

Main Idea Puzzles

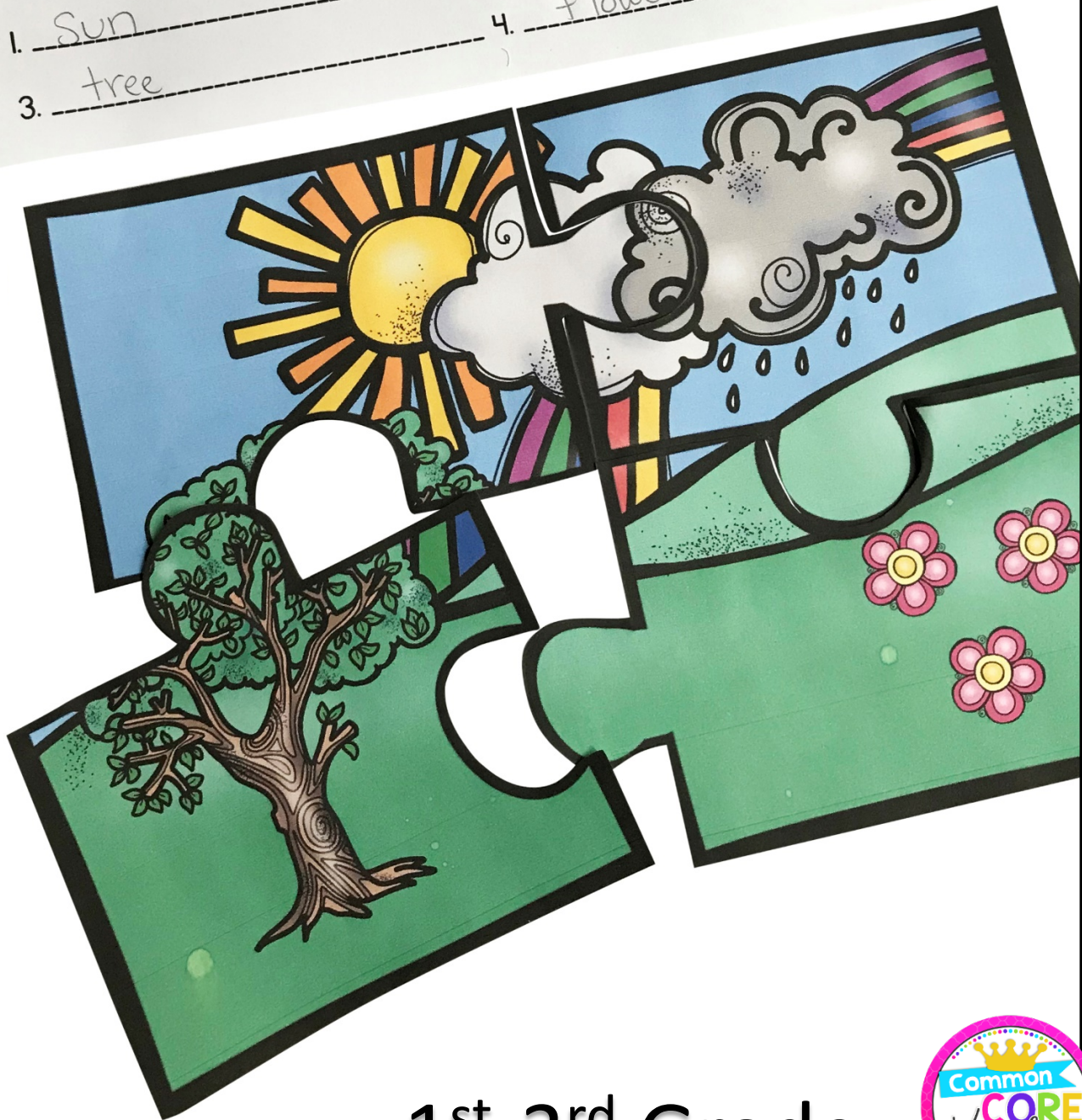
Name: Julie Bachese Date: 12/6

TOPIC: What is the whole puzzle about in 1-2 words? Spring

MAIN IDEA: What is the whole puzzle about in 1 sentence?
Spring is a time for things to grow.

DETAILS: What is each piece of the puzzle showing?

1. Sun
2. rainbow
3. tree
4. flowers



1st-3rd Grade



Directions

1. Print out the main idea puzzles in color or black and white.
2. **Model** how to find the topic, main idea, and details of one puzzle by:
 - Cutting the puzzle pieces apart and showing one piece at a time. As you show each piece, record what the piece is showing (the details).
 - After recording the four details, piece the details together to determine the topic and main idea.
 - Model how to find the topic of the puzzle by asking, "What is the whole puzzle about in 1-2 words?"
 - Model how to find the main idea of the puzzle by asking, "What is the whole puzzle about in 1 sentence?"
3. **Guided Practice:** Complete another puzzle together and have students help you determine the topic, main idea, and details.
4. Have students work in **small groups** or with partners to complete another main idea puzzle. Check students work. Students who successfully complete the main idea puzzle with partners are ready to try **independently**. Reteach groups of students who need more support.

