

# Classifying things

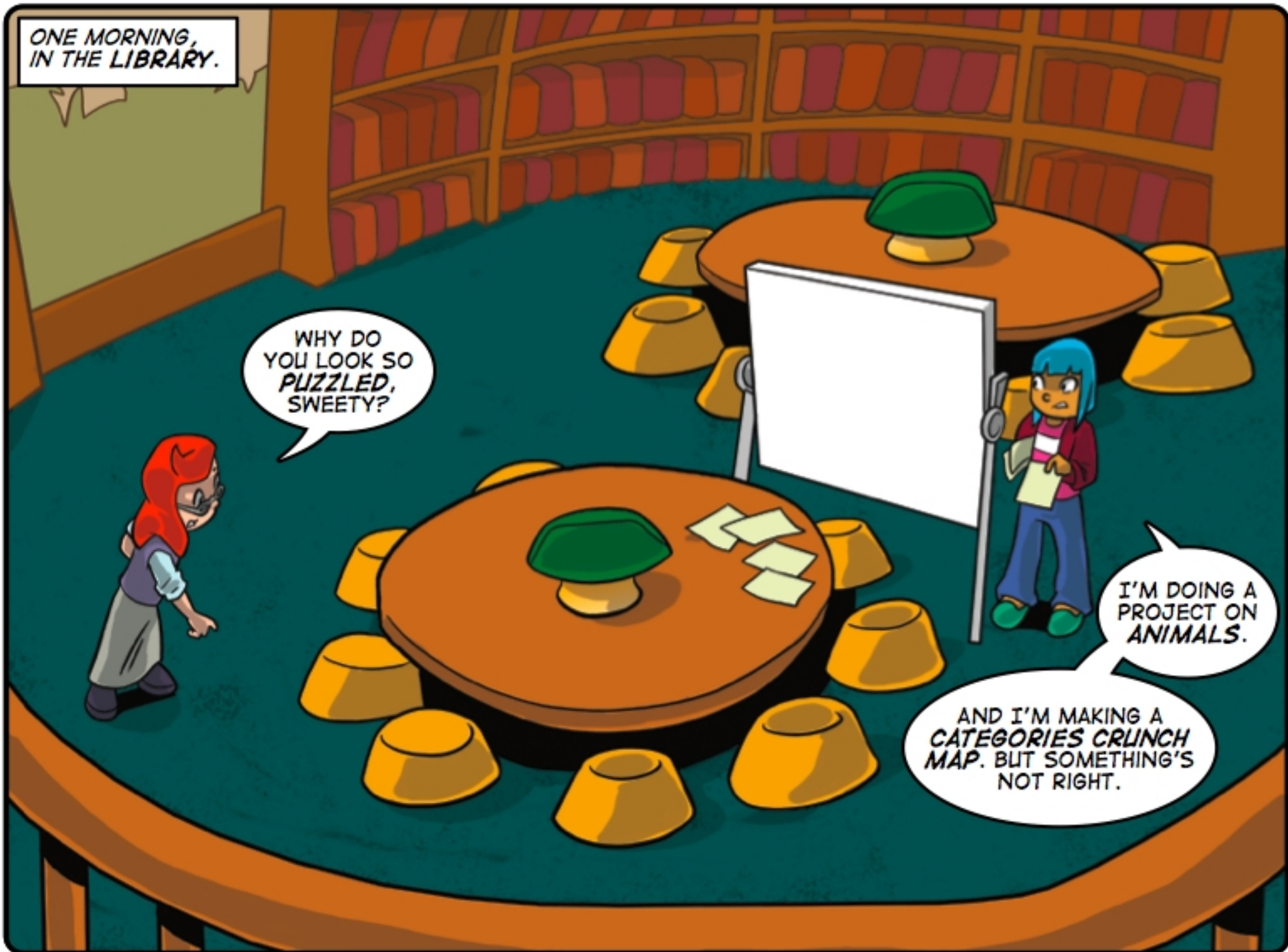


ONE MORNING,  
IN THE LIBRARY.

WHY DO  
YOU LOOK SO  
**PUZZLED**,  
SWEETY?

I'M DOING A  
PROJECT ON  
**ANIMALS**.

AND I'M MAKING A  
**CATEGORIES CRUNCH**  
**MAP**. BUT SOMETHING'S  
NOT RIGHT.



# ANIMALS



I THINK I  
SEE THE PROBLEM.  
YOU'RE **GROUPING**  
ANIMALS ACCORDING  
TO **COLOUR**.

WHAT'S  
WRONG WITH  
THAT?



GOOD THINKERS USE CATEGORIES  
CRUNCH MAPS TO GROUP **SIMILAR**  
TYPES OF THINGS TOGETHER.



COLOUR  
IS A USEFUL  
FEATURE IF YOU  
WANT TO DRAW A  
PICTURE.

BUT IT  
DOESN'T HELP  
YOU TO **GROUP**  
**SIMILAR TYPES**  
OF ANIMALS  
TOGETHER.

APART  
FROM COLOUR,  
ELEPHANTS AND  
MOSQUITOS DON'T  
HAVE MUCH IN  
COMMON.

SO, TO  
**CLASSIFY**  
THINGS, YOU PUT  
**SIMILAR THINGS**  
TOGETHER.



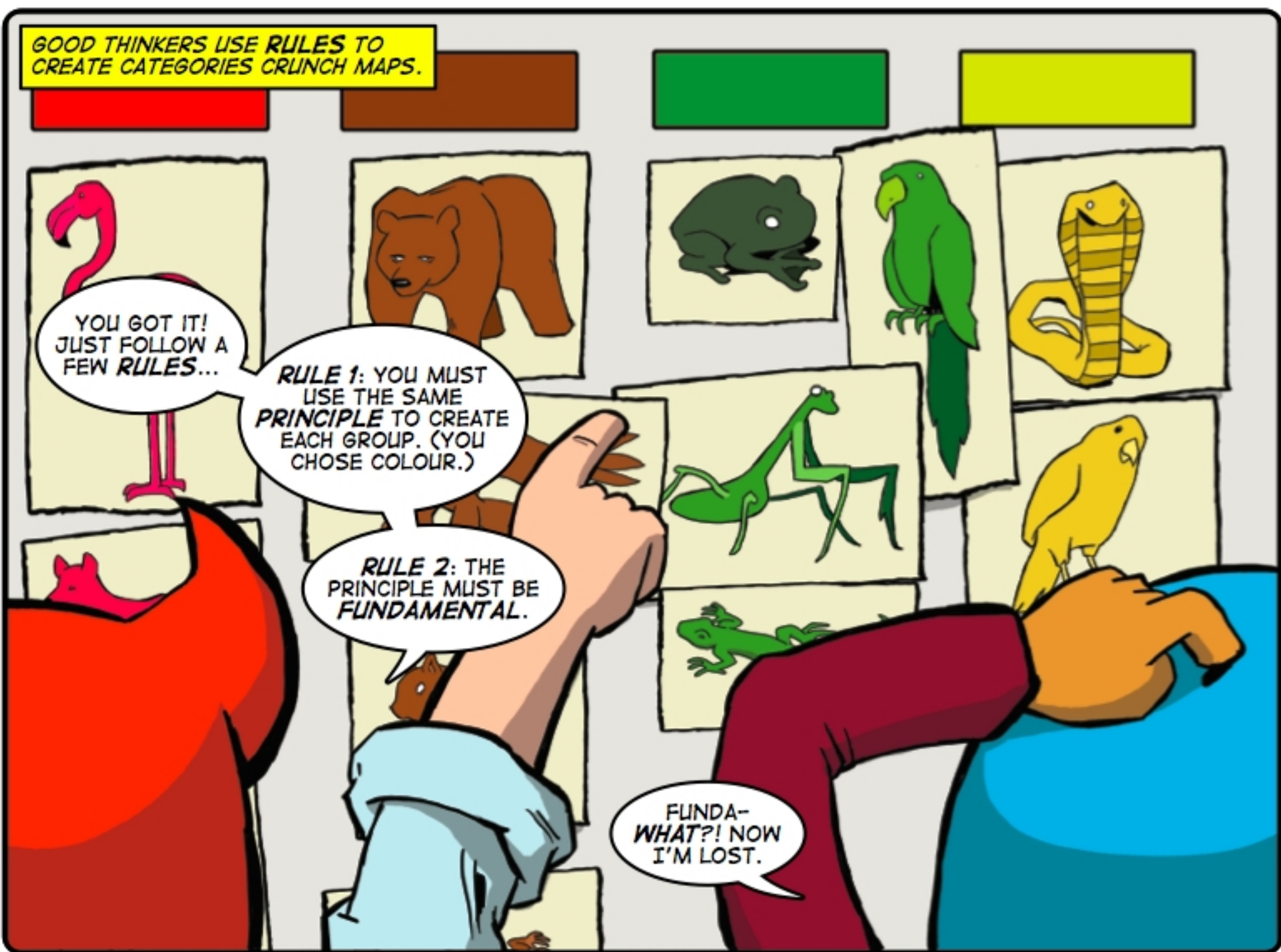
GOOD THINKERS USE **RULES** TO  
CREATE CATEGORIES CRUNCH MAPS.

YOU GOT IT!  
JUST FOLLOW A  
FEW **RULES**...

**RULE 1:** YOU MUST  
USE THE SAME  
**PRINCIPLE** TO CREATE  
EACH GROUP. (YOU  
CHOSE COLOUR.)

**RULE 2:** THE  
PRINCIPLE MUST BE  
**FUNDAMENTAL**.

FUNDA-  
**WHAT?!** NOW  
I'M LOST.



GOOD THINKERS LOOK FOR  
**FUNDAMENTAL FEATURES** THAT  
EXPLAIN THE NATURE OF THINGS.

COLOUR IS NOT A  
**FUNDAMENTAL**  
FEATURE OF  
ANIMALS.

COLOUR DOESN'T  
TELL YOU ABOUT AN  
ANIMAL'S **NATURE**.

COLOUR  
DOESN'T TELL  
YOU HOW AN  
ANIMAL **ACTS**, OR  
WHAT IT EATS OR  
ANYTHING  
**IMPORTANT**.

**CARS** CAN BE  
GREEN, BUT  
YOU WOULDN'T  
PUT ONE IN  
YOUR "GREEN"  
CATEGORY.

SO A  
**FUNDAMENTAL**  
FEATURE IS ONE  
THAT TELLS YOU  
SOMETHING SPECIAL  
ABOUT A THING'S  
**NATURE**.





**GOOD THINKERS CHOOSE  
CATEGORIES OR GROUPS  
THAT DO NOT OVERLAP.**

**RULE 3:  
GROUPS  
SHOULD NOT  
OVERLAP.**

IN A GOOD  
CLASSIFICATION,  
YOU SHOULD NOT  
BE ABLE TO PUT  
THE SAME THING  
INTO TWO  
**DIFFERENT  
GROUPS.**

BIRDS CAN BE  
**ANY COLOUR.**  
SO CAN MANY  
OTHER ANIMALS.

