

Adventures with **KACEY** and Friends



MARYLAND EXCELS



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Maryland EXCELS is the state's quality rating and improvement system for licensed child care and early education programs that meet nationally recognized standards.

Maryland EXCELS provides information that families need to make informed decisions when choosing child care and early education programs.

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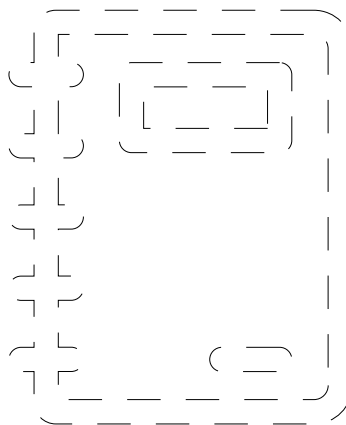
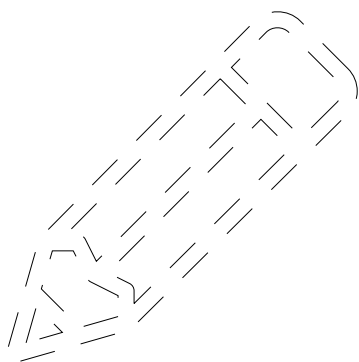
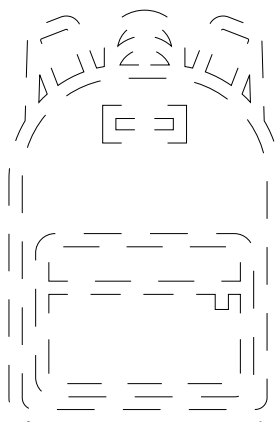
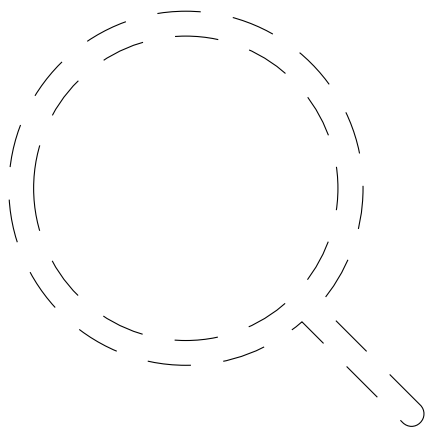
Let Kacey, the Maryland EXCELS Quality Koala, help you discover the importance of high-quality child care and early education.

Kacey, along with friends Carly the Crab and Oliver the Owl, have lots of fun activities for you to do with your young children.

