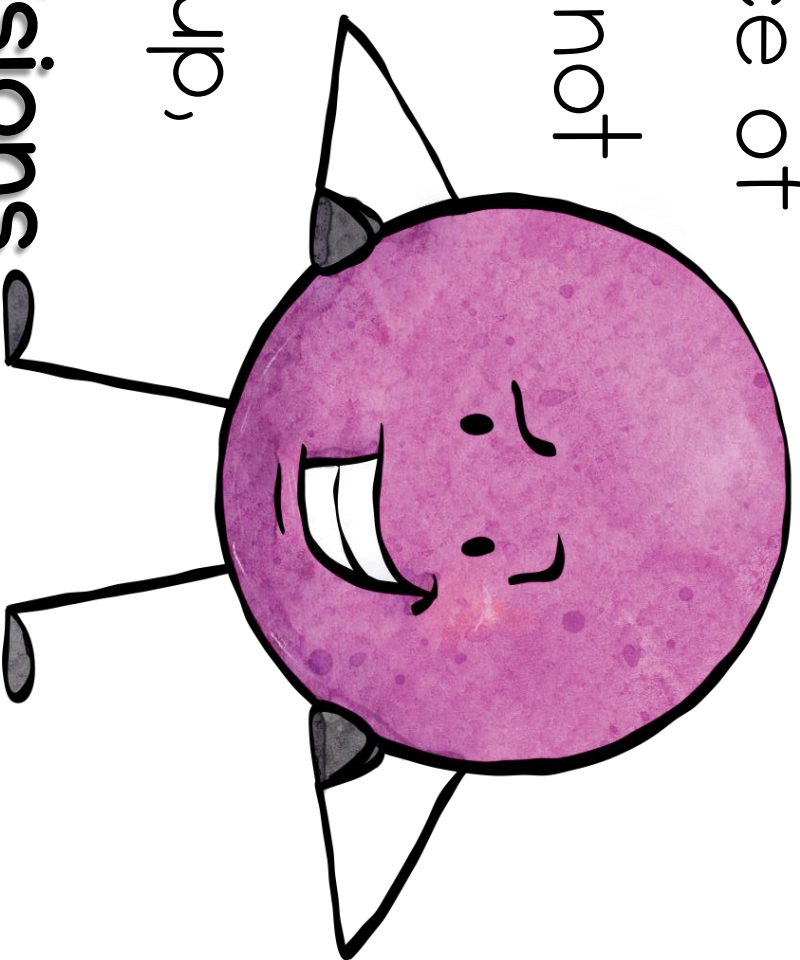
I am brave in the face of

fear. Self-doubt does not

stop me from trying

new things, speaking up,

or making tough decisions.



# CURIOSITY

## I CAN LEARN MORE

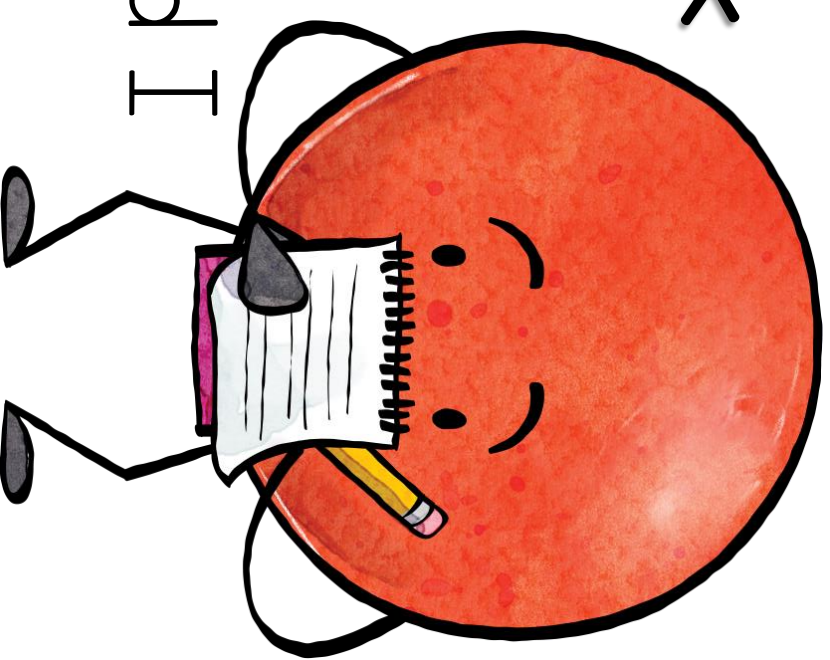
I **observe**, **discover** and **ask**

**questions**. I take time to

figure things out. I do not

fear what I do not know and I

step outside my comfort zone.