IN A BETTER  
CLASSIFICATION  
SNAKES AND BIRDS  
AND BEARS WOULD  
EACH HAVE THEIR  
**OWN GROUPS.**



GOOD CATEGORIES CRUNCH MAPS HELP US TO LEARN ABOUT THE **SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES** BETWEEN THINGS.

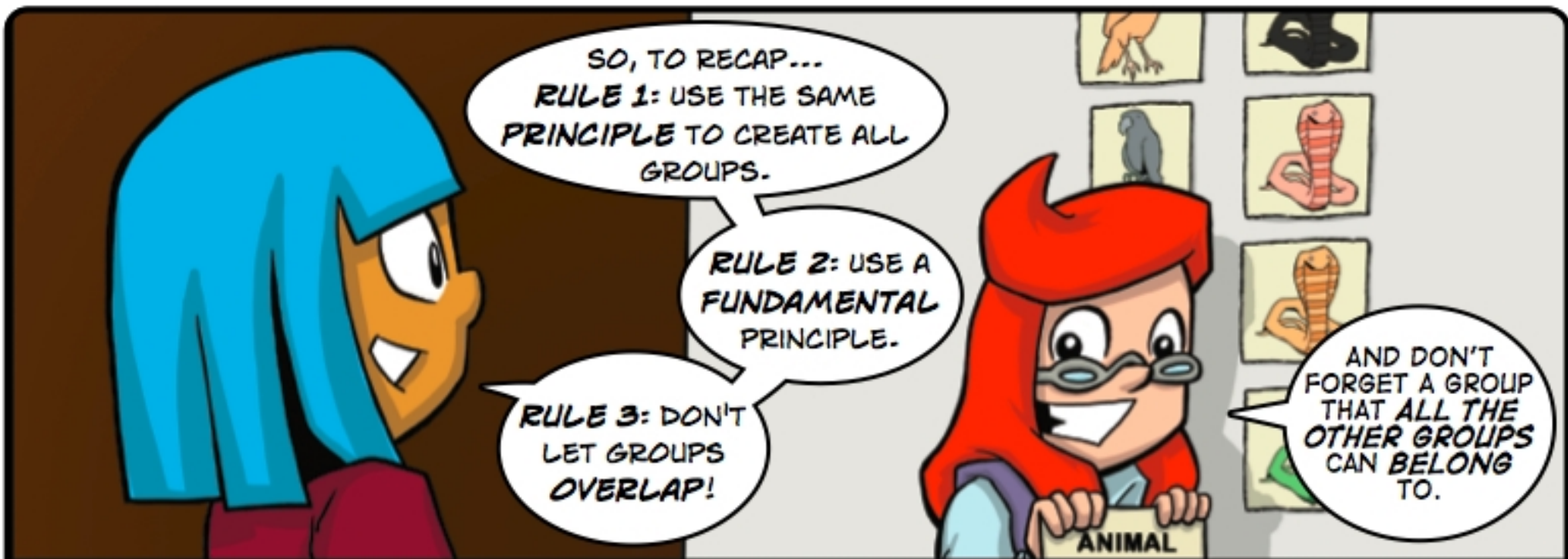
WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO **SEPARATE CATEGORIES** LIKE THAT?

'COS **SIMILAR THINGS** HAVE **SIMILAR FEATURES**. WHEN WE GROUP THEM TOGETHER, IT'S EASIER TO LEARN ABOUT THEM.

WHAT WE LEARN ABOUT **COBRAS** WILL PROBABLY **HELP US LEARN** ABOUT **OTHER SNAKES** TOO.







# FISH

# MAMMALS

# INSECTS

# BIRDS

# REPTILES

# AMPHIBIAN



THOSE ARE ALL THE RULES. AND YOU CAN KEEP USING THEM TO MAKE MORE AND MORE **SPECIFIC** CATEGORIES CRUNCH MAPS.



YOU MEAN LIKE A WHOLE CATEGORIES CRUNCH MAP FOR **BIRDS**? COOL!



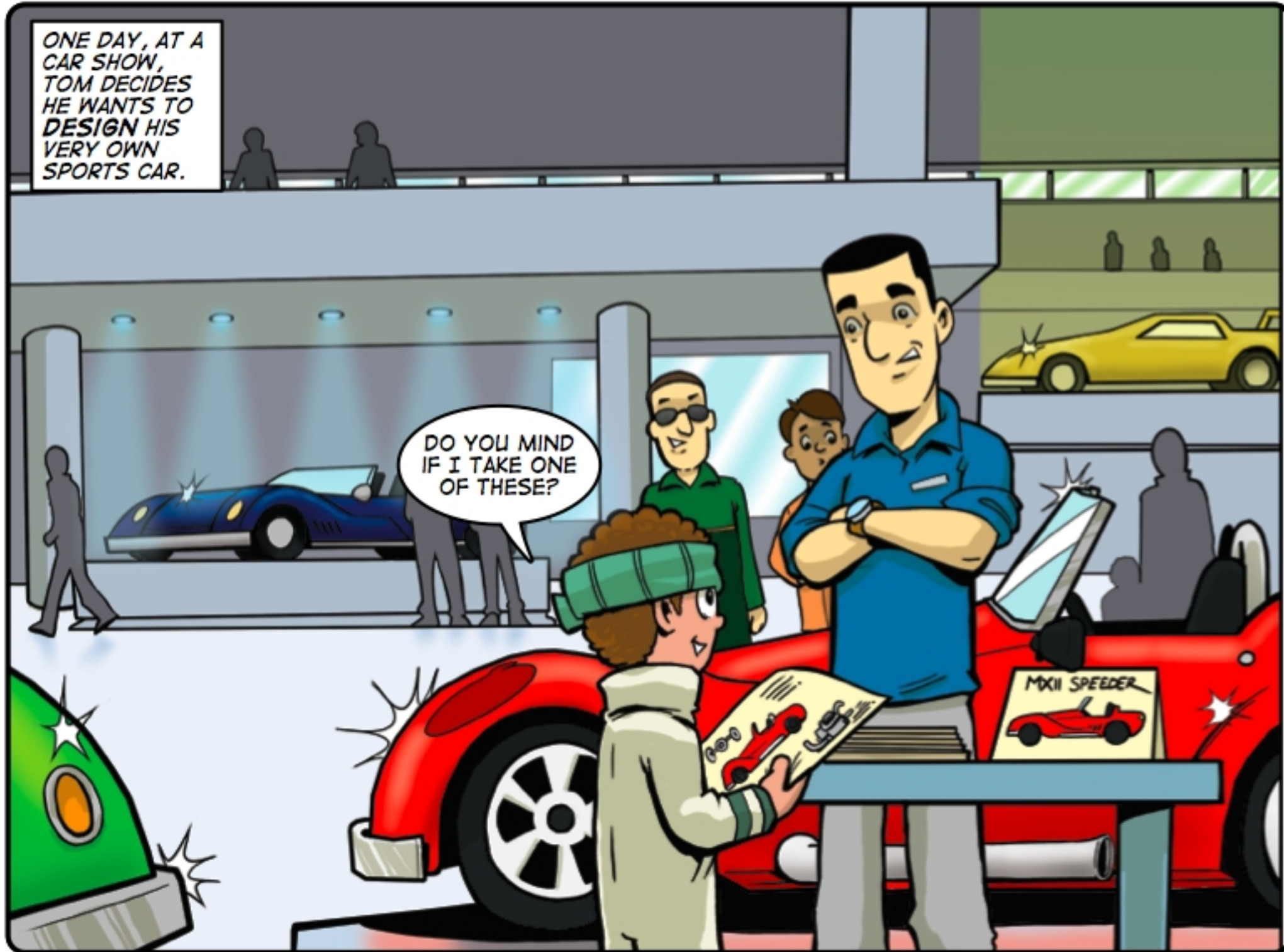


# Concept Mapping



ONE DAY, AT A  
CAR SHOW,  
TOM DECIDES  
HE WANTS TO  
**DESIGN** HIS  
VERY OWN  
SPORTS CAR.

DO YOU MIND  
IF I TAKE ONE  
OF THESE?





LATER, IN FRONT OF THE DRAWING BOARD.

TOM STARTS BUILDING A CONCEPT MAP  
TO CAPTURE WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT CARS.

HE BEGINS BY WRITING A FOCUS QUESTION.

WHAT DO I KNOW ABOUT CARS?



THEN HE WRITES DOWN EVERYTHING THAT  
COMES TO MIND WHEN HE THINKS ABOUT CARS.

## WHAT DO I KNOW ABOUT CARS?

WHEELS	WINDOWS	BUMPERS	SHOCK ABSORBERS	BRAKES	
FUEL	ELECTRICITY	POLLUTION	BONNET	GEARBOX	
OIL	TRANSPORT	MAGS	LIGHTS	TRAFFIC JAMS	SPEED
HUB CAPS	STEERING WHEEL	DASHBOARD	CARPETS	CLUTCH	AXLE
ACCIDENTS	SEATS		DOORS	ENGINE	RADIATOR





NEXT, HE GROUPS  
TOGETHER IDEAS THAT ARE  
RELATED TO EACH OTHER.

## WHAT DO I KNOW ABOUT CARS?

STEERING  
WHEEL

WINDOWS

BUMPERS

SHOCK  
ABSORBERS

FUEL

ELECTRICITY

AXLE

BONNET

POLLUTION

TRANSPORT

MAGS

BRAKES

HUB CAPS

WHEELS

DASHBOARD

GEARBOX

ACCIDENTS

SEATS

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DOORS

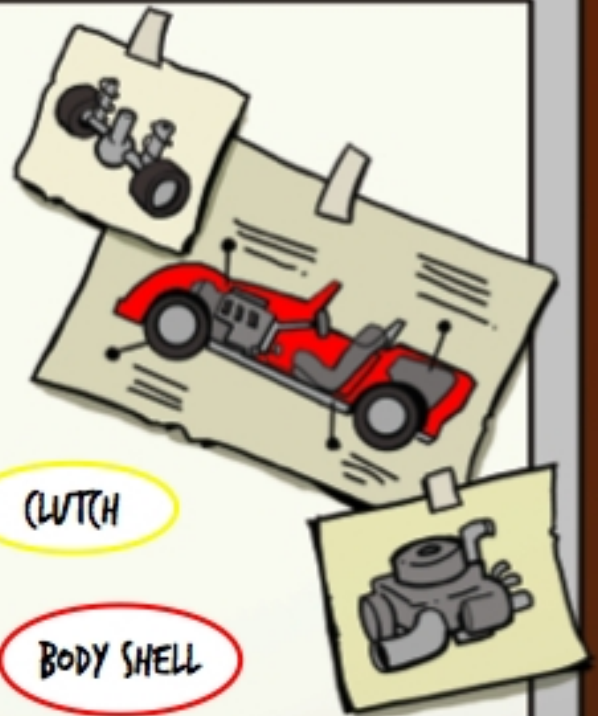
ENGINE

OIL

CARPETS

SPEED

TRAFFIC JAMS



CLUTCH

BODY SHELL



NEXT, TOM CREATES HEADINGS  
THAT DESCRIBE EACH GROUP  
OF OBJECTS AND IDEAS.