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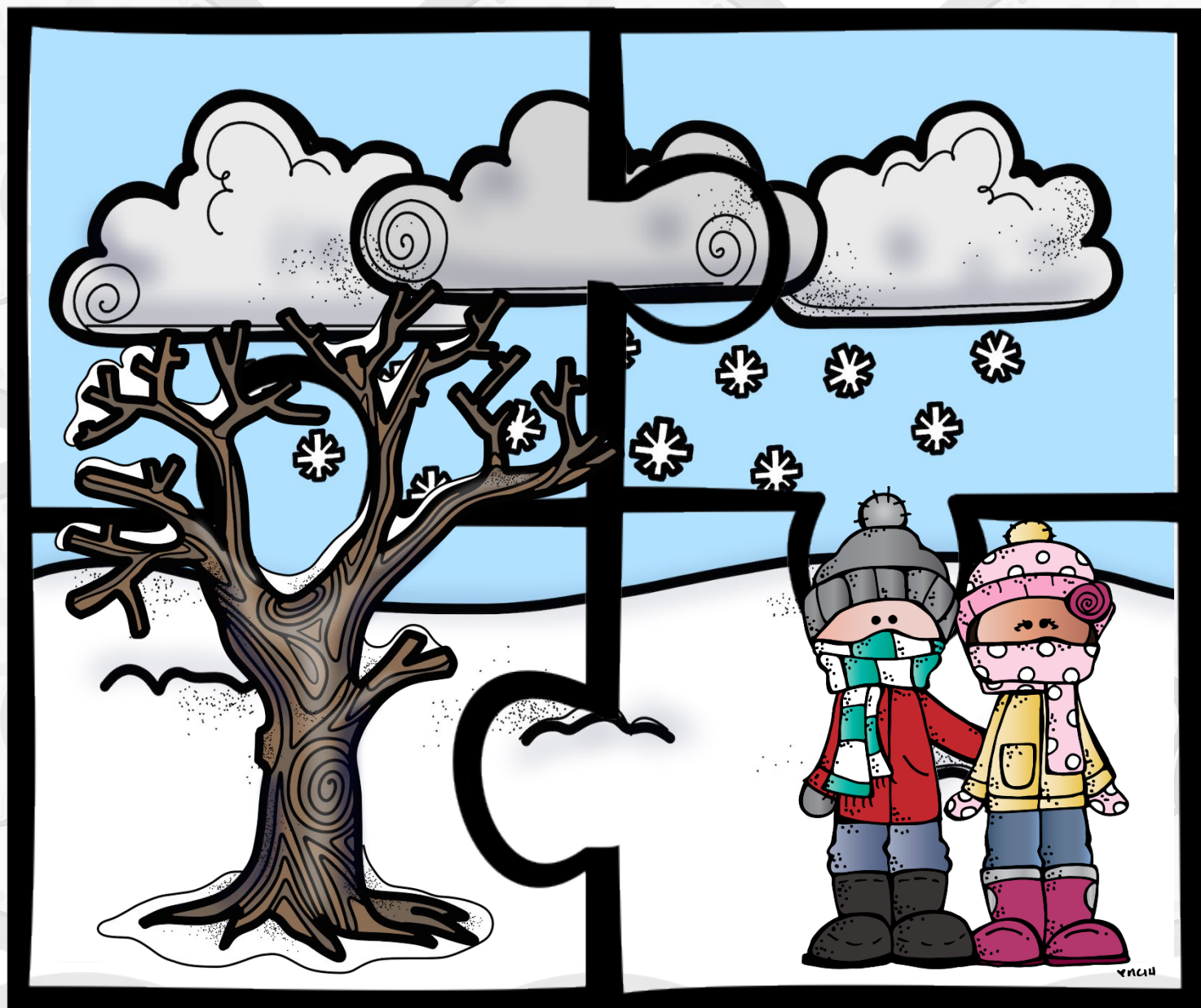
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