# MINDFULNESS

## I CAN FOCUS

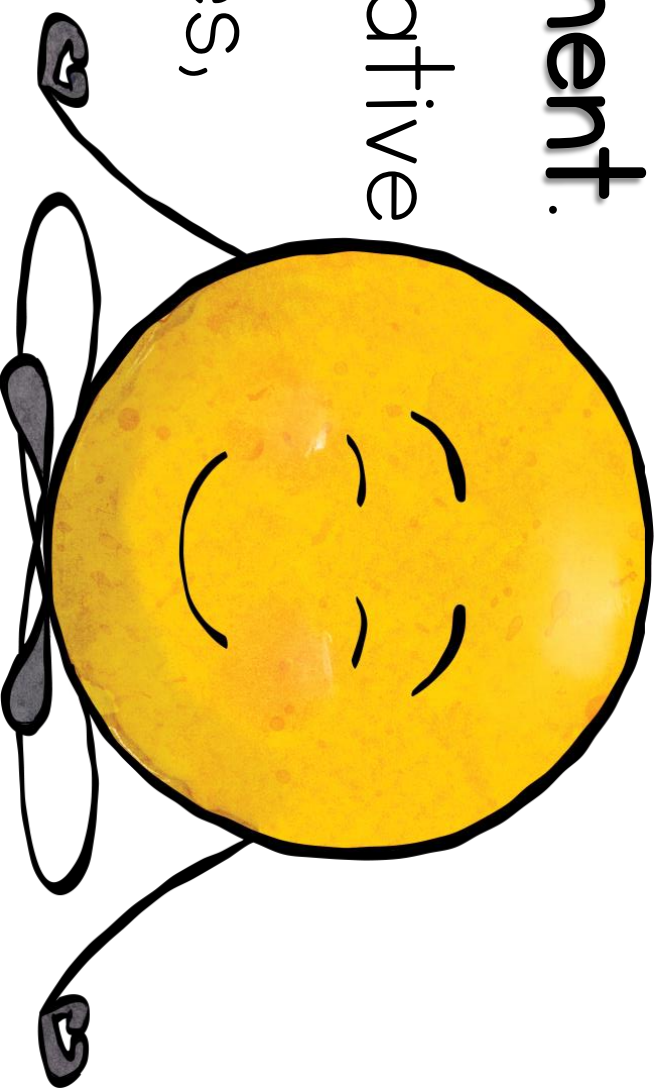
I feel calm and at peace as

I **work in the moment.**

I acknowledge negative

thoughts or worries,

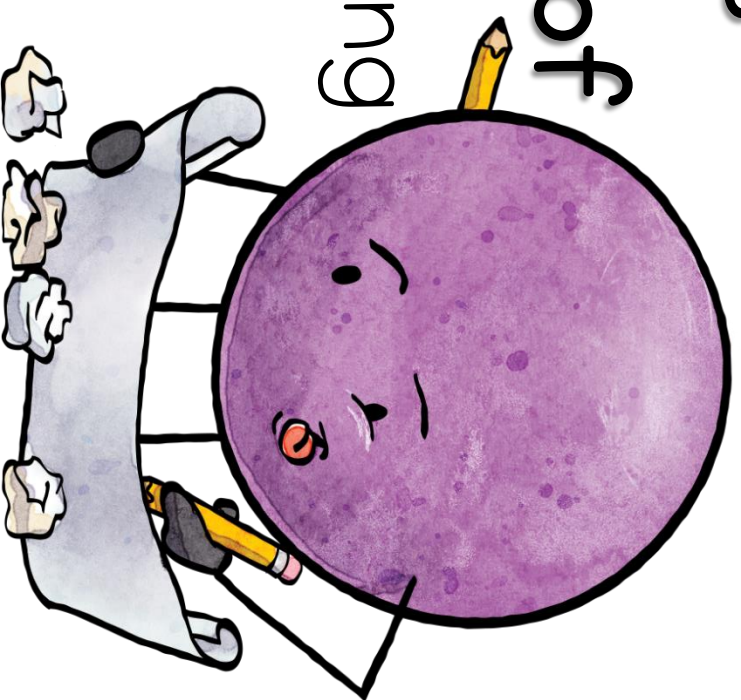
and **let them go.**



# ORIGINALITY

## I AM UNIQUE

I find solutions **no one has before**. I brainstorm **lots of ideas** and take time choosing the best one. I go against rules to find a new path.