FUEL

ELECTRICITY

BUMPERS

SHOCK  
ABSORBERS

AXLE

BONNET

CLUTCH

POLLUTION

HUB CAPS

ACCIDENTS

BODY SHELL

ENGINE

TRAFFIC JAMS

THINGS RELATED  
TO CARS

TRIM

THINGS THE  
ENGINE NEEDS

MECHANICAL  
PARTS

BODY WORK





STEERING  
NEXT, TOM THINKS OF LINKING WORDS  
THAT LINK CARS TO THE IDEAS AND  
OBJECTS HE HAS WRITTEN ON THE BOARD.

FUEL

ELECTRICITY

BUMPERS

SHOCK  
ABSORBERS

AXLE

BONNET

CLUTCH

POLLUTION

HUB CAPS

BODY SHELL

ACCIDENTS

ENGINE

TRAFFIC JAMS

HAVE  
INCLUDE  
PRODUCES  
CAN CAUSE  
PROVIDED  
SHOWS  
CAN BE  
CONTROLS  
SUCH AS

THEN, ON A NEW PAGE, OR A CLEAN BOARD, TOM STARTS BUILDING HIS CONCEPT MAP.

CARS

TRANSPORT ACCIDENTS TRAFFIC JAMS

TRIM

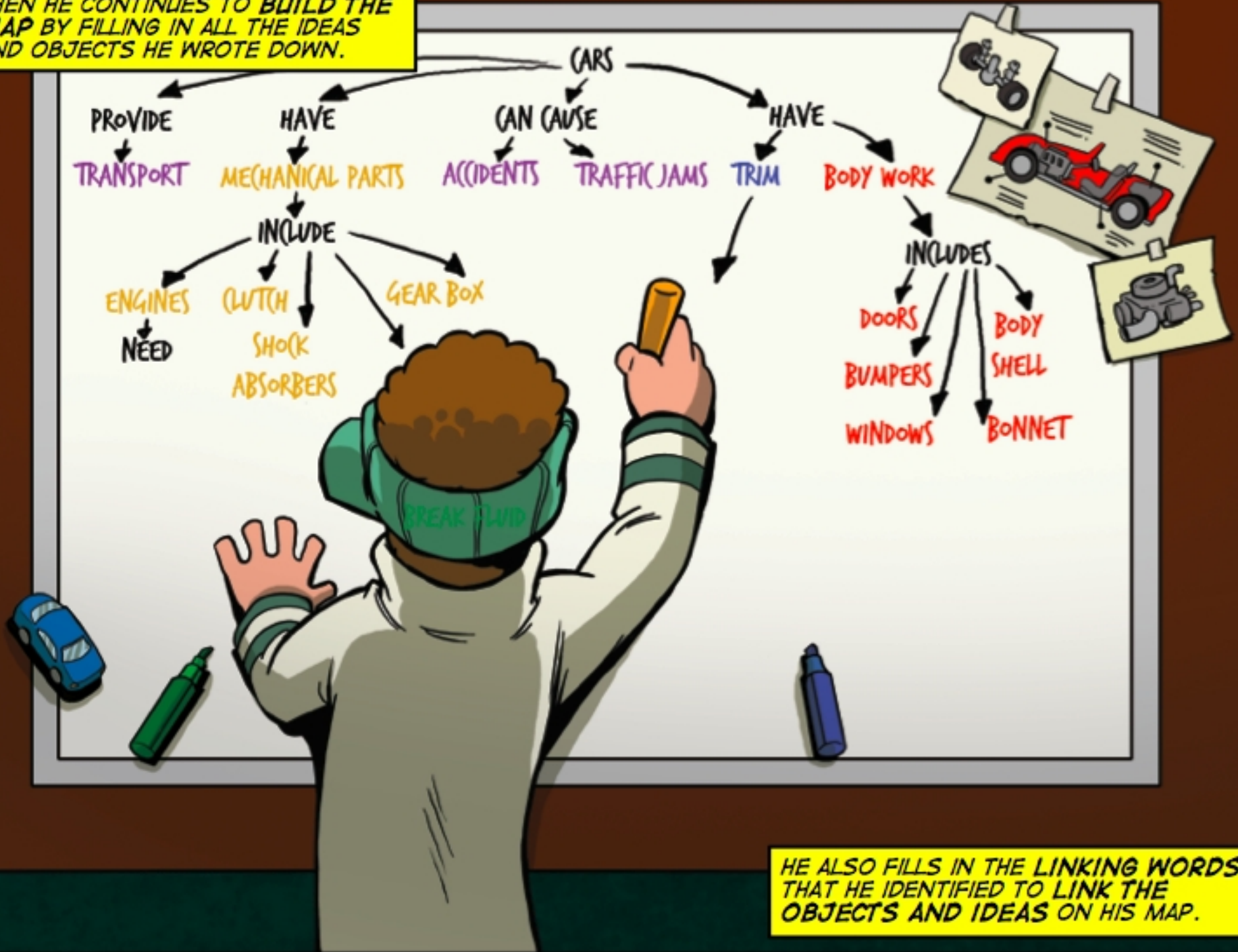
MECHANICAL  
PARTS



HE PUTS THE MOST GENERAL IDEAS AT THE TOP OF THE MAP.

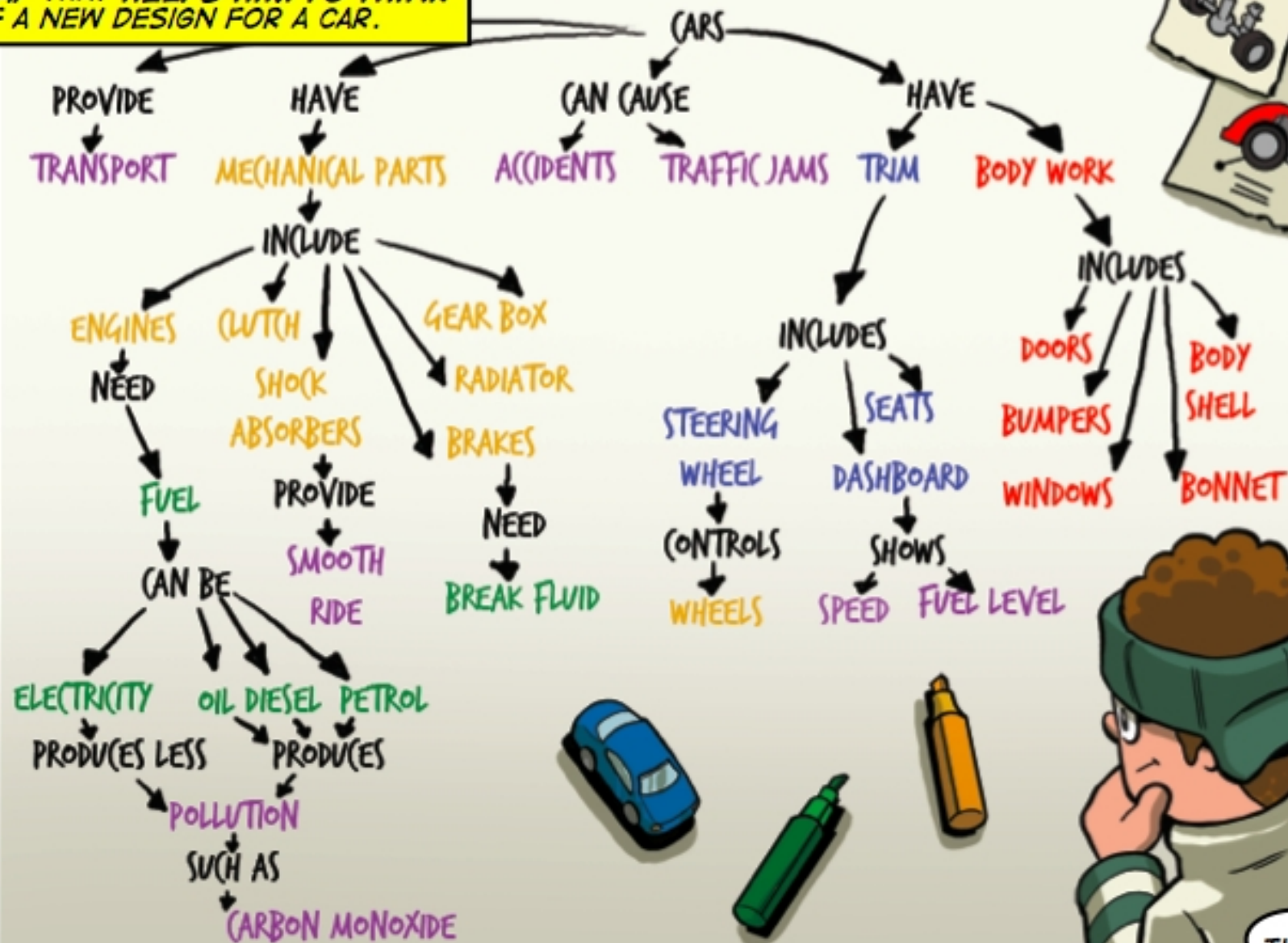


THEN HE CONTINUES TO BUILD THE MAP BY FILLING IN ALL THE IDEAS AND OBJECTS HE WROTE DOWN.



HE ALSO FILLS IN THE LINKING WORDS THAT HE IDENTIFIED TO LINK THE OBJECTS AND IDEAS ON HIS MAP.

IN THE END, HE HAS A CONCEPT MAP THAT HELPS HIM TO THINK OF A NEW DESIGN FOR A CAR.



THAT SETTLES IT.  
I'M BUILDING AN  
ELECTRIC CAR.



# Defining things



IN ENGLISH CLASS, TIA ASKED JOJO TO **DEFINE** SOMETHING THAT HE **ENJOYS**.

I'M SUPPOSED TO WRITE A DEFINITION FOR **GAMES**, BUT I CAN'T USE A DICTIONARY.

DICTIONARIES ARE A GOOD PLACE TO **START**, BUT THEY'RE NOT PERFECT.

SOMETIMES THEY JUST GIVE **SIMILAR WORDS**.

AND THEY DON'T USUALLY DESCRIBE THE **CONTEXT** THAT YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THEM.

OK, THEN HOW ABOUT THIS?