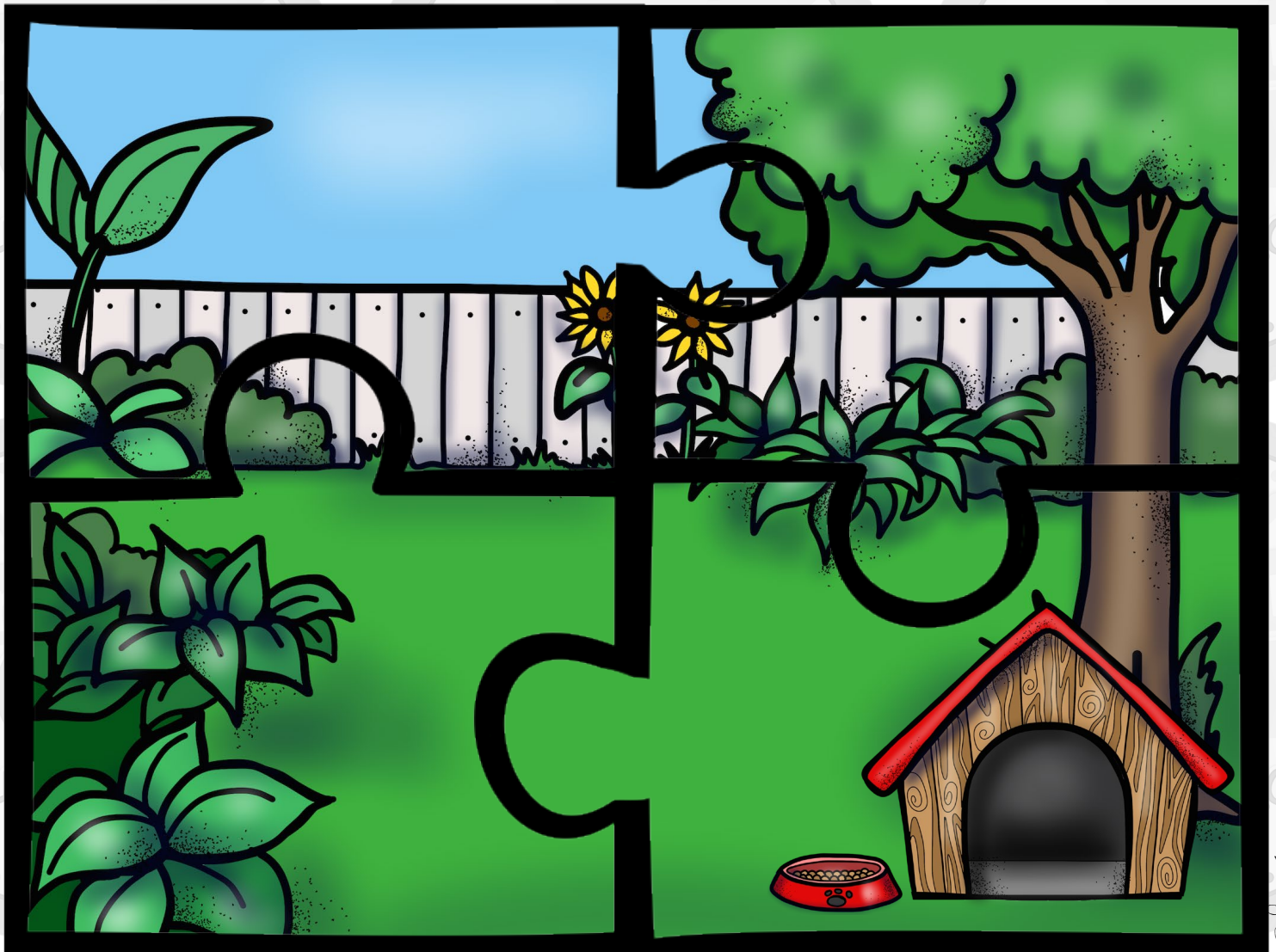
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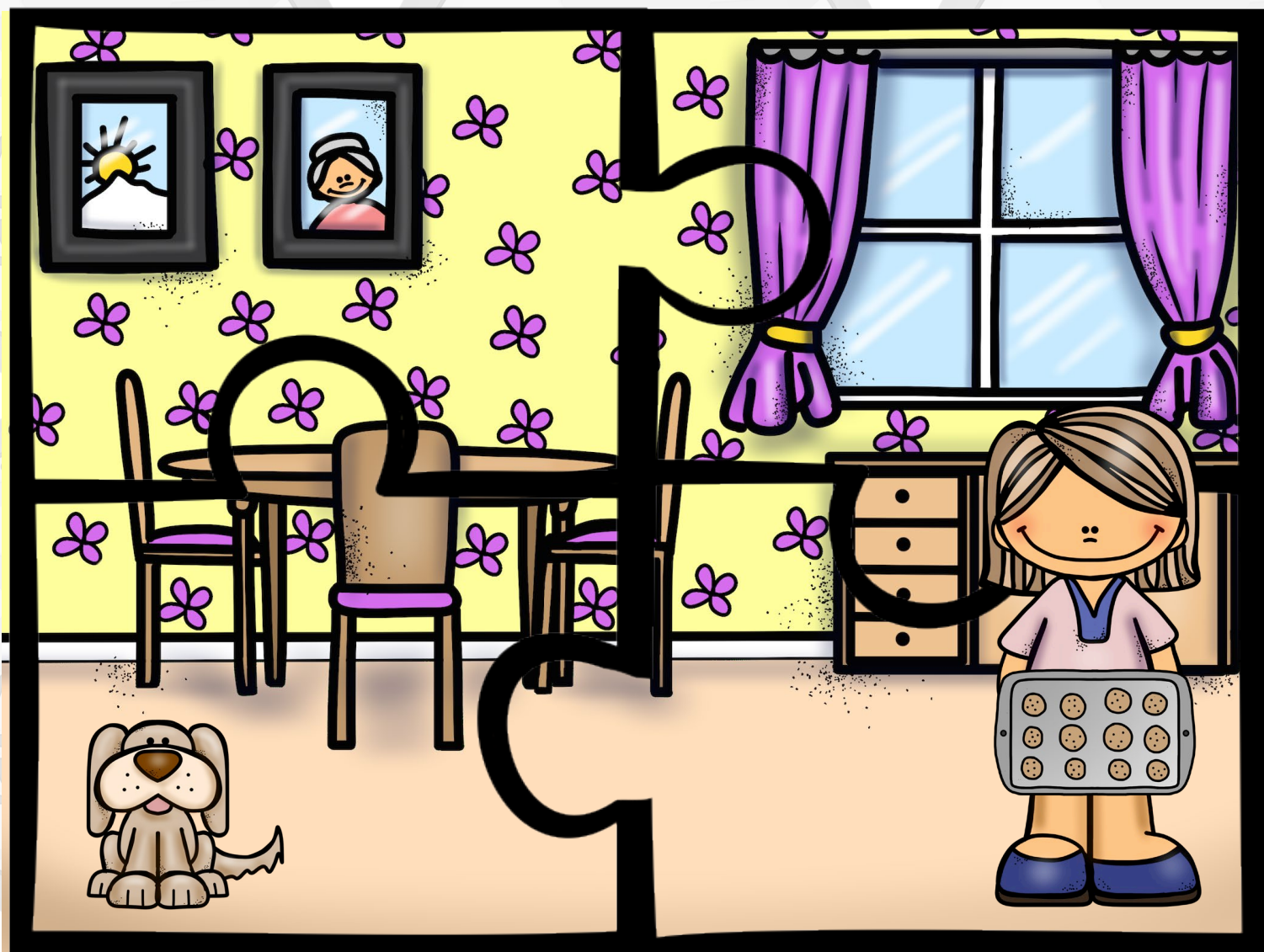