# CREATIVITY

## I CAN IMAGINE

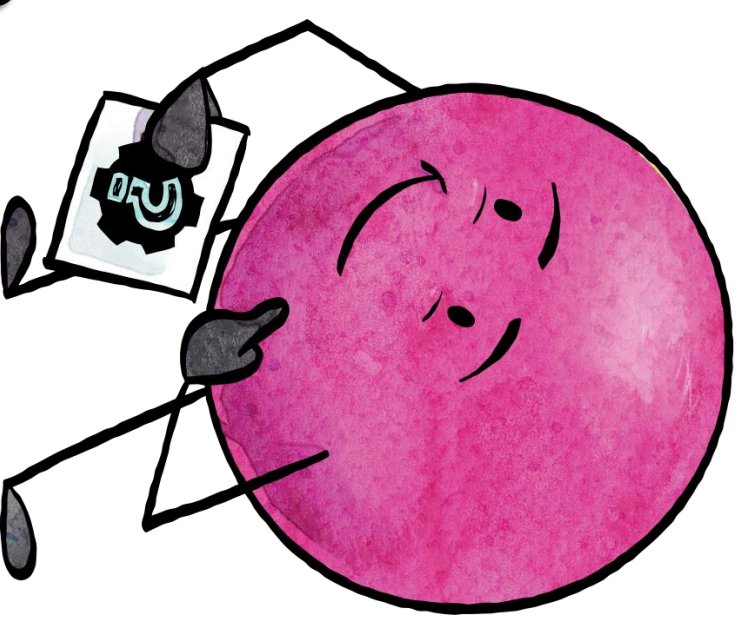
I value ideas and explore

options to problem solve. I

look at things differently. I

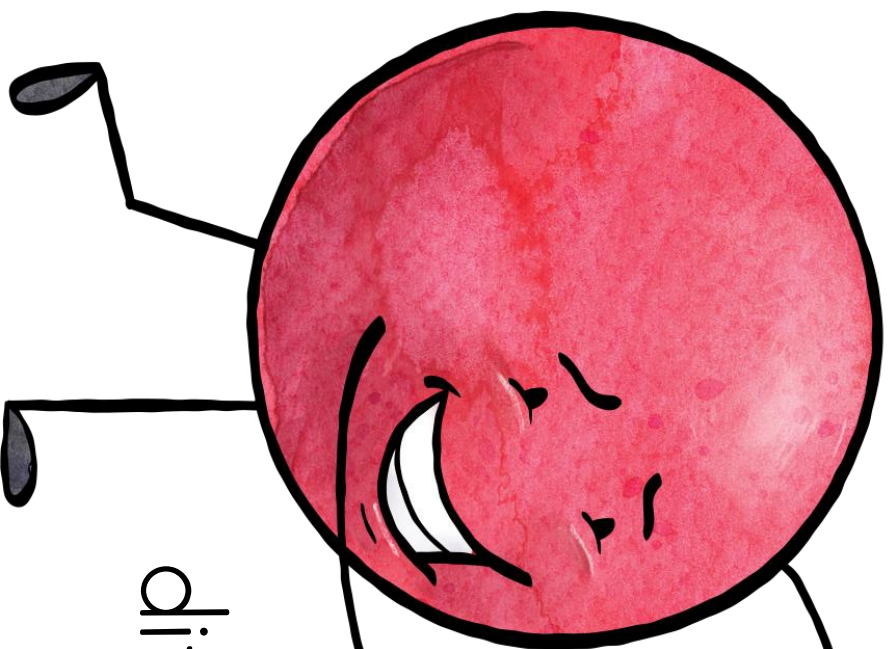
connect ideas to make new

things. I do not fear failure.



