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**Can you find a domino?
How about an ambulance?**

Is there a whale hidden anywhere?

Can you find an animal wearing glasses and a letter under a bird?



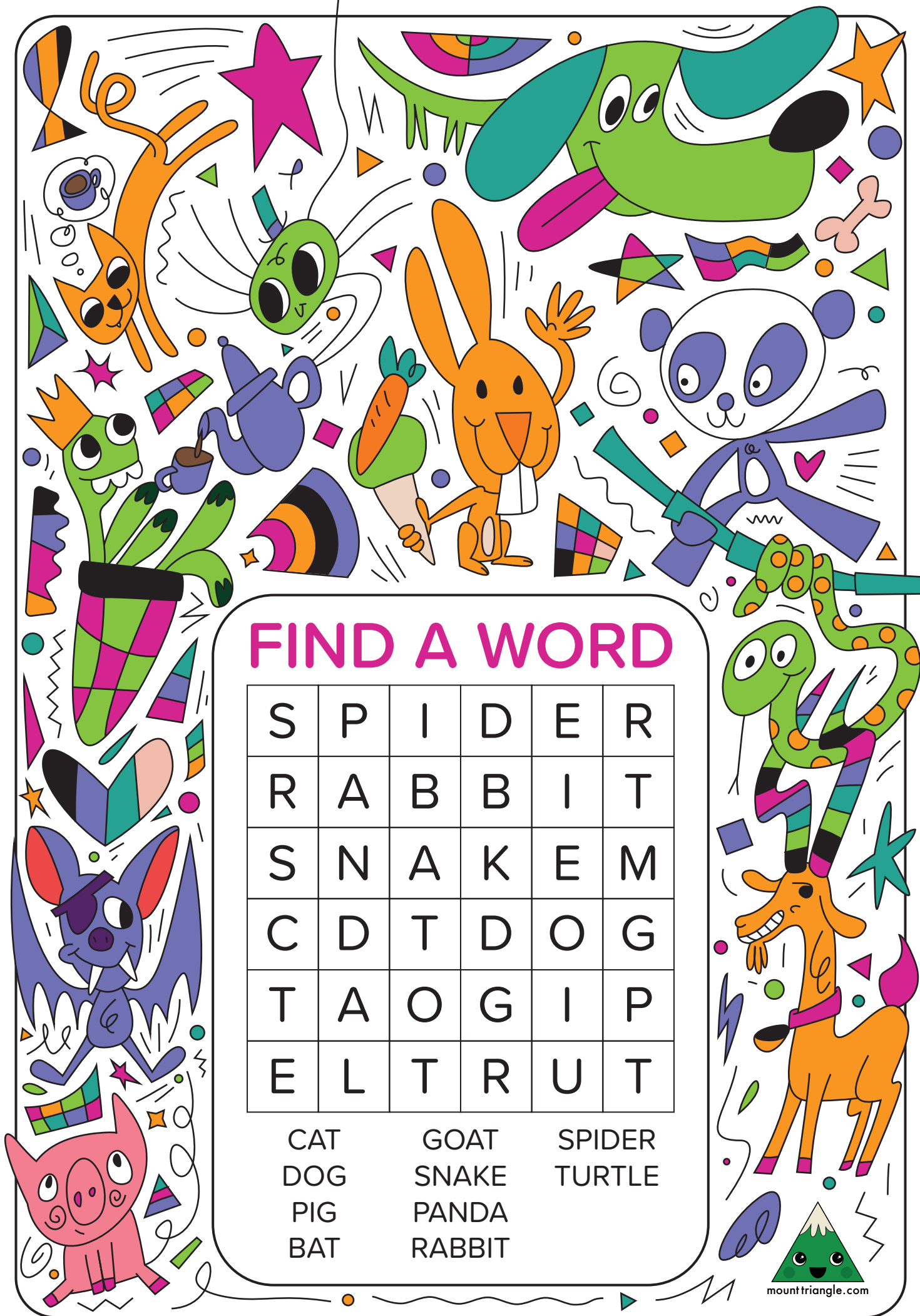
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CAT
DOG
PIG
BAT

GOAT
SNAKE
PANDA
RABBIT

SPIDER
TURTLE



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10 Fascinating Facts About

BURANO

1 Burano is an island 7 kilometres from Venice, Italy. People need to catch a 45-minute ferry from Venice to get there.

2 The island of Burano is tiny! In fact, it is only 0.21 km², and you can walk anywhere on the island in less than 10 minutes.