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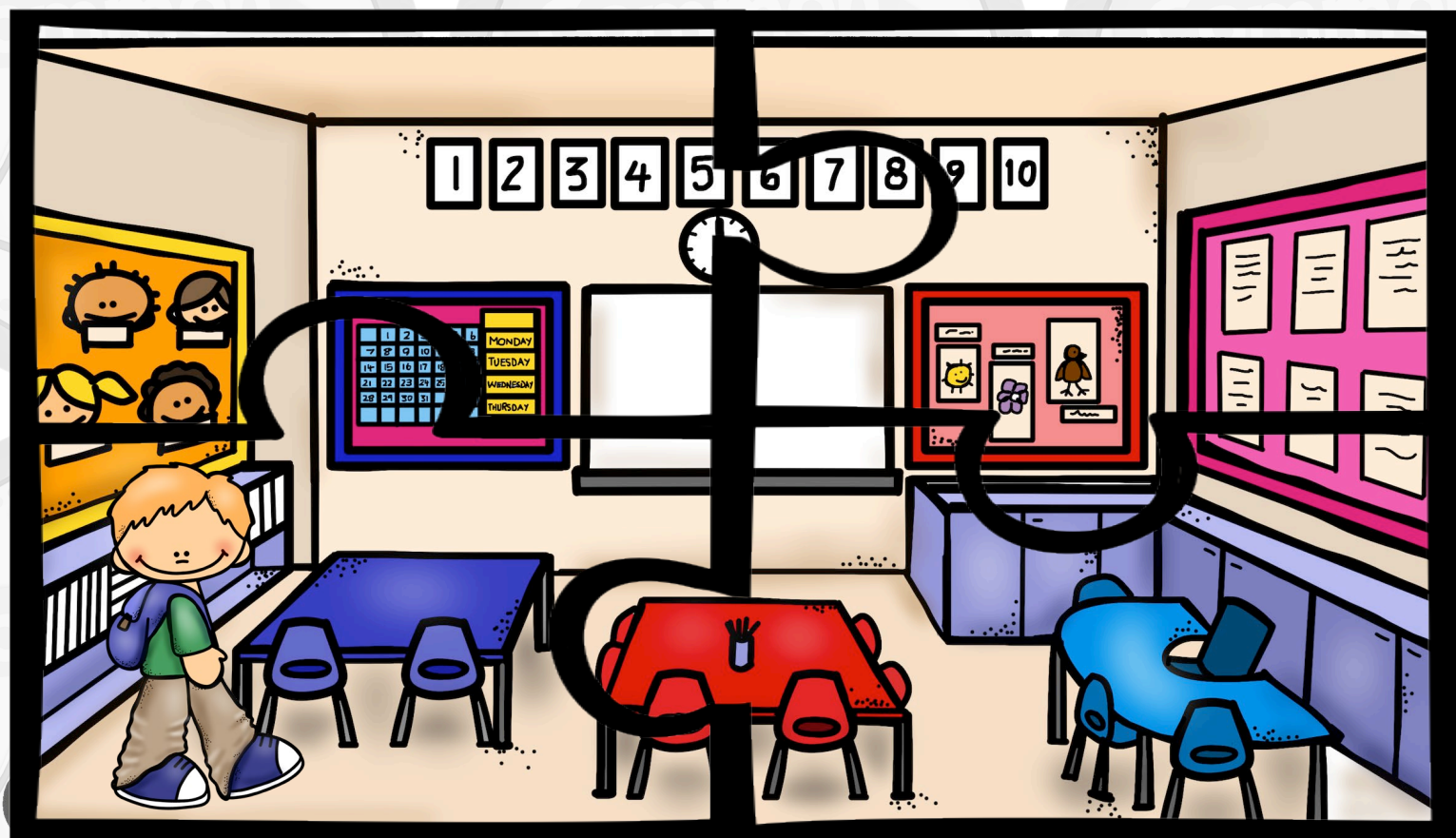
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