"GAMES ARE **FUN** ACTIVITIES".

THAT'S A BIT VAGUE, DON'T YOU THINK?

**RULE 1:**  
DEFINITIONS SHOULD NOT BE UNCLEAR OR VAGUE.

OK, WHAT ABOUT, "GAMES ARE **AMUSING** ACTIVITIES"?

OH, BOY. THIS COULD TAKE A WHILE.



RULE 2: DEFINITIONS  
SHOULD NOT BE FLOWERY  
OR METAPHORICAL.

HOW ABOUT,  
"A GAME IS *LIKE*  
A *PLAY* WHEREIN  
ACTORS  
PERFORM"?

STOP! YOU  
CAN'T USE THE  
WORD, "LIKE", IN A  
DEFINITION. NO  
*SIMILES* OR  
*METAPHORS*!

RULE 3: DEFINITIONS  
SHOULD AVOID NEGATIVE  
*TERMS* UNLESS  
ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.


OK THEN,  
SHAKESPEARE,  
"A GAME IS *NOT*  
*WORK*".

NOW YOU'RE  
ONTO SOMETHING!  
BUT YOU SHOULD  
AVOID NEGATIVE  
*TERMS*.

TO MAKE A GOOD DEFINITION, THINK  
OF THINGS THAT ARE *SIMILAR* TO  
WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO DEFINE.

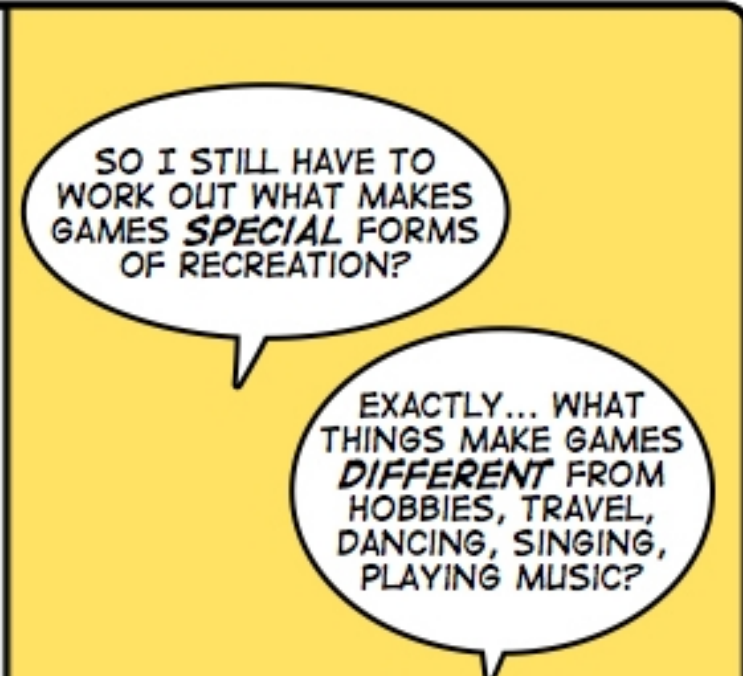
TO HELP  
YOURSELF OUT,  
THINK ABOUT THIS:  
WHAT *OTHER*  
ACTIVITIES ARE  
"NOT WORK"?

BESIDES  
GAMES THERE  
ARE HOBBIES,  
TRAVEL,  
DANCING...



RIGHT! GAMES,  
HOBBIES, TRAVEL,  
DANCING ARE  
ALL FORMS OF  
**RECREATION**.

THAT'S IT! "A  
GAME IS A  
FORM OF  
RECREATION".



SO I STILL HAVE TO  
WORK OUT WHAT MAKES  
GAMES **SPECIAL** FORMS  
OF RECREATION?

EXACTLY... WHAT  
THINGS MAKE GAMES  
**DIFFERENT** FROM  
HOBBIES, TRAVEL,  
DANCING, SINGING,  
PLAYING MUSIC?

**RULE 4: A DEFINITION NEEDS TWO PARTS LIKE YOUR NAME. ONE PART IS LIKE YOUR SURNAME. IT TELLS YOU ABOUT THE FAMILY OF THE THING YOU'RE DEFINING. ONE PART IS LIKE YOUR FIRST NAME. IT TELLS YOU WHAT IS SPECIAL OR DIFFERENT ABOUT THE THING.**



HOLD IT! GAMES  
ARE JUST PART OF  
THE RECREATION  
**FAMILY**.



TO BEGIN MAKING A GOOD DEFINITION, JUST SAY IN PLAIN WORDS WHAT IS INVOLVED.

BUT IT'S OBVIOUS WHAT **SETS GAMES APART** FROM THINGS LIKE DANCING OR LISTENING TO MUSIC. GAMES HAVE **RULES!**

THE RULES TELL YOU WHAT YOUR **GOALS** ARE. THEY TELL YOU HOW TO **WIN**. AND THEY TELL YOU WHAT YOU **CAN AND CAN'T DO**.

WOW, JO! I THINK THAT'S A **BRILLIANT** DEFINITION.

YEAH! A GAME IS A FORM OF RECREATION MADE UP OF RULES DESCRIBING A GOAL AND HOW TO ACHIEVE IT. GREAT!

YOU REALLY THINK SO?

ONCE YOU HAVE A WORKING DEFINITION,  
YOU SHOULD CHECK IF IT IS TOO BROAD.

BEFORE WE  
SETTLE ON THE  
DEFINITION, WE  
JUST NEED TO  
**TEST** IT.

TEST IT?!  
HOW DO  
YOU TEST  
**WORDS**?

YOU ASK  
**QUESTIONS**,  
OF COURSE!

LIKE,  
**IS IT**  
**TOO BROAD**?  
THAT IS, DOES  
IT INCLUDE  
THINGS THAT  
**AREN'T**  
GAMES?

LIKE  
**WHAT**?!

LIKE JOGGING, OR  
SINGING, OR PLAYING  
MUSIC. THEY ALL HAVE  
CERTAIN **RULES**.

OK, I  
SUPPOSE  
THEY DO.

BUT YOU CAN  
STILL DO THOSE  
THINGS **WITHOUT**  
FOLLOWING RULES.  
SO THE RULES DON'T  
MAKE THEM WHAT  
THEY ARE.



ALWAYS CHECK IF YOUR  
DEFINITION IS TOO NARROW.

ARE WE  
DONE YET?

NO, SPEEDY. THE  
DEFINITION DOESN'T  
SEEM TOO BROAD. BUT WE  
MUST STILL ASK IF ITS  
**TOO NARROW.**

YOU MEAN, HAVE WE  
**MISSED** ANYTHING?


YEAH. DOES THE  
DEFINITION COVER  
CRICKET, BASEBALL,  
MONOPOLY?

I RECKON  
IT'S PERFECT  
FOR ALL OF  
THOSE!

BUT WHAT ABOUT  
SOMETHING LIKE  
THROWING A BALL  
AGAINST A WALL?

THERE AREN'T  
REALLY RULES  
FOR THAT, BUT I  
SUPPOSE IT IS A  
GAME. DAMN!

DON'T WORRY,  
JO. IT'S NOT  
MUCH OF A GAME,  
IS IT? IT'S A  
**BORDERLINE**  
CASE.




BORDER-WHAT?  
WHATEVER IT IS, IT  
SOUNDS LIKE WE'RE  
ALMOST DONE!

WHEN YOU  
DEFINE THINGS,  
THERE WILL  
ALWAYS BE  
**BORDERLINE**  
**CASES.**

THIS GYM  
TOWEL HAS A  
BLUE STRIPE AND A  
GREEN STRIPE. A  
DEFINITION OF THE  
COLOURS SHOULD  
**DISTINGUISH**  
BETWEEN THE  
TWO.

BUT THIS BLUE-  
GREEN STRIPE IS ON  
THE **BORDER** BETWEEN  
THE TWO COLOURS. WE  
SHOULDN'T THROW OUT  
A DEFINITION BECAUSE  
OF BORDERLINE  
CASES.



SO, AS LONG AS A  
DEFINITION IS NOT  
TOO BROAD AND  
NOT TOO NARROW,  
IT SHOULD BE OK?

EVEN IF THERE ARE  
SOME BORDERLINE  
CASES THAT COULD GO  
EITHER WAY!

THINK OF  
**GOLDILOCKS**: NOT  
TOO BROAD, NOT  
TOO NARROW, BUT  
JUST RIGHT!









# Generating New Ideas



GREAT THINKERS ASK  
**QUESTIONS** TO HELP  
THEM THINK OF NEW IDEAS.

YOU THINK WE CAN TURN  
THIS PIECE OF **JUNK** INTO  
SOMETHING **COOL**?



IF WE ASK THE  
**SCRAMBLE**  
QUESTIONS, WE'LL  
THINK OF PLENTY  
WAYS TO MAKE IT  
AWESOME!

**SCRAMBLE** STANDS FOR  
SUBSTITUTE, COMBINE,  
REARRANGE, ADAPT,  
MODIFY, BREAK A RULE,  
LEAVE OUT, EXAGGERATE.

**SCRAMBLE**



GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I  
SUBSTITUTE?"

# SCRAMBLE



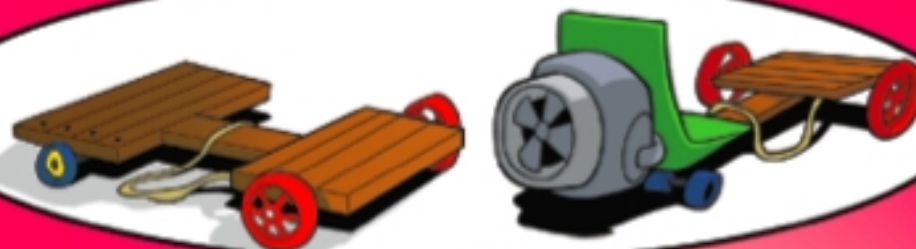
WE **SUBSTITUTED** A  
**CHAIR** FOR THE SITTING  
PLANK, WHICH IS MUCH  
MORE **COMFORTABLE**!



GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I COMBINE?"

# SCRAMBLE

WE COMBINED AN  
ELECTRIC *MOTOR* WITH THE  
KART TO MAKE IT *FASTER*.

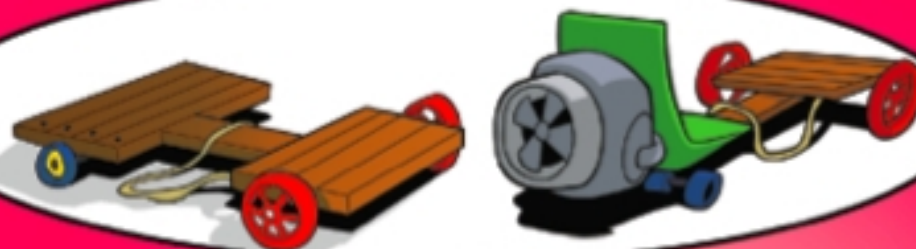




GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I COMBINE?"

