



Rosa Parks

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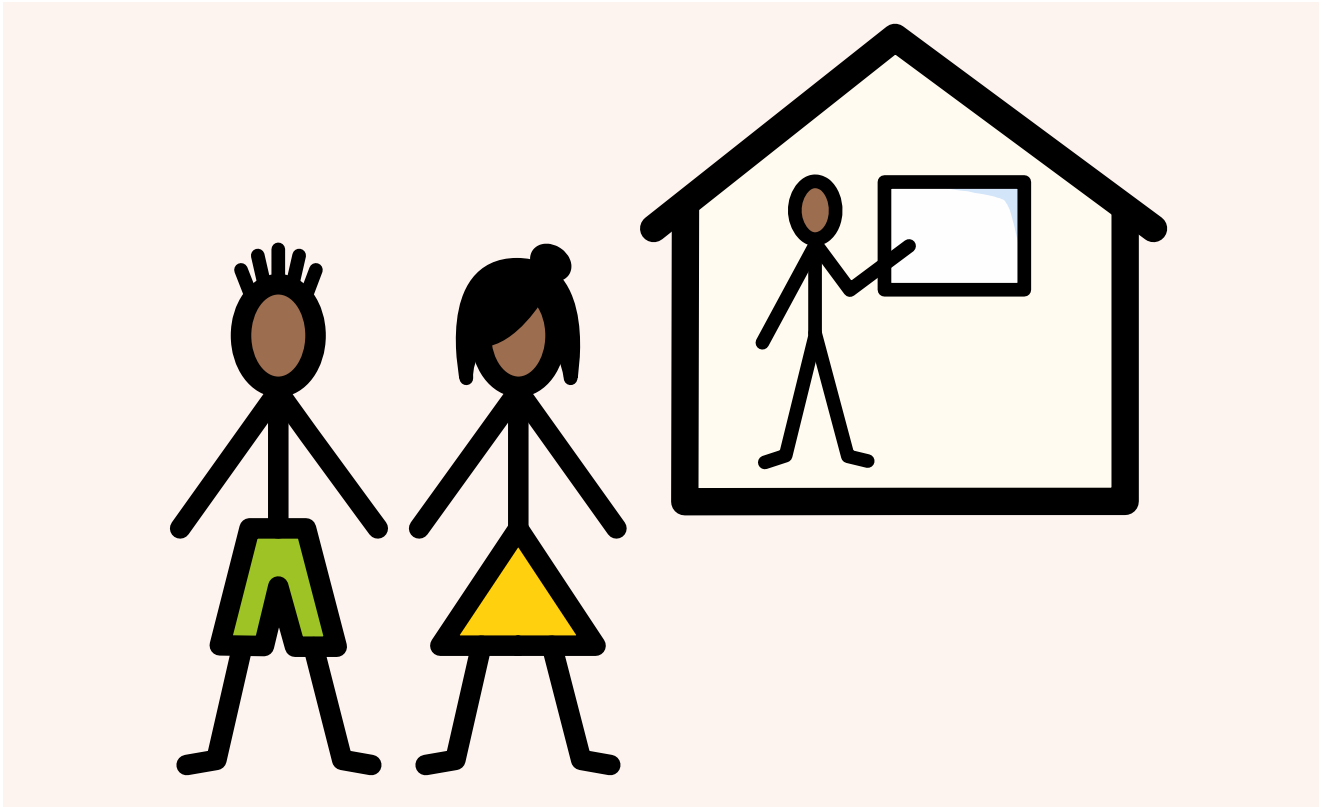


Rosa Parks was born in Alabama, USA in 1913.

Her mother was a teacher and her father a carpenter.

Rosa's parents separated when she was a child.

She moved to live on a farm with her grandparents.