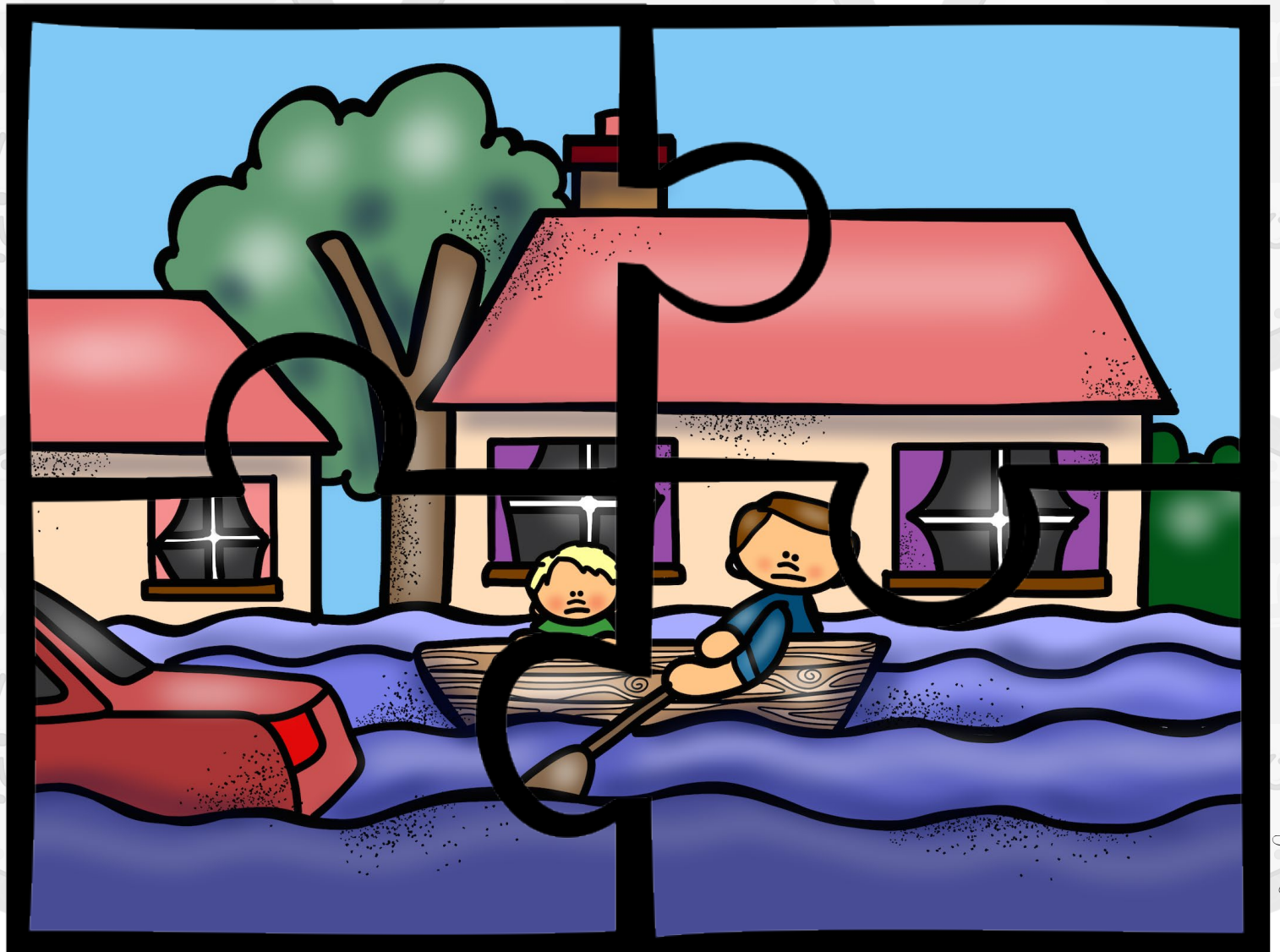
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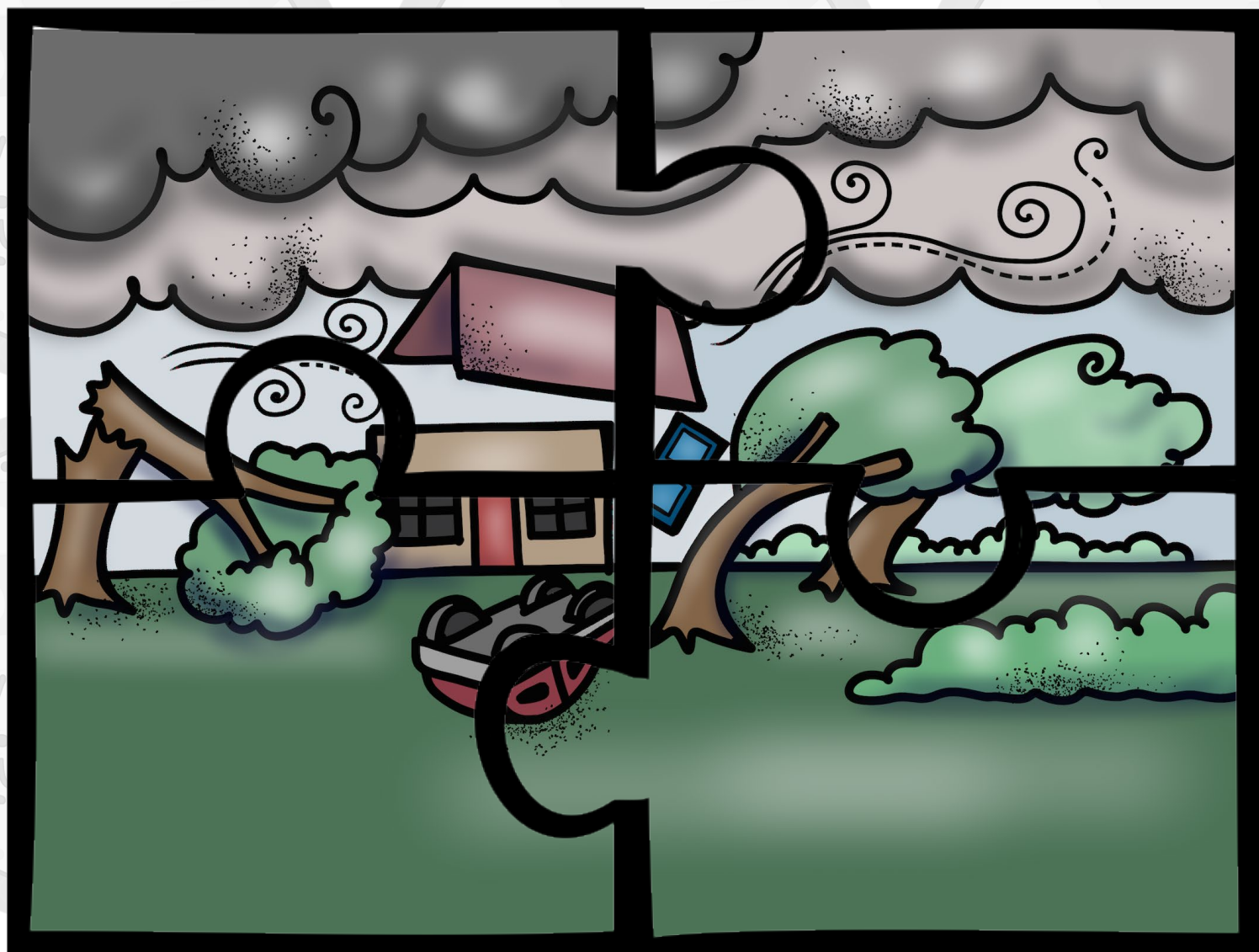