# SCRAMBLE

WE COMBINED AN  
ELECTRIC *MOTOR* WITH THE  
KART TO MAKE IT *FASTER*.



GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I  
REARRANGE?"

# SCRAMBLE

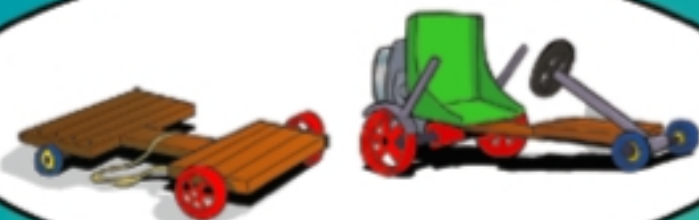


WE **REARRANGED** THE  
**WHEELS** SO THAT THE  
BIGGER ONES WERE AT  
THE BACK.



GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I MODIFY?"

# SCRAMBLE



WE **MODIFIED**  
THE **BRAKES** TO  
MAKE THEM EASIER  
TO **CONTROL**



GREAT THINKERS ASK, "WHAT RULES CAN I *BREAK*?"



# SCRAMBLE

WE *BROKE* A  
RULE BY ADDING  
SEATBELTS AND  
LIGHTS. 'COS  
KARTS DON'T  
USUALLY HAVE  
THOSE!





GREAT THINKERS ASK,  
"WHAT CAN I LEAVE OUT?"



WE LEFT OUT  
THE FOOT PLANK.  
IT'S REALLY NOT  
NECESSARY.

SCRAMBLE



GREAT THINKERS  
ASK, "WHAT CAN I  
EXAGGERATE?"



WE *EXAGGERATED*  
THE WAY THE KART  
LOOKS BY GIVING IT A  
*PAINT JOB.*

SCRAMBLE



# Mind Mapping



ONE AFTERNOON, THE  
DAY BEFORE A TEST.

WHY DO YOU  
LOOK SO  
*TIRED*, JO?

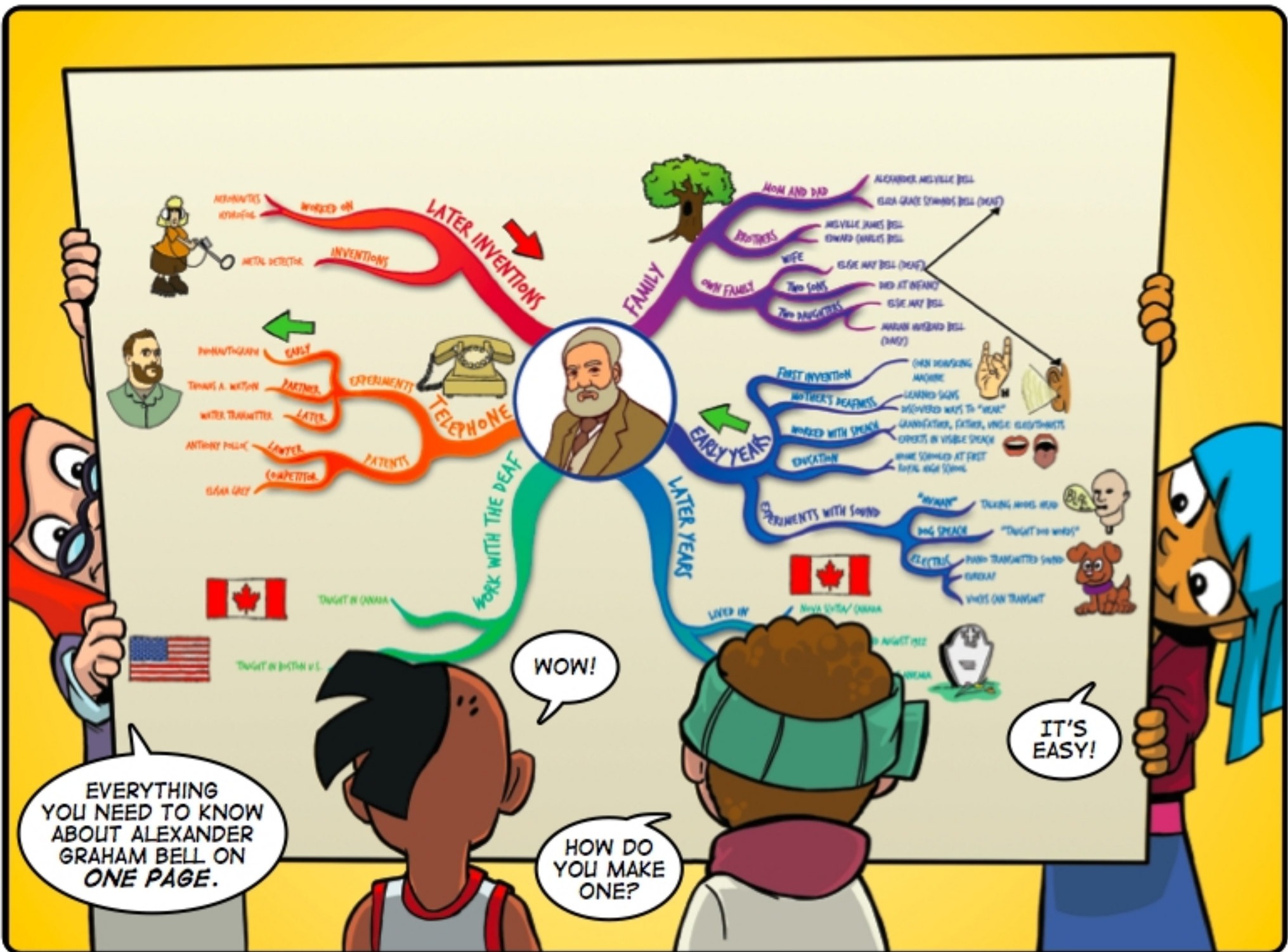
ALEXANDER  
GRAHAM BELL.  
THAT'S WHY...

WE'VE BEEN  
READING BOOKS  
ABOUT HIM FOR  
HOURS. BUT WE  
CAN'T SEEM TO  
*REMEMBER*  
ANYTHING WE  
READ.

WHY DON'T  
YOU MAKE A  
*MIND MAP*?





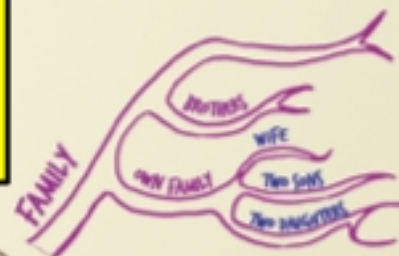


**AND SO THE GIRLS EXPLAIN...**

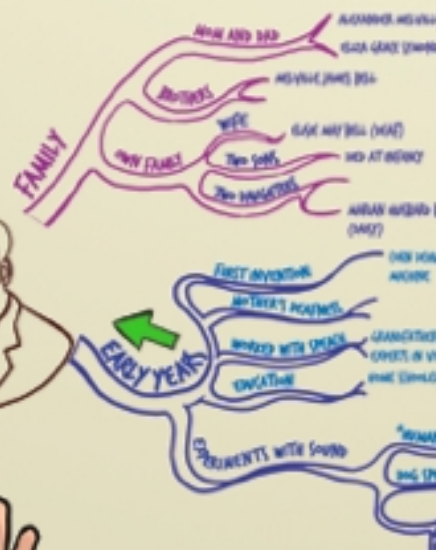
**STEP 1: TURN YOUR PAGE HORIZONTAL AND WRITE YOUR MAIN IDEA IN THE MIDDLE. INSTEAD OF WRITING, THE GIRLS DREW A PICTURE OF BELL.**



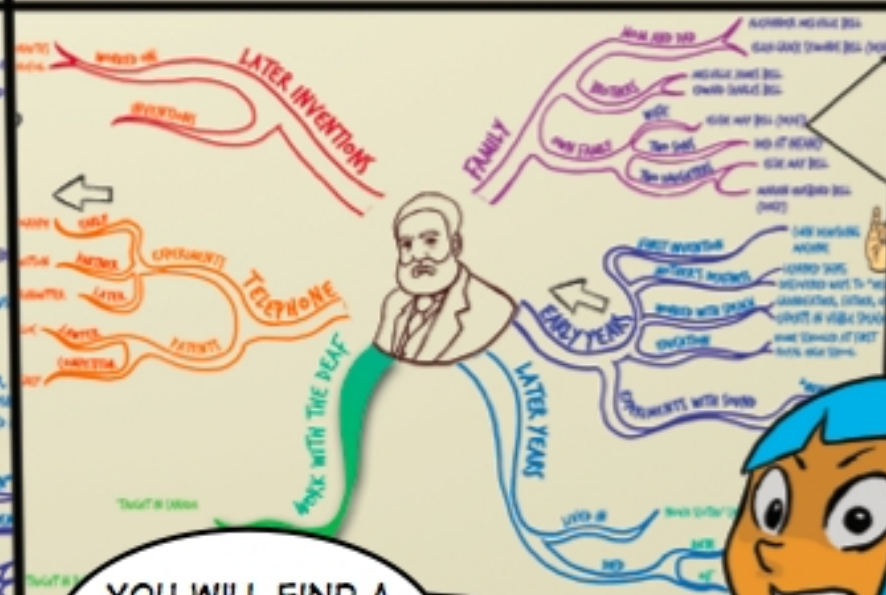
**STEP 2: DRAW BRANCHES IN NEW COLOURS FOR EACH NEW MAIN IDEA. YOU DON'T HAVE TO COMPLETE ONE IDEA BEFORE GOING TO THE NEXT. FILL UP YOUR MAP AS YOU GO.**



WHEN YOU READ ABOUT A NEW IDEA, WRITE SOMETHING ON THE MAP THAT WILL **TRIGGER** A MEMORY OF IT.