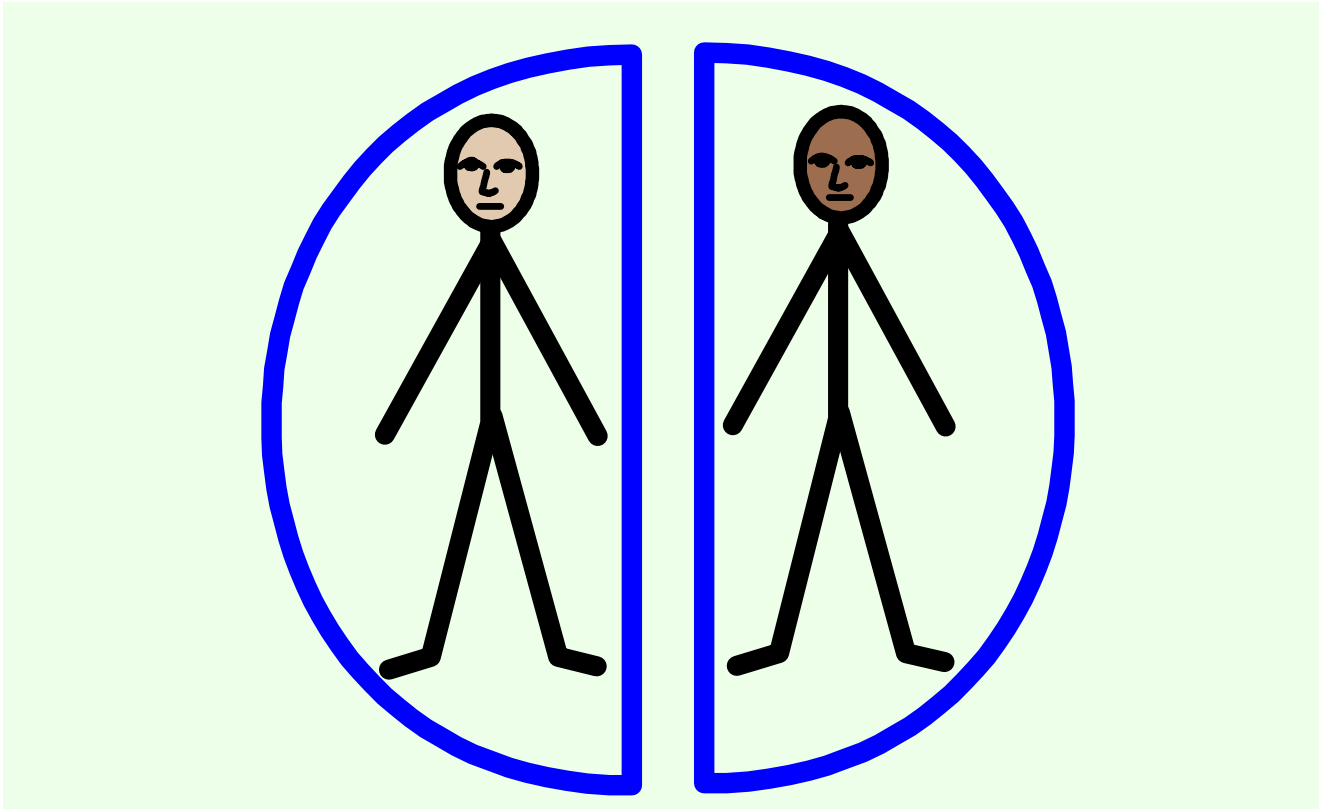


Rosa went to a secondary school for black children.

The white children went to school on buses.

Black children had to walk to school.

Rosa realised life was different for black children.