3 Burano is home to about 2000 residents. Most of the island's population are fishermen.

4

By law, every house must be painted a different colour or shade. You will not see two houses with the exact same colour.

5

There are strict rules about painting your house. If you wish to paint your house a different colour, you must write a letter to government officials for permission.

6

The original purpose for the bright variety of coloured houses was to help fishermen find their way home on dark, foggy nights.

7

It is believed Burano was first established by villagers from the mainland of Italy, fleeing and hiding from Attila the Hun, an invading ruler at the time.

8

Burano's Leaning Bell Tower is 53 metres tall and has to be reinforced due to the sinking ground beneath it.

9

Burano residents have a tradition of creating handmade lace, which is becoming a dying art due to machine-made lace being less expensive and easier to produce. Burano is now one of the last places in the world to make handmade lace.



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Even though Burano is small, it has a variety of restaurants, shops, art museums and even schools.



EXTREME ENVIRONMENTS

WHAT IS A TUNDRA?

A tundra is a vast, frozen plain in the coldest regions of the world. Tundras are commonly located north of the Arctic Circle, or above the timberline on high mountains. Tundras can be found across Russia, Canada, Antarctica, Scandinavia and the United States of America.

WHAT IS THE CLIMATE LIKE IN A TUNDRA?

A tundra is usually very cold. Depending on the time of year, tundras can be covered with varying amounts of snow. The annual rainfall, fog and melted snow in a tundra is between approximately 150 and 250 millilitres per year. The temperature in a tundra can change dramatically between summer and winter. During summer, the average temperature is 12°C. In winter, the temperature can dip below -30°C!

WHAT FLORA AND FAUNA SURVIVE IN A TUNDRA?

In a tundra environment, the ground is consistently alternating between freezing and thawing. This cycle affects the types of plants that can grow and survive there. The range of vegetation includes mosses, lichens, heath, herbs and small shrubs.

Although the climate is very cold, a tundra can provide a habitat for many animals. These animals have special adaptations that allow them to survive the extreme temperatures and conditions. Some animals that live in a tundra include Arctic foxes, lemmings, snowy owls, caribous, bears and harlequin ducks.

WHAT IS A DESERT?

Deserts are large, extremely dry areas of land with sparse vegetation. Deserts are commonly located near the Tropic of Cancer or the Tropic of Capricorn. Some countries around the world with expansive desert environments include Australia, Libya, Mexico and China.

WHAT IS THE CLIMATE LIKE IN A DESERT?

The climate of a desert is usually dry, hot and sunny all year round. The annual rainfall in a desert is less than 250 millilitres per year. The temperature can change dramatically between day and night. During the day, the average temperature is 40°C. The night temperature can reach as low as 0°C.

WHAT FLORA AND FAUNA SURVIVE IN A DESERT?

Due to the hot, dry climate conditions, deserts have very little to no vegetation. The soils in a desert are usually coarse-textured, shallow, rocky or sandy with no subsurface water. This makes it very hard for vegetation to grow and survive. Some of the plant life that has adapted to survive in a desert includes cacti, succulents, bushes and cholla.

Deserts provide a habitat for many insects, reptiles, birds and mammals. The range of animals will change, depending on the region in which the desert is located. Some animals found in a desert may include spiders, snakes, vultures, mice and camels.

