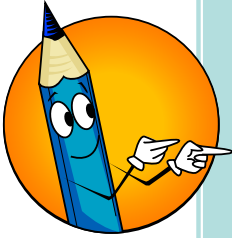


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6. photo _____

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11. bamboo _____

12. piano _____

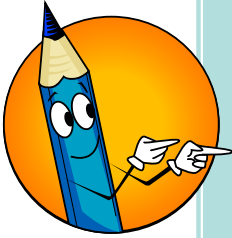
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