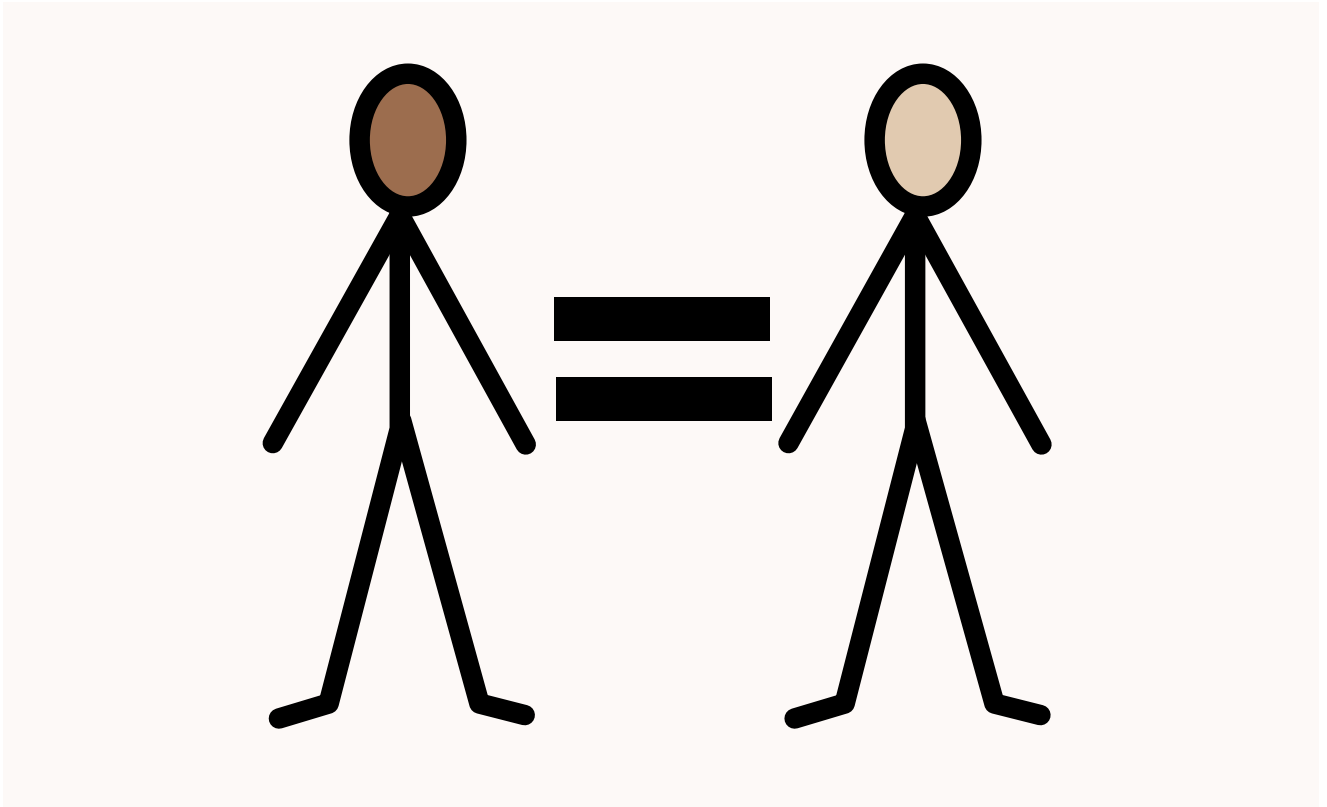


At that time in America there was segregation.

Black people were kept apart from white people.

Black people had separate schools and churches.

They had to sit at the back on buses and trains.

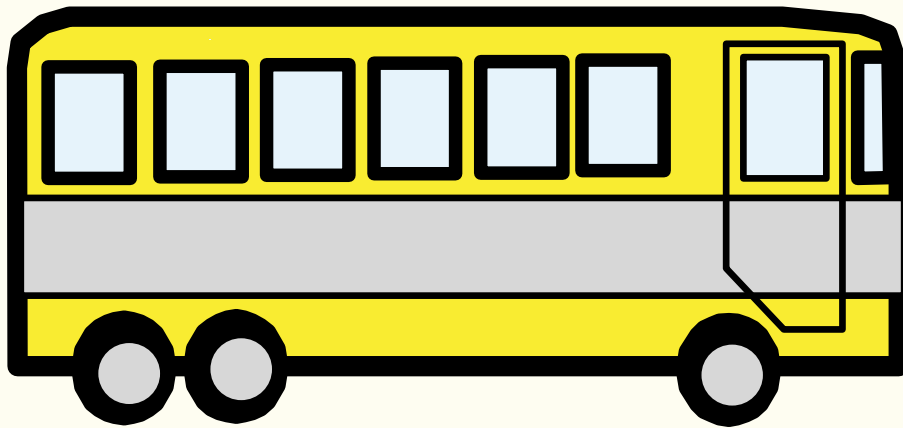


When she grew up Rosa wanted things to change.