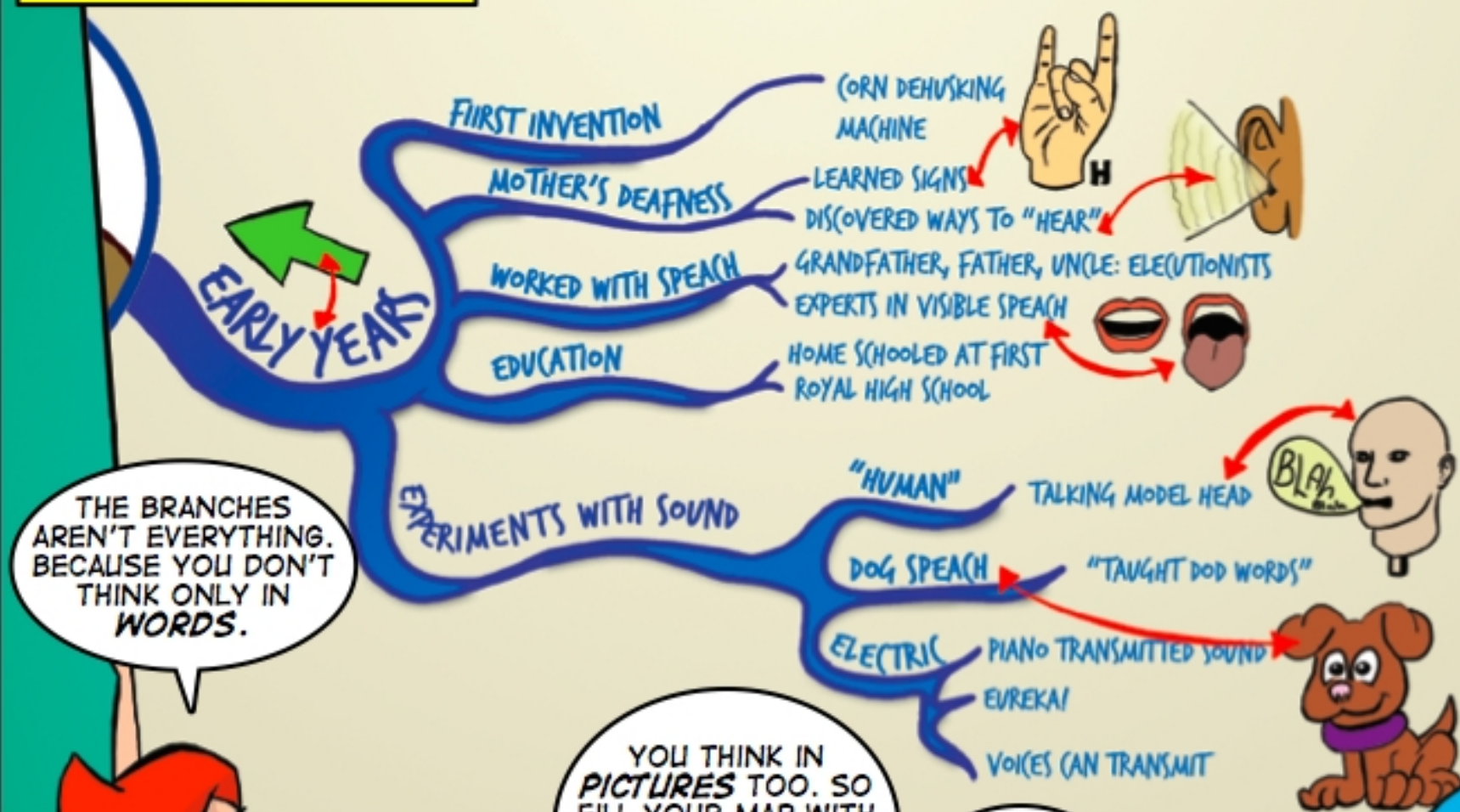


YOU WILL FIND A PLACE FOR MOST IDEAS ON A FEW MAIN BRANCHES.





**STEP 3: ADD PICTURES OR PHOTOS OR DRAWINGS THAT HELP TRIGGER MEMORIES ABOUT DIFFERENT IDEAS.**

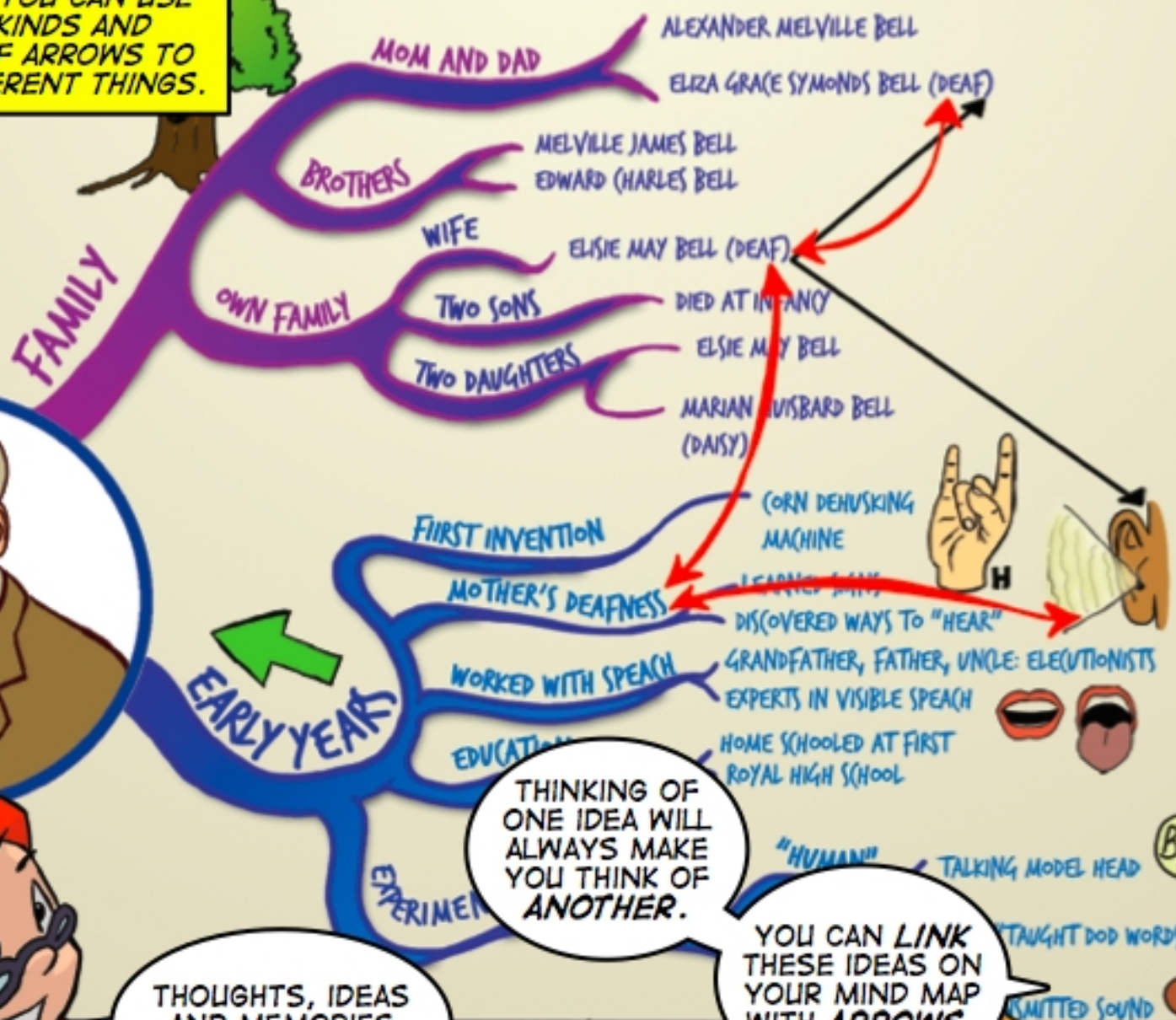


THE BRANCHES AREN'T EVERYTHING. BECAUSE YOU DON'T THINK ONLY IN WORDS.

YOU THINK IN PICTURES TOO. SO FILL YOUR MAP WITH DRAWINGS. OR CUT OUT PHOTOS AND STICK THEM ON.

ANYTHING THAT HELPS YOU THINK ABOUT YOUR SUBJECT HAS A PLACE ON YOUR MIND MAP.

**STEP 4: USE ARROWS TO LINK COMMON IDEAS TOGETHER. YOU CAN USE DIFFERENT KINDS AND COLOURS OF ARROWS TO SHOW DIFFERENT THINGS.**



THOUGHTS, IDEAS AND MEMORIES AREN'T ISLANDS.

THINKING OF ONE IDEA WILL ALWAYS MAKE YOU THINK OF ANOTHER.

YOU CAN LINK THESE IDEAS ON YOUR MIND MAP WITH ARROWS.





