

Tips & Tricks

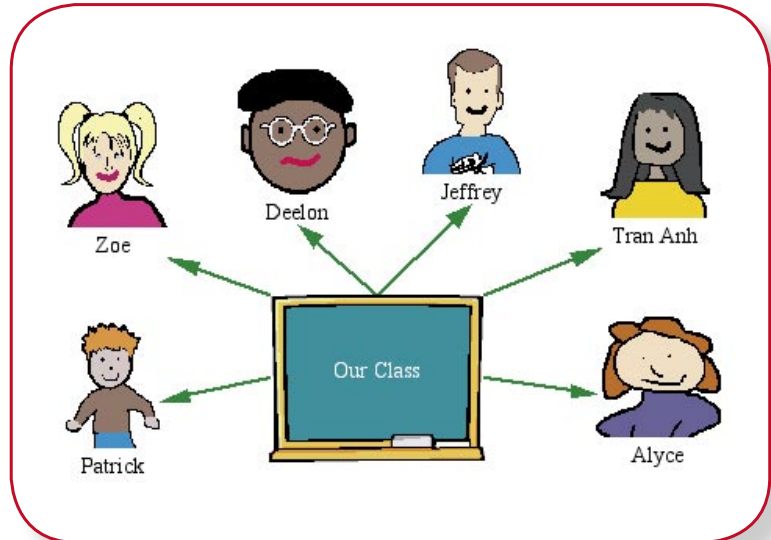
Kidspiration's Symbol Maker

Using Kidspiration's Symbol Maker tool, students can express their thoughts and ideas by drawing and painting their own symbols. When these drawn symbols are integrated into graphic organizers, they provide a powerful connection for the student, enhancing creativity and aiding in understanding of concepts.

Use Kidspiration's Symbol Maker tool to:

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Create a class portrait gallery—and save it by creating a new symbol library so every student has access to all portraits for future projects.



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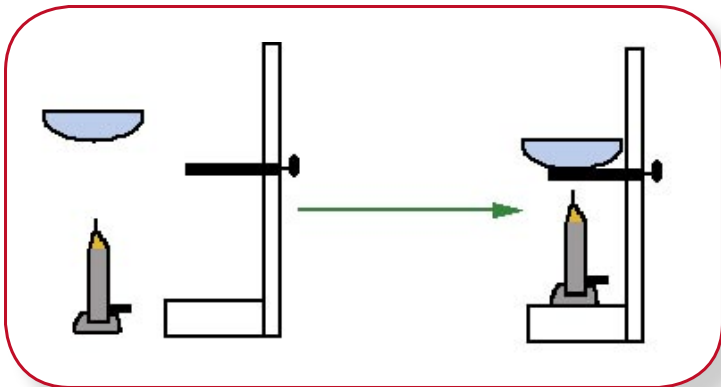
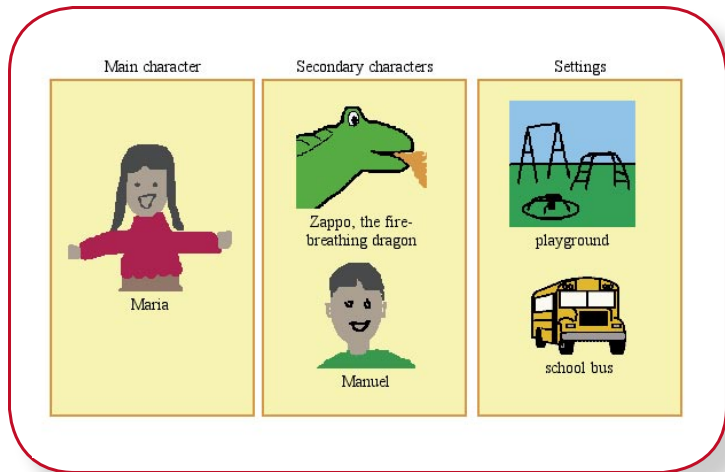
Create a visual alphabet—students can use Symbol Maker's stamps to add the letter then draw a picture of an object starting with that letter.

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Depict story elements for writing

—a small graphic of the newly created symbol will appear in Writing View, helping to prompt ideas for writing.



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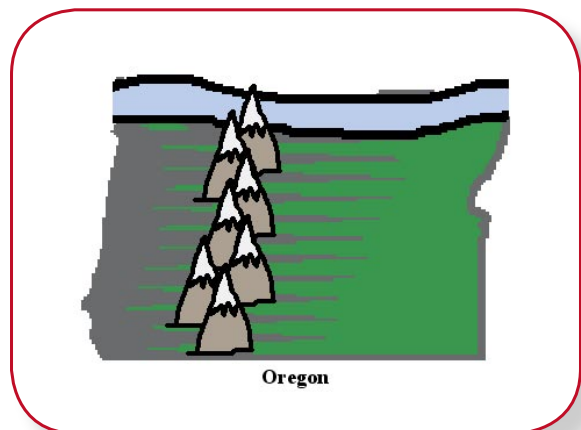
Illustrate science

procedures—drawn symbols can be edited by simply double-clicking on the symbol to bring up the Symbol Maker interface.

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Create topographical maps of states or regions

—import a map and make it a SuperGrouper® shape by selecting the imported symbol, clicking on the SuperGrouper button and selecting Create SuperGrouper. Then use the Symbol Maker tool to create mountains, rivers, forests and other topographical features.



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