She joined a group fighting for equal rights.

They were angry black people were treated differently.

They wanted all people to be treated the same.



One day Rosa was on a bus going home from work.

Black people had to sit at the back of the bus.

A white person got on but there were no seats.

They wanted Rosa to give them her seat.

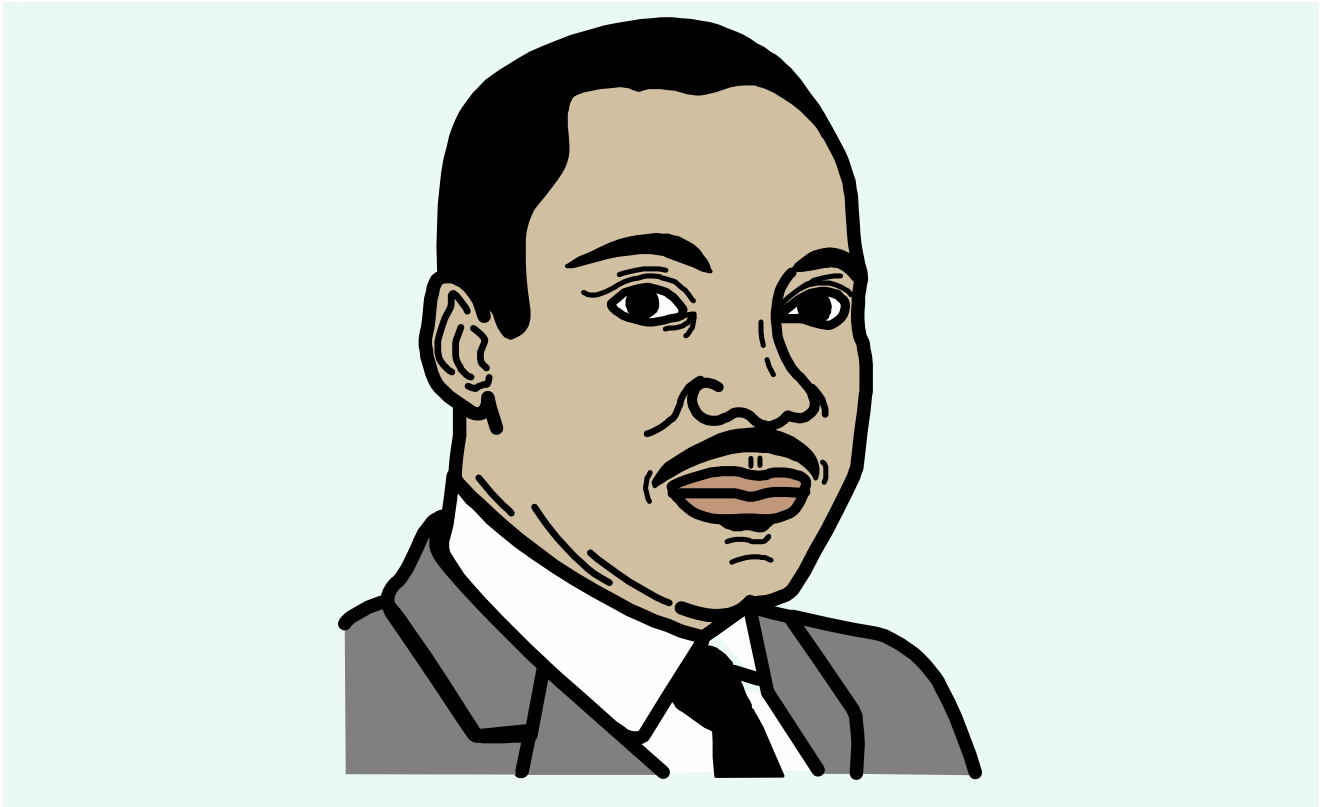


The bus driver told Rosa to move.

