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THIS PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Custom sermon note pages for kids to enjoy during the service
- Colouring / Activity pages
- Devotionals with discussion guide and activities designed to create conversation around this week's Big Idea
- Memory verse cards



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Have you ever been surprised? Think of a time when you were surprised and write down the feelings you had when it happened.

Let me tell you of a few times I was surprised. I used to think that chocolate milk came from brown cows! Unbelievable, right?! Imagine the shock I felt when I found out that wasn't true. Then there was the time my family planned a birthday party for me that I knew nothing about. When I stepped into my house to a crowd of people yelling, "Happy birthday!" and decorations everywhere, I was absolutely gob-smacked! That was quite a surprise! And one time, at a big important football game, my team was losing badly when, with seconds left to play on the clock, a rookie intercepted the ball and ran it for a touchdown that won the game! Everyone in the stands that day was completely surprised by that turn of events.

I love a good surprise, one that comes out of nowhere and really provides an awesome shock ... in a good way of course! Today's story has an amazing surprise. Grab your bible and read Luke 23:50-24:12.

Read Luke 24:2-7 again. Can you imagine being one of those women? They hardly slept at all the night before because they were so sad about Jesus' death and they were so anxious to get His body taken care of for a proper burial. So they get up at the crack of dawn and head to the tomb to gently and tenderly care for Jesus' body. But when they get there, the body is gone and two men in dazzling white, who scare the daylights out of them, tell them not to look for a living person in a cemetery. Wham bam bingo! Biggest. Surprise. Ever. Now that's an amazing, earth shattering, super awesome moment!

These women are probably thinking, "Jesus is alive? Everything He said to us while He was alive is true? He beat death? How did He do that?".

Have you ever thought something was over, finished, done, like I did at the game that I mentioned? That something you enjoyed doing has come to a sad, pitiful end? That you're at the end of your rope trying to learn that new concept in math class? That the bad guys always win and the good guys don't? That's how Jesus' disciples felt at His death. They thought it was all finished, over, done with. They had seen Jesus' dead body with their own eyes and well, everyone knows a dead body means a dead body, no life, game over.

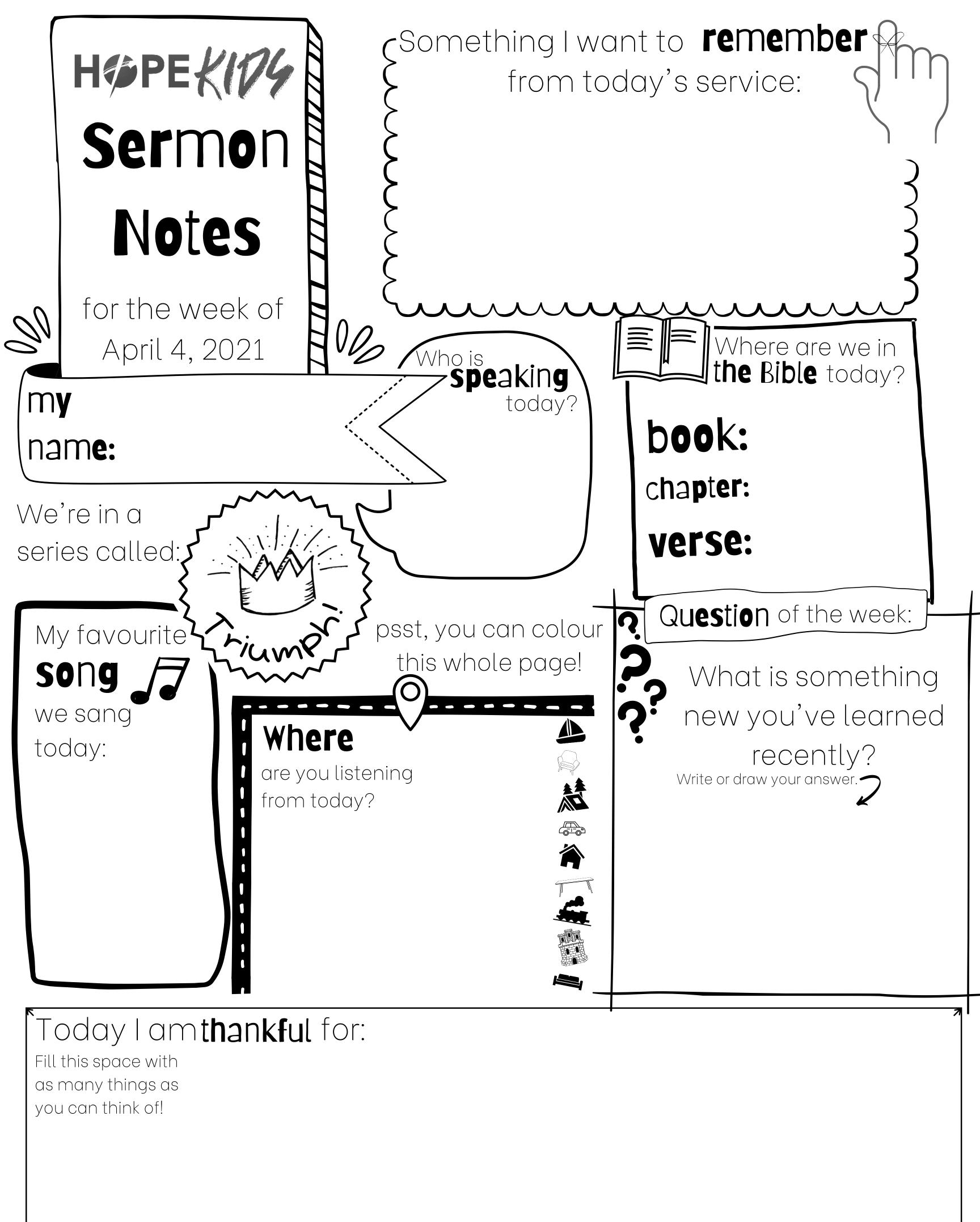
And then three days later, this amazing surprise happens and leaves everyone in utter shock, with their jaws dropped and their eyes wide open! Jesus is alive and guess what, friends? IT ISNT OVER!