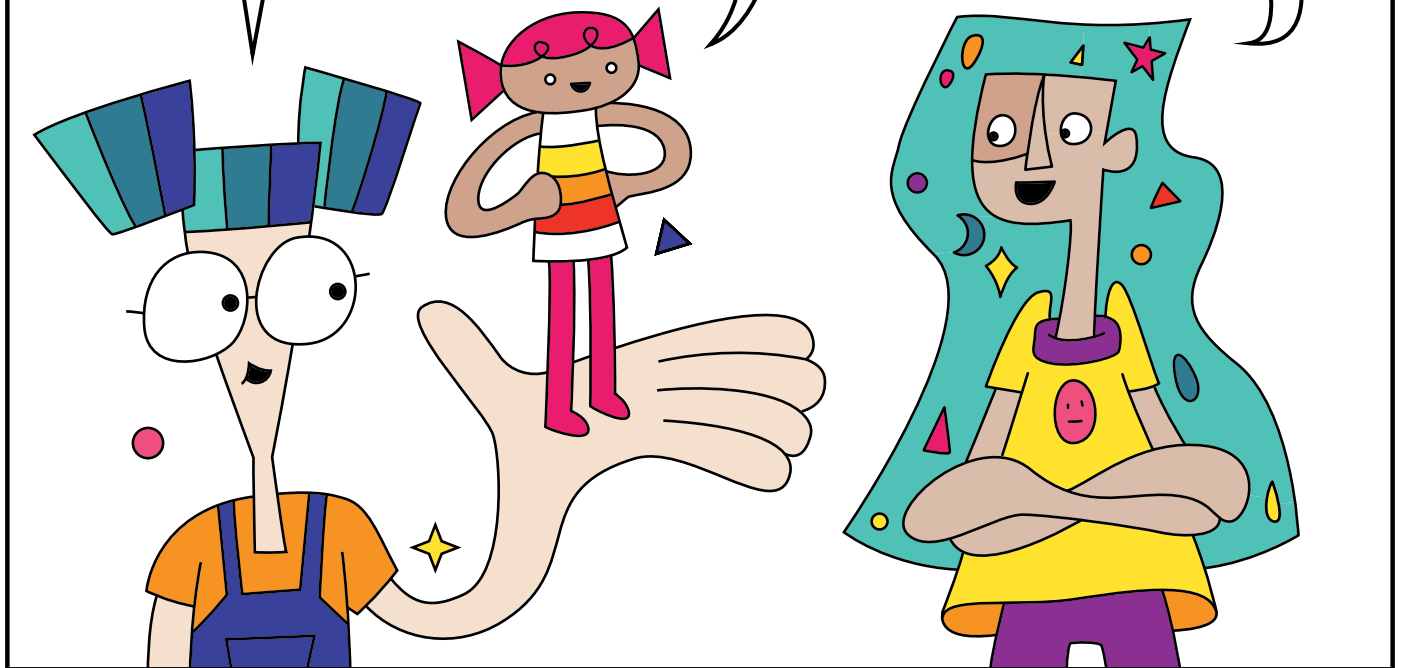
**LANDS
OF ICE
AND
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Peer Politics: Moving On

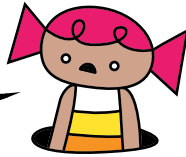
I can't believe the school year is almost over!

Me, neither!

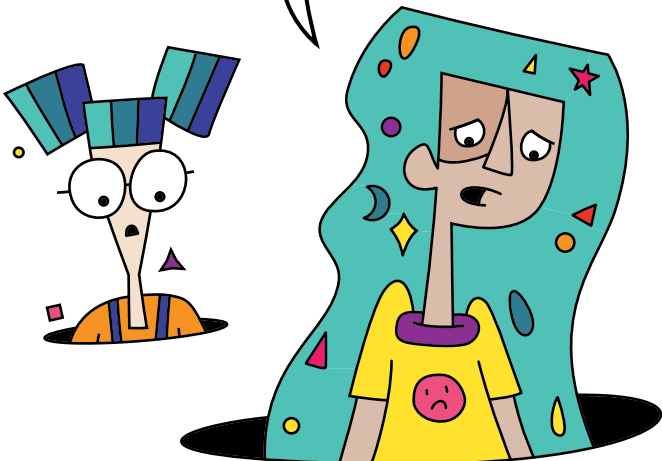
This year has gone by so fast.