# FLEXIBILITY

## I AM OPEN TO CHANGE



I can **adapt** my thinking. I

look at things from new

**points of view.** I think of

different, sometimes opposite

ideas, **at the same time.**



# FLUENCY

I HAVE LOTS OF IDEAS

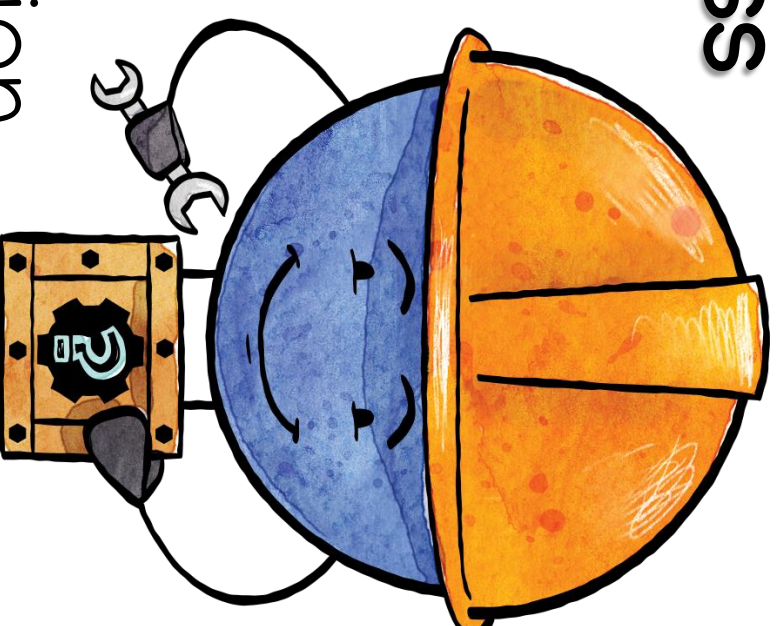
My stream of consciousness

flows as I brainstorm ideas.

One idea leads to another.

The more ideas I have, the

more likely I can find a solution.