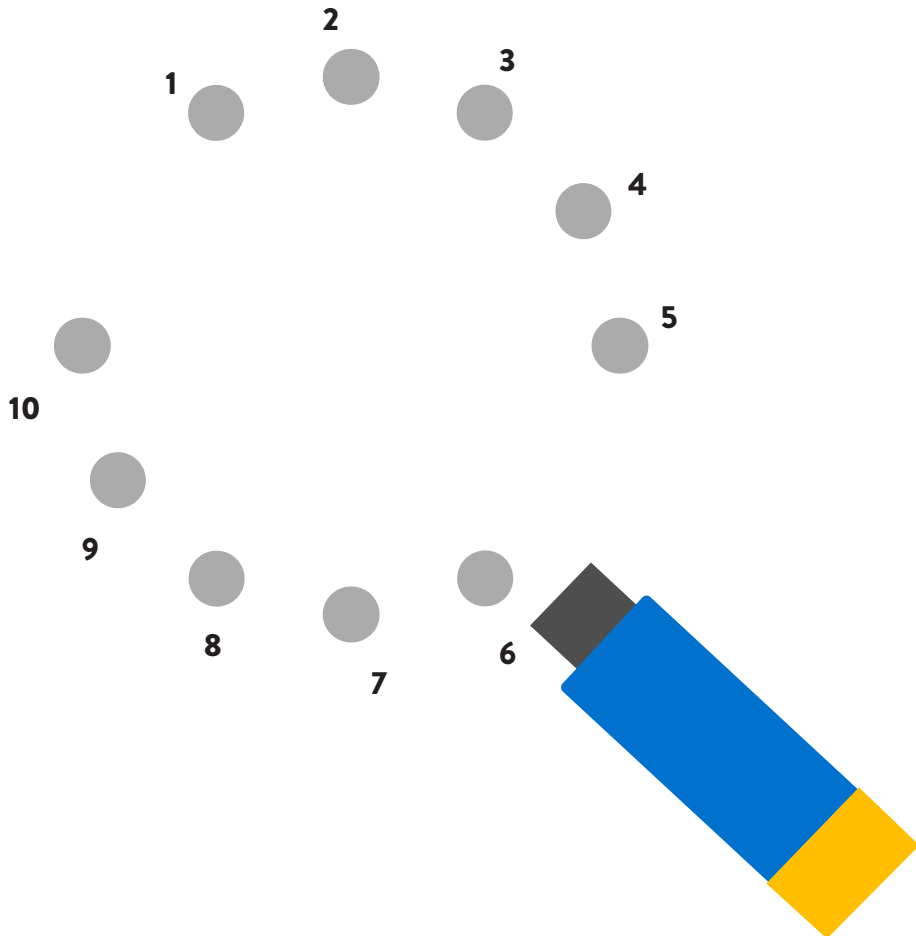
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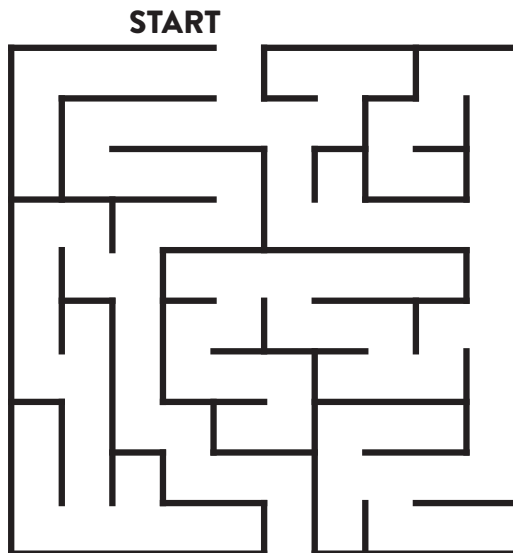
Trace the dotted lines to help find Kacey's magnifying glass, backpack, pencil, and notebook.



Connect the dots numbered 1-10 to reveal
Kacey's magnifying glass.



Help find Kacey's backpack at the end of the maze.



END





Find Kacey's animal friends
in the word search.

**crab, owl, pig, dog, cat,
bear, hen, fish, fox**



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

**CRAB
OWL
PIG**

**DOG
CAT
BEAR**

**HEN
FISH
FOX**

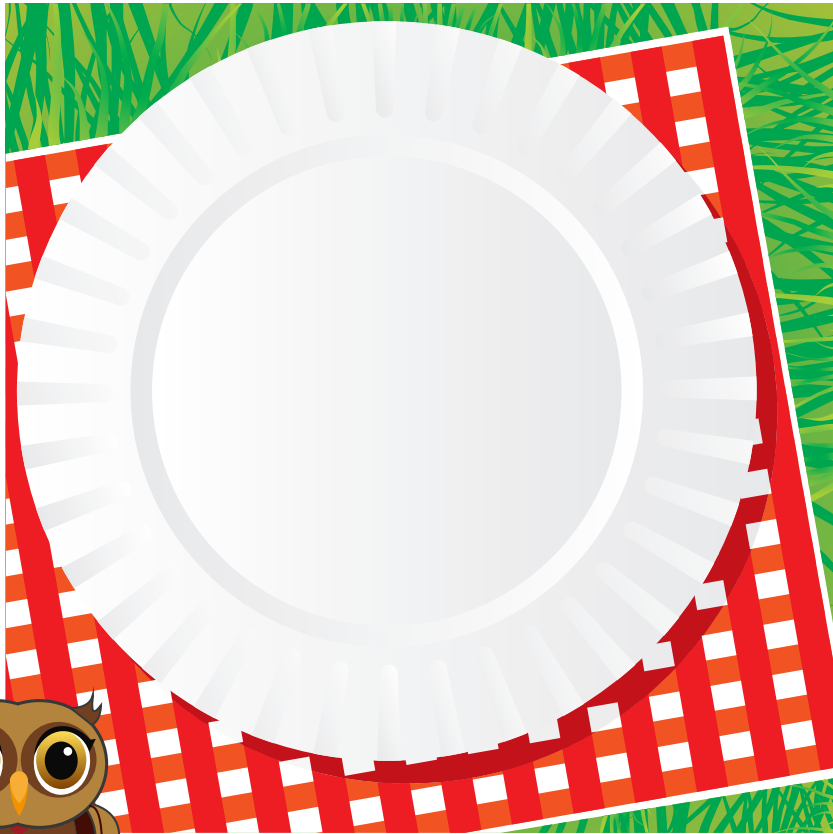
Help find Kacey's friends and other items.