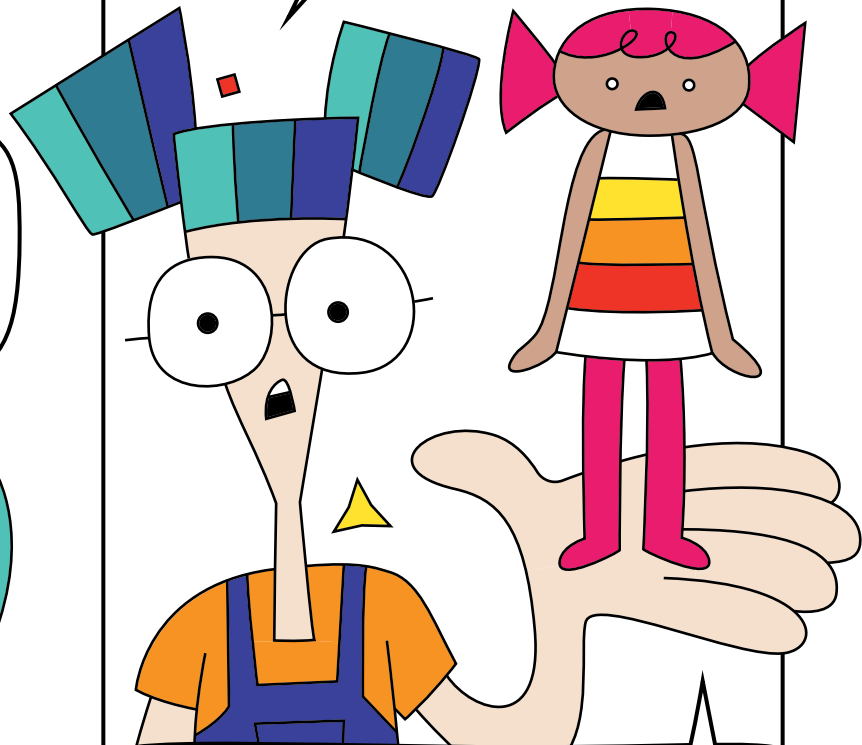
I wish we didn't have to go to high school next year.