# ELABORATION

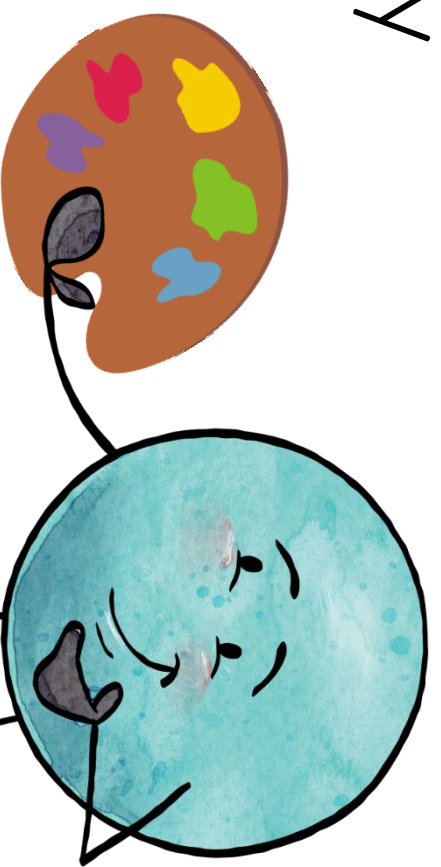
## I CAN ADD DETAILS

To complete my idea, I **add**

**details.** I can explain my

thinking when I develop

it further. I add **visual**



details to make it **aesthetic.**

# RESPONSIBILITY

## I CAN TAKE CARE

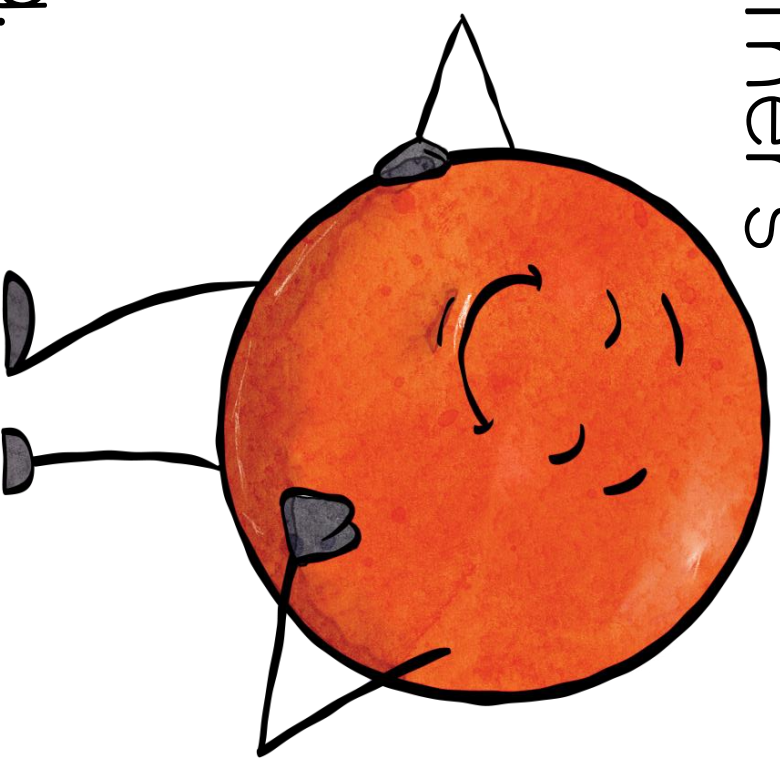
I make **wise choices**. Others

can **count on me** to

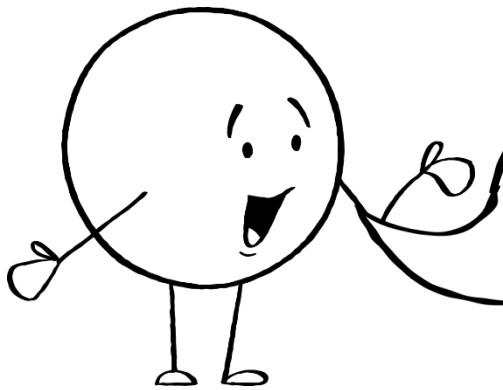
**do what I say I will do.**

I **do the right thing**

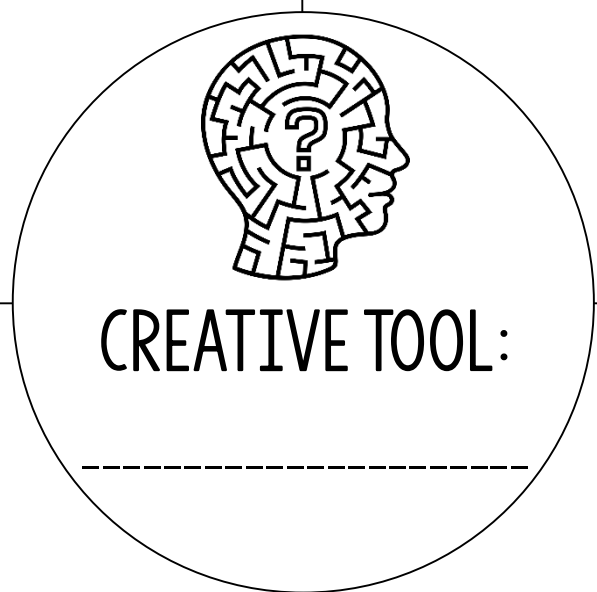
when no one is watching.



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How can I use a  
**THINKER TOOL**  
in my work?

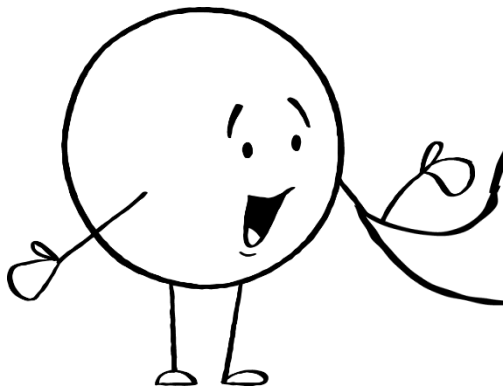



CREATIVE TOOL:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Here's how I use 4  
**THINKER TOOLS**  
in my work.

CREATIVE TOOL:

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CREATIVE TOOL:

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MY WORK:

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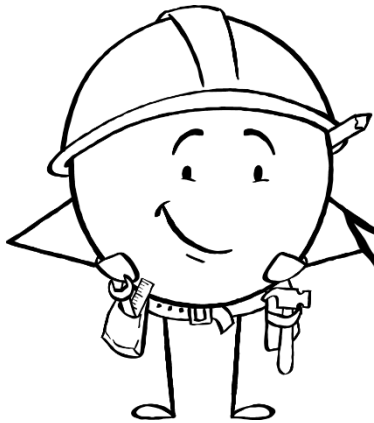
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_



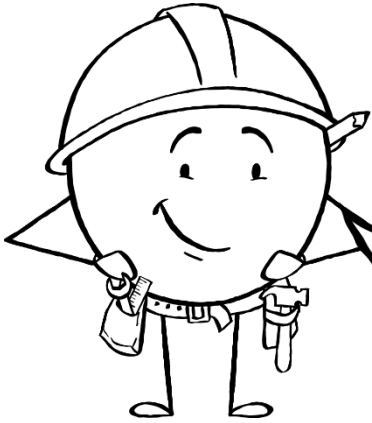
# THINKER TOOLS

Here's how I used my  
toolbelt today!

Creative Thinker Tool: \_\_\_\_\_

Handwriting practice lines consisting of multiple sets of three horizontal lines (top, middle dashed, bottom) for writing.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



**THINKER TOOLS**  
Here's how I used my  
toolbelt today!

Creative Thinker Tool: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Design a Toy USING BLOCKS

**A Creative Thinking Activity**  
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## Finish the Picture FALL

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## Finish the Picture SPRING

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## Geometry ODD-one-OUT

**A Creative Thinking Strategy**  
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## Counting Money with PATTERN BLOCKS

LEVELED TASK CARDS!

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## Cube Puzzlers DEDUCTIVE REASONING

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## Where in the World WRITING PROMPT CLUES

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