- owl
- crab
- pencil
- bear
- backpack
- magnifying glass
- hat



Help Kacey pack healthy snacks for a picnic with friends.
Draw the snacks you would pack in Kacey's backpack.



Fill in the missing letters to complete the words below.



1. C__W

6. B__AR

2. P__G

7. CR__B

3. D__G

8. F__SH

4. F__X

9. H__N

5. O__L

10. C__T



Circle the item that is different in each row.



Fill in the blanks with words to help finish the story.



Kacey, Carly, and Oliver went on an exciting adventure today! They decided to visit the _____.
Place

They were so surprised to see a _____ that
Animal

could fly around. Then they saw a _____ with
Animal

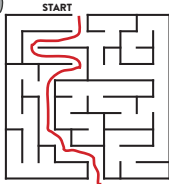
_____ spots. They all laughed when they found
Color

a _____ that made a funny _____
Toy Sound

when they picked it up. They started to get hungry, so they bought their favorite _____ for a snack. After
Food

they ate, it was time to go home. It was a very fun day for **Kacey, Carly, and Oliver!**





1. COW

2. PLG

3. DOG

4. FOX

5. OWL

6. BEAR

7. CRAB

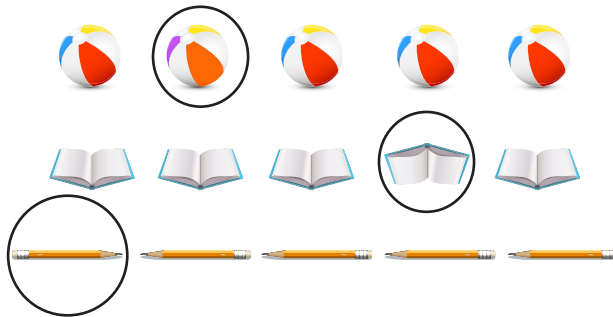
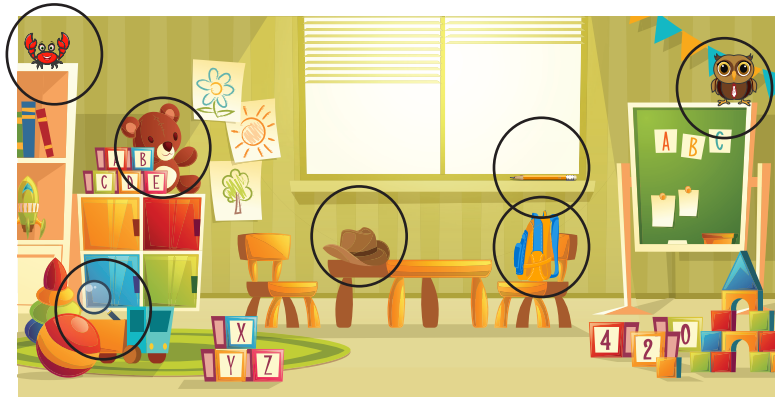
8. FISH

9. HEN

10. CAT

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

CRAB	DOG	HEN
OWL	CAT	FISH
PIG	BEAR	FOX





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