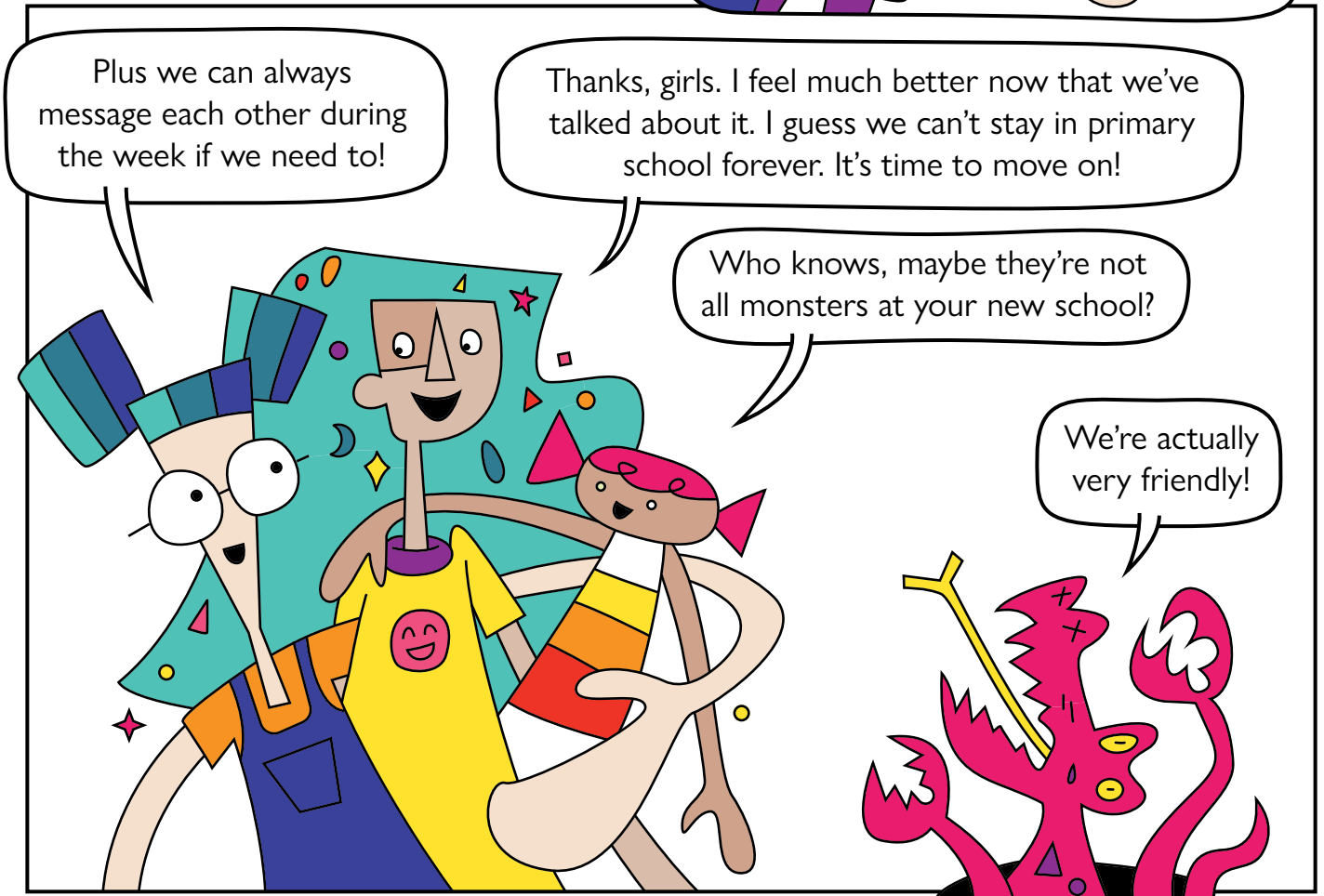
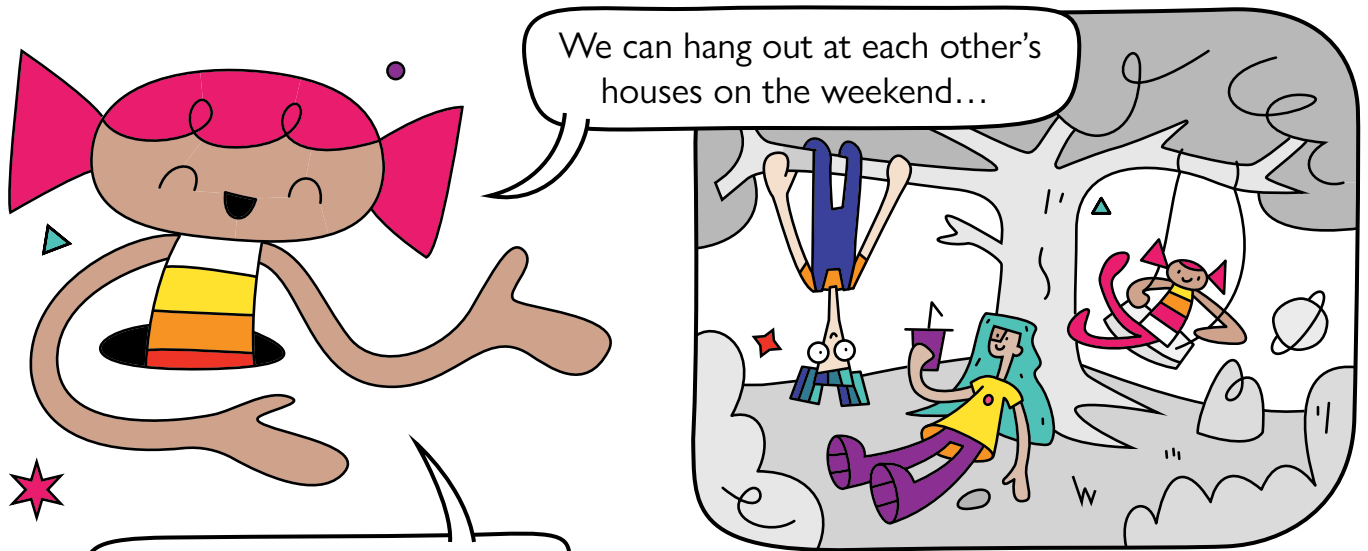
At least you two will have each other. I'll be at a different school where I don't know anyone! I'll probably have to make friends with terrible monsters and you girls will forget all about me.



No, we won't!



We won't see each other at school every day anymore, but that doesn't mean we can't see each other outside of school.





10 EXPECTATIONS FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING

TEACH STARTER

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PIXEL PINKIE

BLUE ROCKET PRODUCTIONS

(Character animation only)

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WHO STOLE THE COOKIE MINI-MYSTERY

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PERSONAL PROJECT

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