PHONAUTOGRAPH

THOMAS A. WATSON

WATER TRANSMITTER

ANTHONY POLLOX

ELISHA GREY

EARLY

PARTNER

LATER

LAWYER

COMPETITOR

EXPERIMENTS

PATENTS

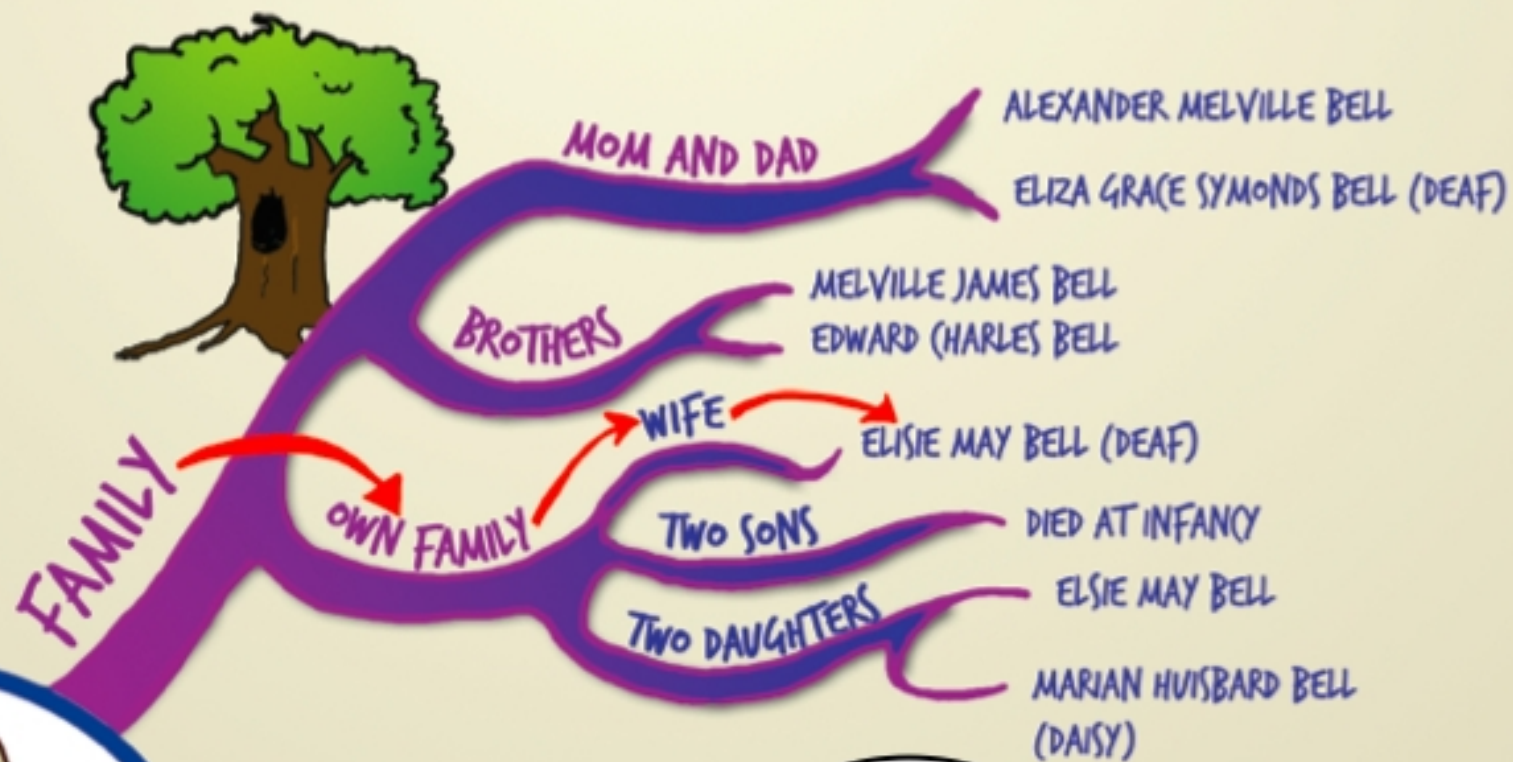


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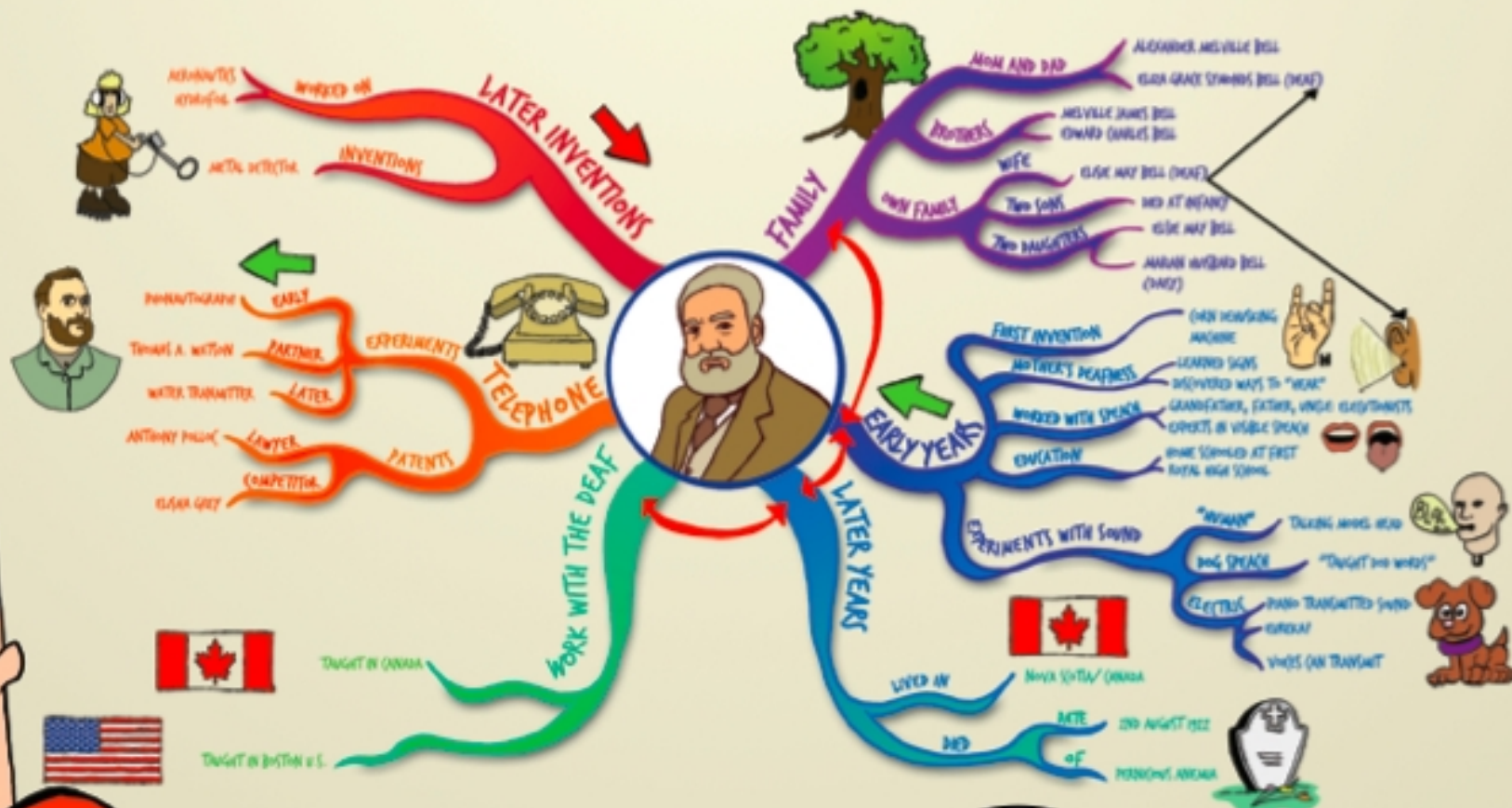
YOU CAN USE  
LINK FACTS FROM  
**DIFFERENT** IDEA  
BRANCHES.

OR YOU CAN SHOW A  
PARTICULAR **PATH OF**  
**THINKING** BY  
CONNECTING THOUGHTS IN  
A **SINGLE BRANCH.**



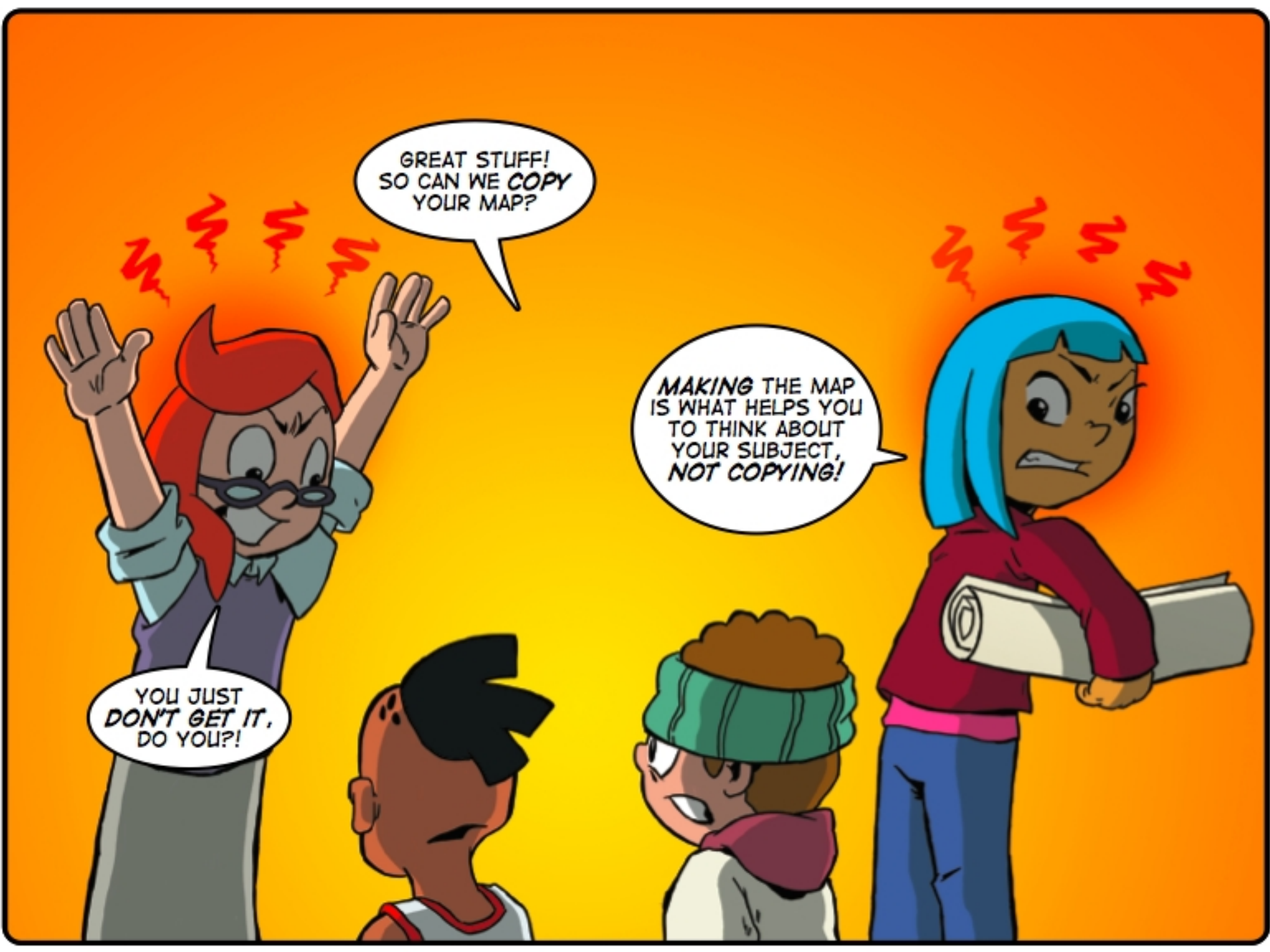
AND DON'T  
FORGET THAT THE  
MORE **SPECIFIC**  
YOUR **IDEAS**  
BECOME, YOU  
SHOULD MAKE YOUR  
**BRANCHES**  
**THINNER.**





BEFORE YOU  
KNOW IT YOUR  
MAP WILL BE  
FULL.

FULL OF  
MEMORY  
TRIGGERS  
THAT WILL HELP  
YOU TO THINK  
ABOUT YOUR  
SUBJECT.



GREAT STUFF!  
SO CAN WE *COPY*  
YOUR MAP?

YOU JUST  
*DON'T GET IT,*  
DO YOU?!

*MAKING* THE MAP  
IS WHAT HELPS YOU  
TO THINK ABOUT  
YOUR SUBJECT,  
*NOT COPYING!*



# Reading appreciation



SOPHIE LOVES TO READ. JOJO FINDS IT BORING. BUT HE'S ABOUT TO LEARN HOW TO MAKE READING INTERESTING AND FUN.

WHY THE LONG FACE?

SHAKAS

J g h c w  
u A b a  
K R  
D Z S y L





GOOD READERS  
ARE PEOPLE WHO  
ENJOY READING.

I'M TRYING TO  
READ ABOUT **SHAKA  
ZULL'S WAR  
TACTICS**. BUT I  
CAN'T SEEM TO GET  
ANY OF THIS STUFF  
**INTO MY HEAD!**

WHAT  
**QUESTIONS**  
ARE YOU  
ASKING?