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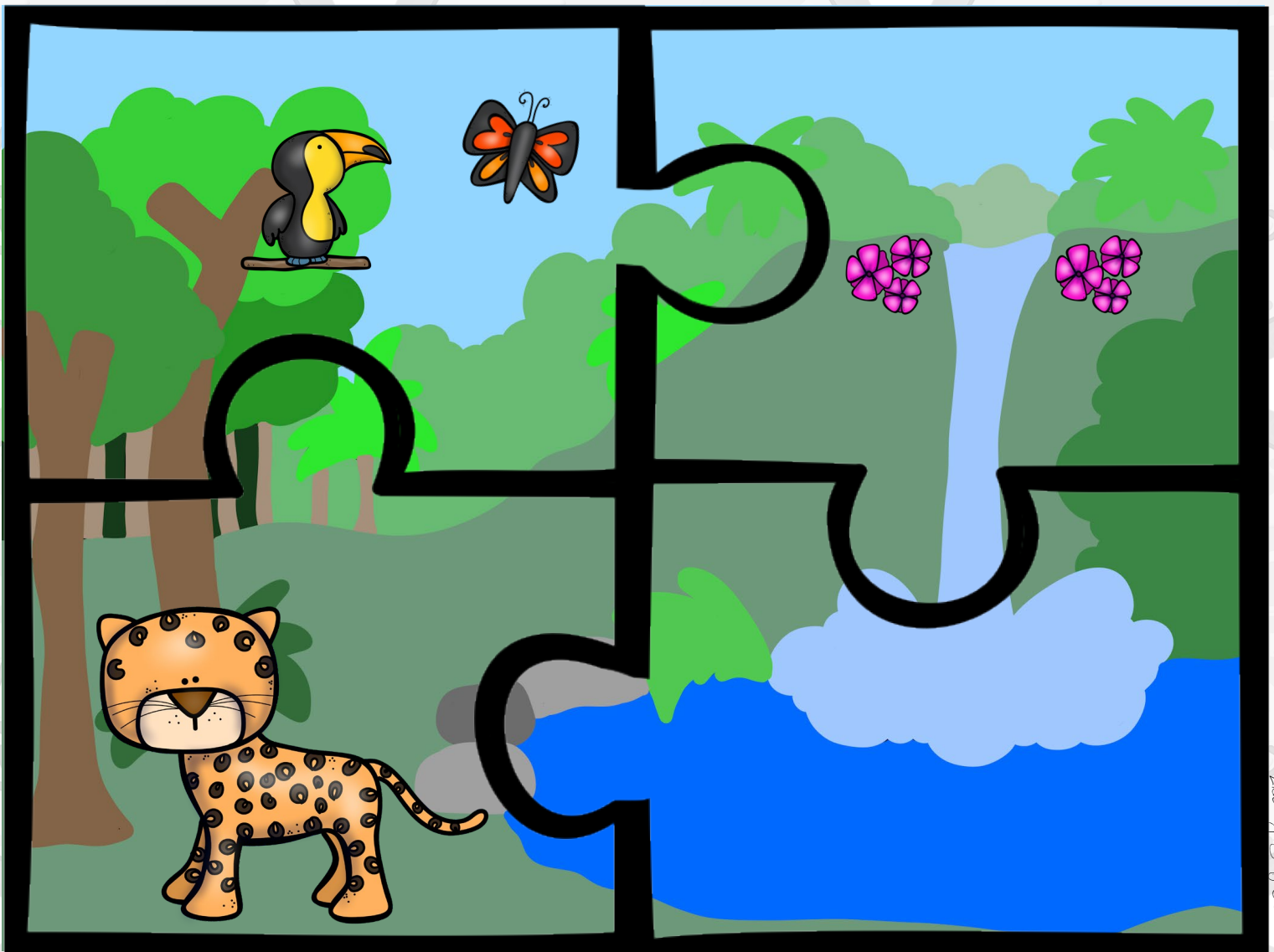
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