This is the most important event in the world – the resurrection (or coming to life) of Jesus. Because His life wasn't over, because He conquered death, because He had the power to return from the grave, everybody on planet earth gets another chance because IT ISN'T OVER.

If you think you've done something to make God mad or to disqualify you from His blessings or to not allow you to come to church, think again. Jesus died AND rose again so everyone could have a fresh start and another chance, every day of our lives.

YAY JESUS!

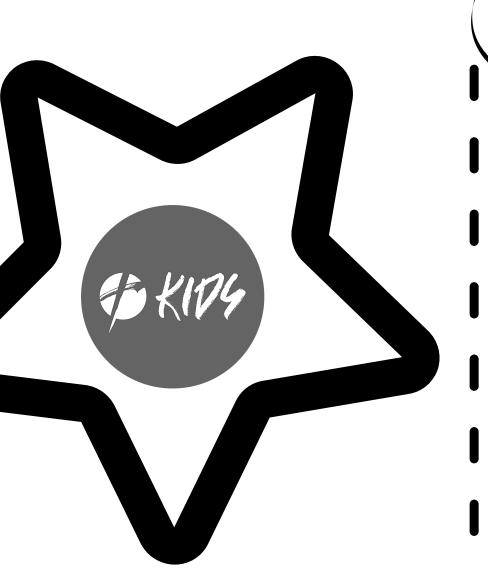


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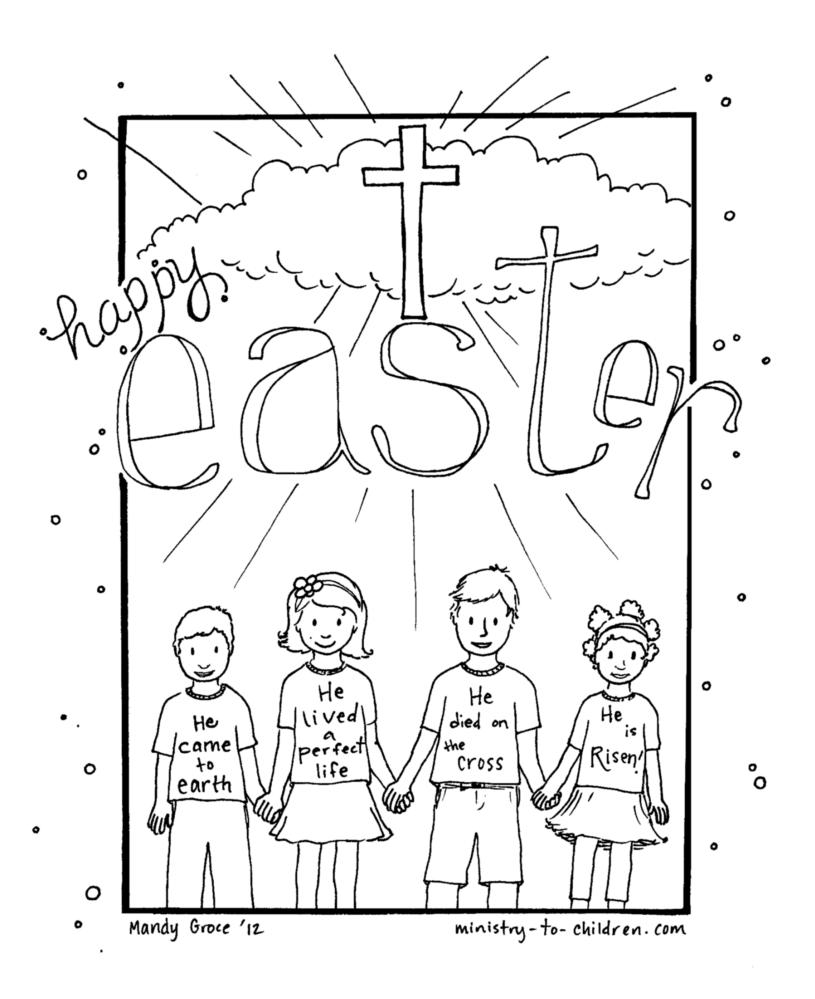
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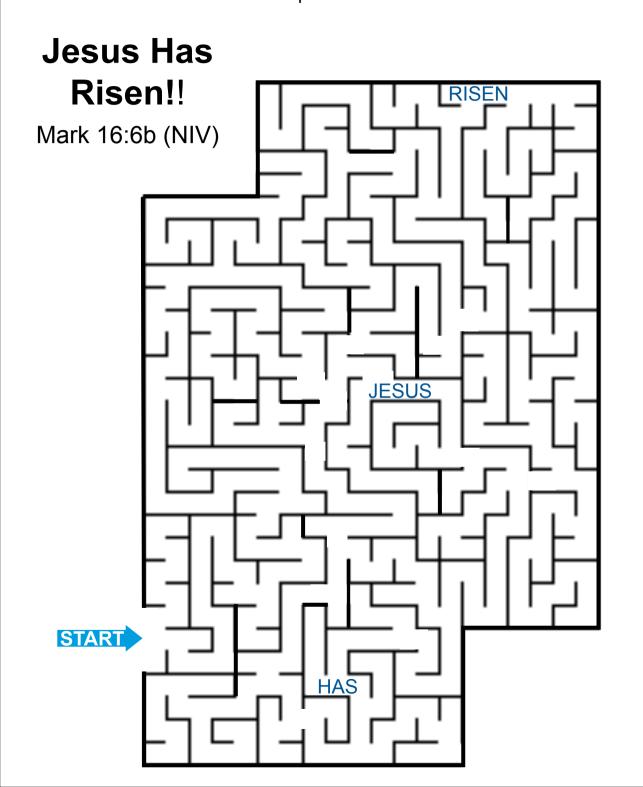
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life hope resurrection