AND SOPHIE KNOWS THAT BEING  
A GOOD READER IS ABOUT ASKING  
QUESTIONS WHILE YOU READ.

QUESTIONS?  
I'M **READING**,  
SOPH, NOT  
TALKING.

JO, YOU HAVE TO  
**ASK YOURSELF  
QUESTIONS** WHILE  
YOU'RE READING.

OTHERWISE THE  
WORDS WILL JUST  
BOUNCE AROUND  
INSIDE YOUR HEAD  
AND YOU **WON'T  
REMEMBER  
ANYTHING**.

GOOD READERS ASK, "WHAT DO I **ALREADY KNOW** ABOUT WHAT I'M READING?"

HERE'S AN **EXAMPLE...**

WHILE YOU'RE READING, ASK YOURSELF, "WHAT DO I **ALREADY KNOW** ABOUT THIS TOPIC?"

THEN **COMPARE** WHAT YOU KNOW WITH WHAT YOU ARE READING.

WELL I ONCE SAW A TV SHOW ABOUT SHAKA'S **BUFFALO HORN** ATTACK FORMATION.

HIS **FASTEST WARRIORS** RAN AROUND THE ENEMY IN THE SHAPE OF A BUFFALO'S HORNS.





GOOD READERS ASK, "WHAT DOES THIS REMIND ME OF THAT I HAVE READ BEFORE?"

THAT'S GREAT!

YOU CAN ALSO ASK YOURSELF, "DOES THIS REMIND ME OF ANYTHING I'VE READ ABOUT BEFORE?"

COME TO THINK OF IT, THAT'S JUST THE WAY MY FAVOURITE **FOOTBALL** TEAM ATTACKS. I'VE READ THE TEAM **BIOGRAPHY**.



GOOD READERS THINK OF  
**QUESTIONS** THEY CAN ASK  
WHILE THEY ARE READING.

YOU CAN ALSO ASK  
YOURSELF WHAT **GENERAL  
QUESTIONS** YOU HAVE  
ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE  
READING.



WELL NOW I  
HAVE **LOADS**  
OF QUESTIONS!

FIRSTLY, IF  
THE FAST RUNNERS  
WERE THE HORNS,  
THEN WHERE DID  
**OTHER KINDS OF  
WARRIORS** GO?




GOOD READERS THINK OF WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE TO TALK TO THE **WRITER**. THEY THINK OF QUESTIONS THEY MIGHT LIKE TO ASK.

YOU CAN ALSO ASK YOURSELF, "WHAT WOULD I LIKE TO ASK THE **WRITER**?"




I'D LIKE TO ASK HIM IF SHAKA'S WAR TACTICS AFFECTED MODERN **FOOTBALL**!



A woman with red hair and glasses is talking to a boy. She is holding a book and a piece of paper with a drawing of a tree. The boy is looking at her with a skeptical expression.

SO DOES  
THAT HELP  
YOU?

LIKE YOU  
WON'T BELIEVE,  
SOPH!

A boy is holding a beach ball and a book. He is smiling and looking up at the beach ball. The background is a bright orange with white rays.

BECAUSE NOW I  
HAVE AN IDEA FOR  
MY *HISTORY*  
*PROJECT!*



WHILE I WAS READING,  
I KEPT ASKING MYSELF  
HOW **SHAKA'S ATTACK**  
**FORMATION COMPARES**  
WITH MY FAVOURITE  
**FOOTBALL TEAM.**



# Scientific Method





A RUBBER BOUNCY BALL BREAKS THE WINDOW AND GOES FLYING AROUND THE CLASSROOM.

WOW! I WONDER WHAT MAKES IT BOUNCE LIKE THAT?

YEAH! I WONDER HOW MANY TIMES A NORMAL BALL BOUNCES?

GOOD SCIENTISTS BEGIN WITH A QUESTION. THEY WANT TO DISCOVER AN ANSWER TO SOME MYSTERY.

LET'S DO AN EXPERIMENT!

COOL! FIRST WE NEED A **FOCUS QUESTION**.

**HOW MANY TIMES** DOES A BALL BOUNCE?

AND **HOW HIGH** ON EACH BOUNCE?



GOOD SCIENTISTS MAKE PREDICTIONS BEFORE THEY EXPERIMENT.

I THINK A BALL BOUNCES **THREE** TIMES.

I THINK IT BOUNCES MORE OFTEN IF IT'S **HOLLOW**.

I THINK IT BOUNCES HIGHER IF IT'S **PINK**. JUST KIDDING.

I THINK IT BOUNCES HIGHER IF IT'S MADE OF **RUBBER**.

GOOD SCIENTISTS CHOOSE EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS CAREFULLY.

WHAT DO WE **NEED**?

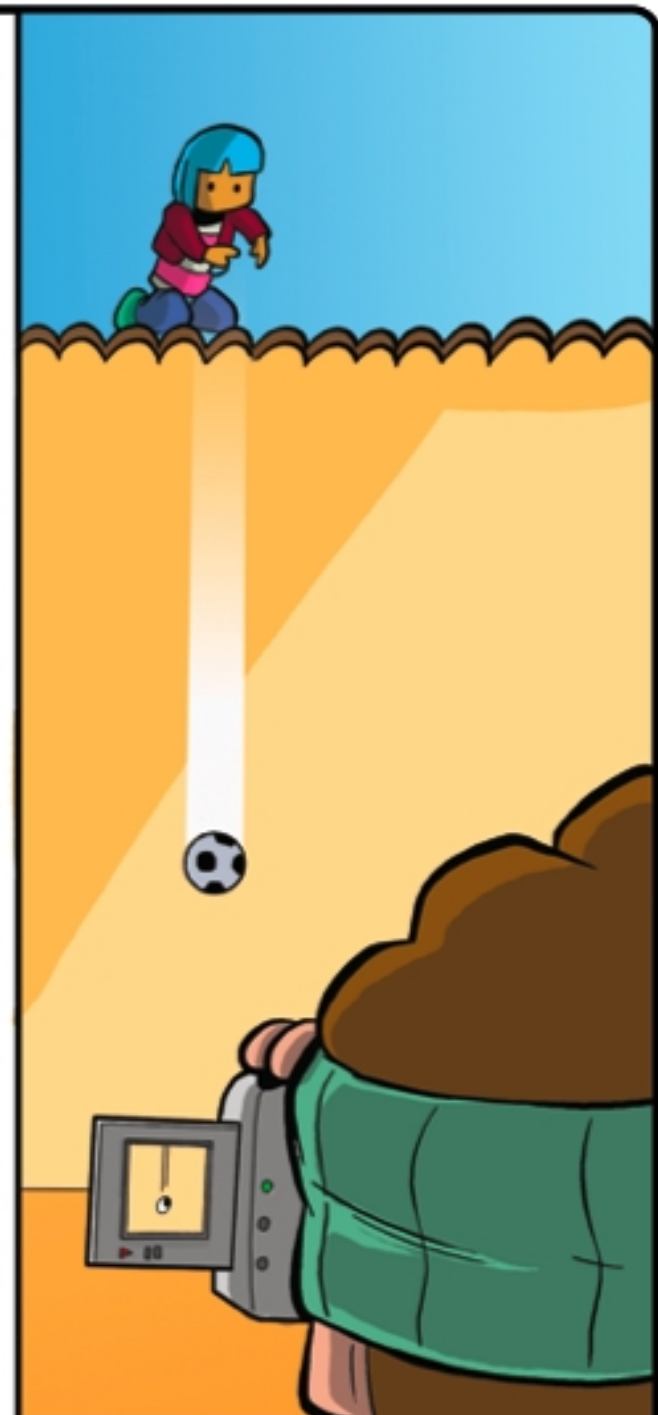
A RULER. A TAPE MEASURE. PAPER. AND A MARKER.

GOOD SCIENTISTS WORK OUT STEP-BY-STEP PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW. LIKE RECIPES FOR THEIR EXPERIMENTS.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THIS?

**DROP, CATCH AND MARK.** OVER AND OVER 'TIL THERE'S NO MORE BOUNCE.





**GOOD SCIENTISTS OBSERVE, MEASURE AND RECORD THEIR MEASUREMENTS ACCURATELY.**

GOOD SCIENTISTS ORGANISE THEIR DATA TO MAKE SENSE OF IT, AND THEY BACK UP THEIR CLAIMS WITH EVIDENCE.

I CLAIM THAT THE HEIGHT OF EACH BOUNCE IS A CONSTANT **FRACTION** OF THE HEIGHT FROM WHICH IT FELL.

THE **MATERIAL** OF THE BALL DETERMINES THE BOUNCE HEIGHT AND THE NUMBER OF TIMES THE BALL BOUNCES.

WE KNOW THIS BECAUSE WE TESTED **THREE** DIFFERENT KINDS OF BALLS AND WE OBSERVED **SIMILAR RESULTS** IN EACH CASE.



SCIENTISTS USE COMPUTERS TO MAKE MODELS OF THEIR RESULTS TO UNDERSTAND THEM BETTER.



GOOD SCIENTISTS  
SUMMARISE THEIR  
CONCLUSIONS.

WE LEARNED THAT  
THERE IS A **LAW** THAT  
**GOVERNS** THE  
**BOUNCE** OF A BALL.

NOW WE CAN MAKE  
**BETTER PREDICTIONS**  
ABOUT THE BOUNCE OF A  
BALL BECAUSE WE KNOW  
MORE ABOUT **GRAVITY**.

GOOD SCIENTISTS ARE **SKEPTICAL**  
ABOUT THEIR CONCLUSIONS.

HOW CAN WE BE  
SURE WE'RE NOT  
**FOOLING**  
**OURSELVES**?

WHAT WERE THE  
**WEAKNESSES** IN  
OUR EXPERIMENT?

DID WE **REPEAT**  
THE EXPERIMENT  
ENOUGH TIMES?

GOOD SCIENTISTS REFLECT ON THEIR EXPERIMENTS. THEY LOOK INWARD TO SEE IF THEY CAN IMPROVE THEIR THINKING.

WHAT WERE THE **WEAKNESSES** IN OUR OLD THINKING?

I WAS **SURPRISED** BY THE WAY DIFFERENT KINDS OF BALLS BOUNCED SO DIFFERENTLY.

HOW DID OUR **PREDICTIONS** COMPARE WITH OUR RESULTS?

THIS HAS **RAISED NEW QUESTIONS** SUCH AS HOW MANY TIMES WILL A BALL BOUNCE ON THE MOON?



AND THEY LOOK OUTWARD FOR CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THE RESULTS OF THEIR EXPERIMENTS AND OTHER AREAS OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE.

HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO **GRAVITY**?

IS THERE SOMETHING IN **NATURE** THAT DEPENDS ON THE LAW WE HAVE DISCOVERED?

HOW DOES IT RELATE TO A BALL THAT IS **THROWN** DOWN INSTEAD OF DROPPED?