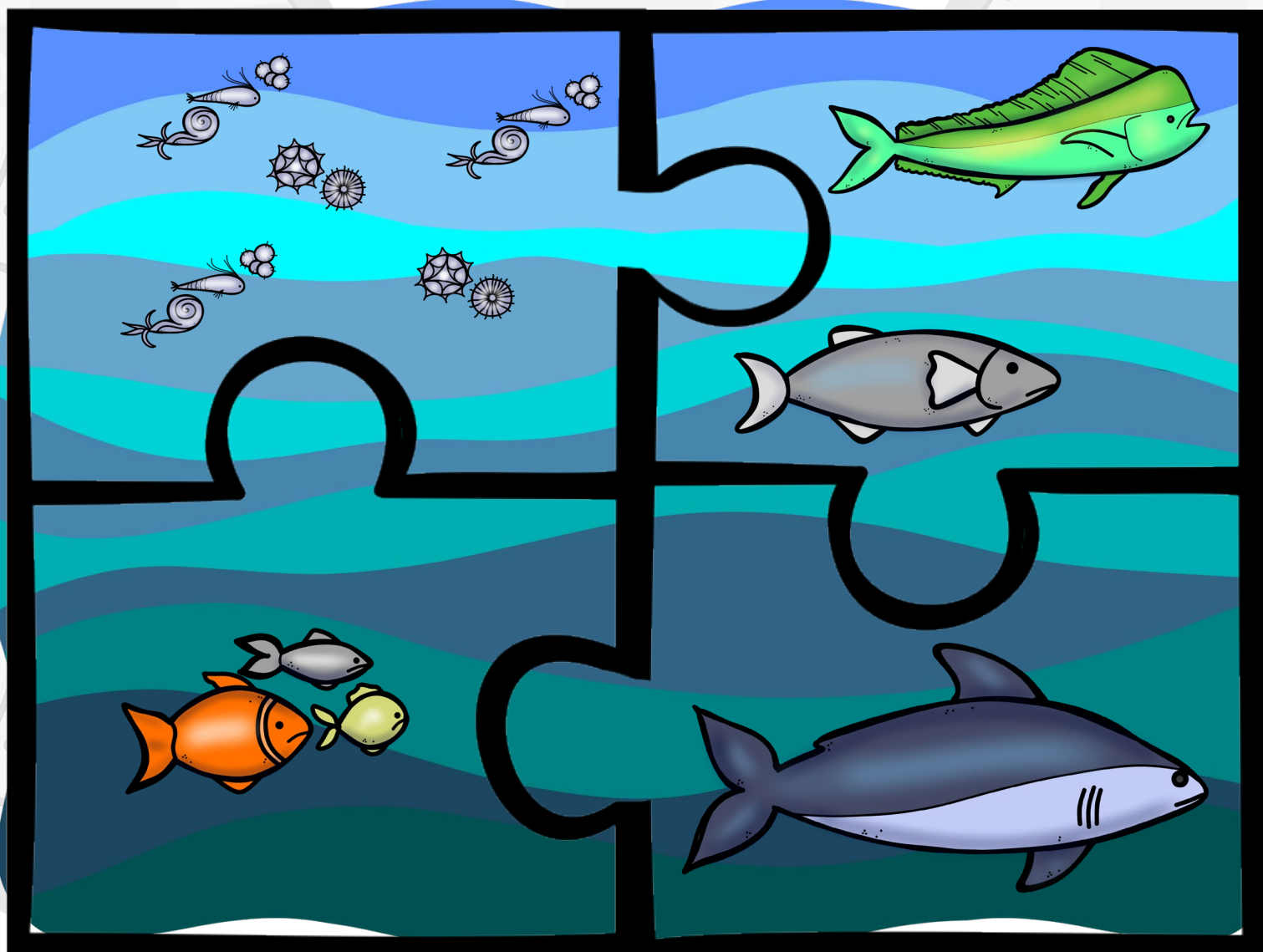
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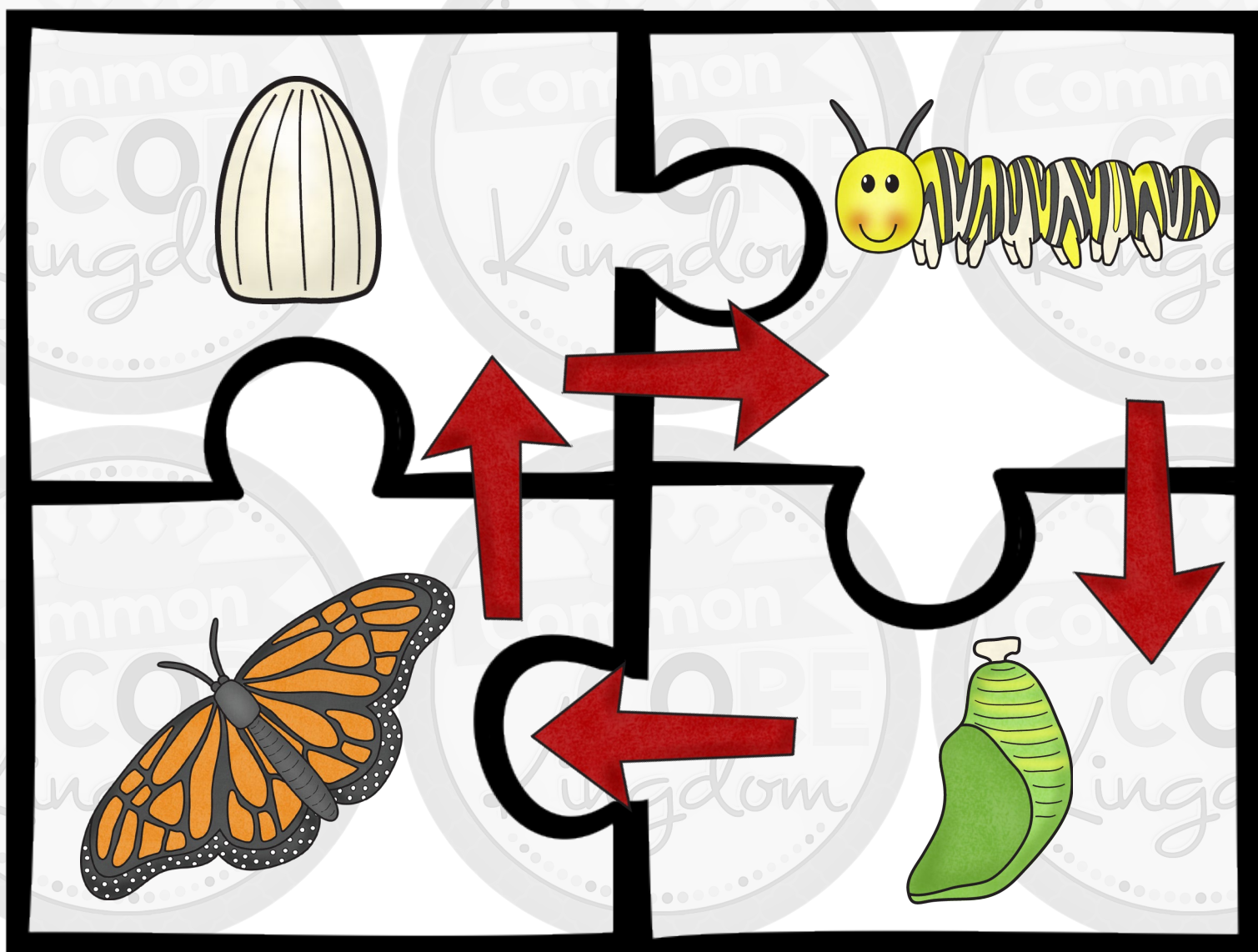