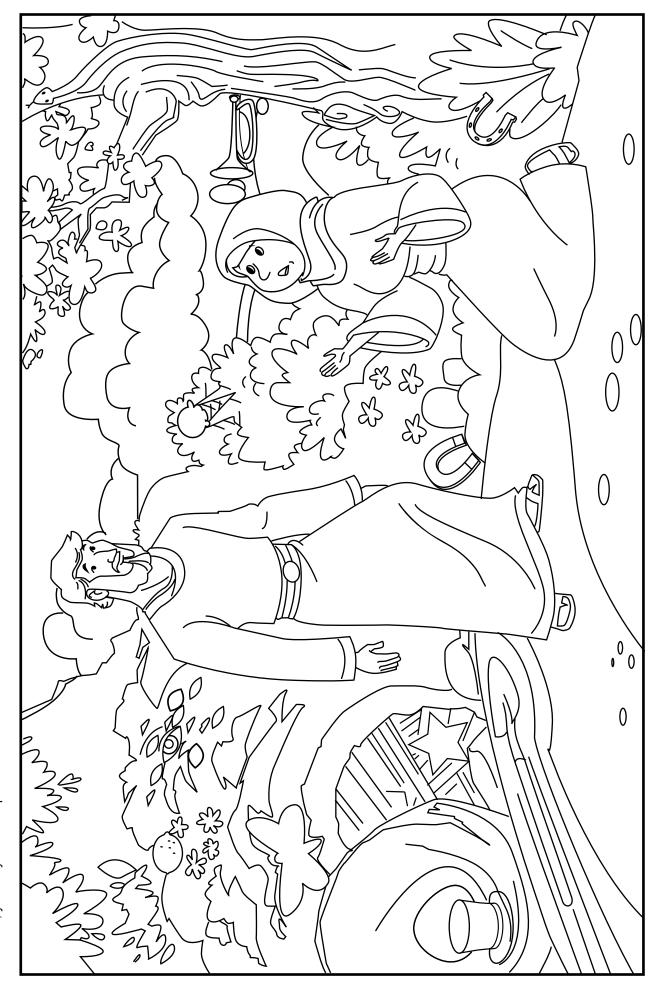
Jesus Has Risen Word Maze

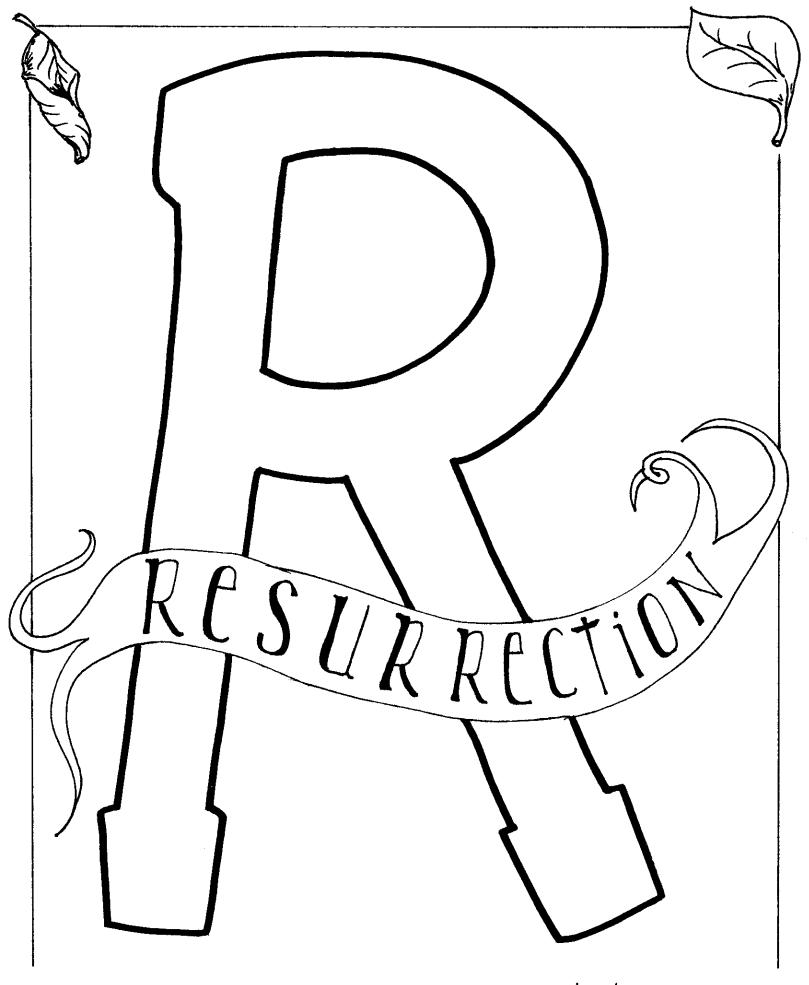
Find your way from the start of the maze and connect the words from the answer phrase in their correct order.



Jesus Is Alive! Hidden Pictures

Find each of these items hidden in the picture: snake, magnet, horseshoe, lemon, shovel, ice cream cone, hat, star, eye, butterfly, and a bugle. When you find all the items, you may color the picture.





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