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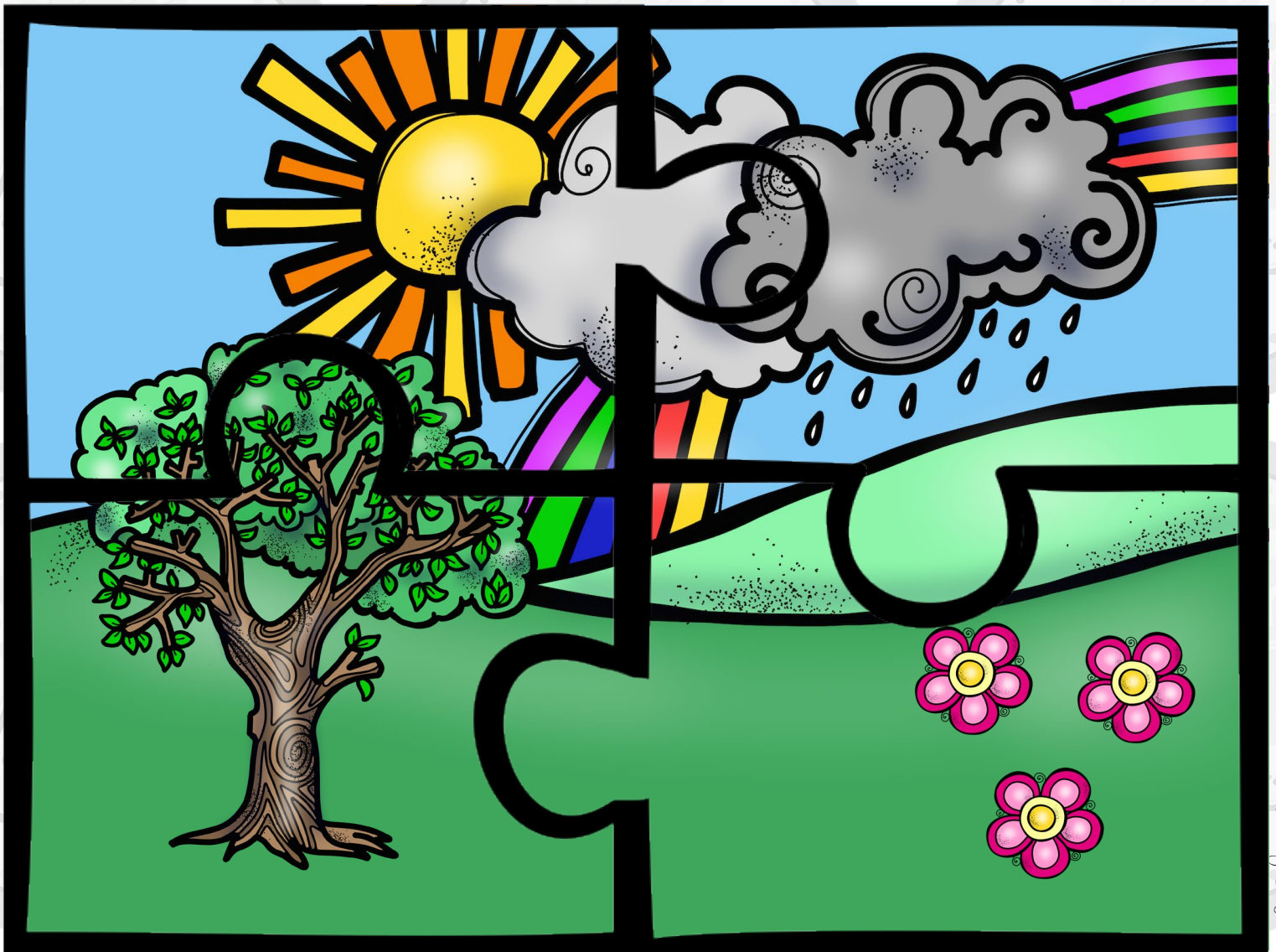
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