Rosa refused to get up.

The bus driver called the police to arrest her.

Rosa was put in jail until the next day.

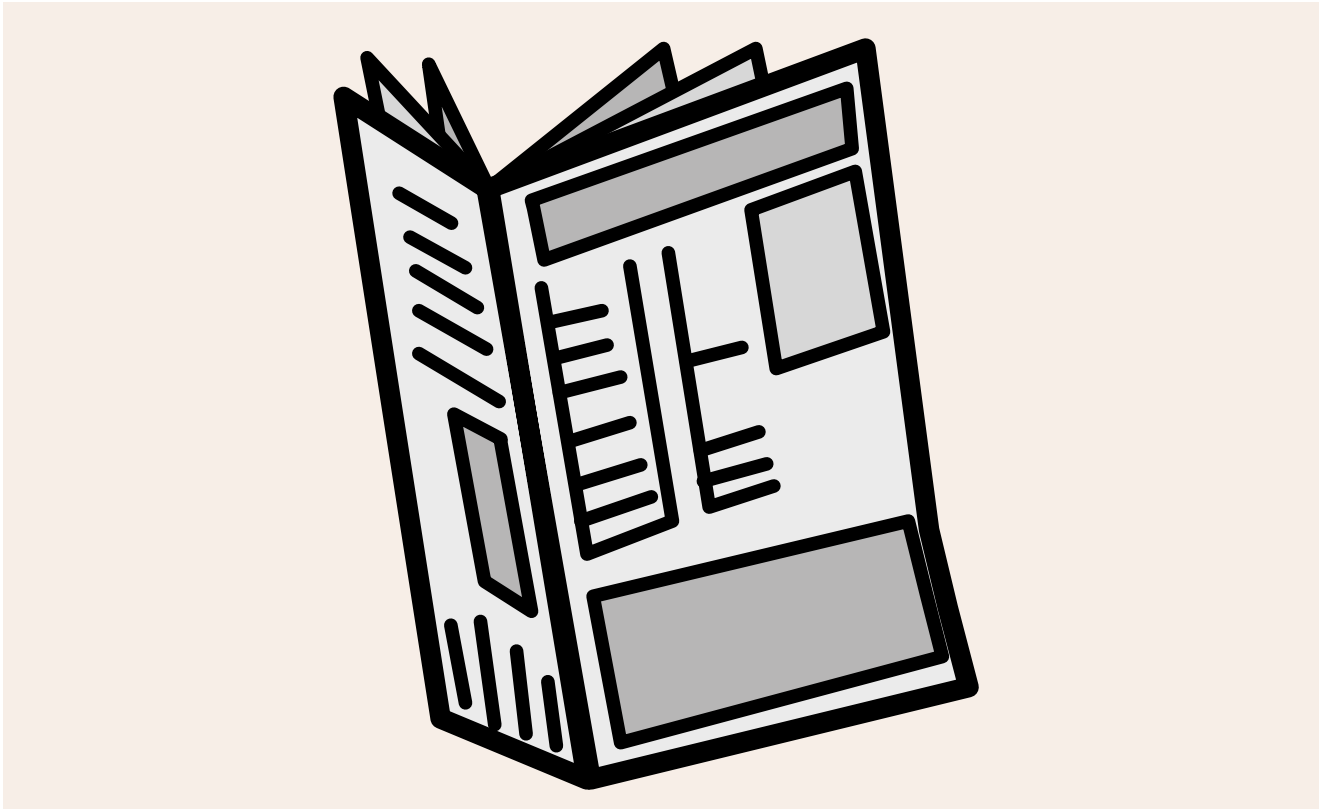


Rosa's friends asked people to stop using the buses.

A bus protest was organised by Martin Luther King.

He told people they had the right to protest.

People walked to work instead of going by bus.

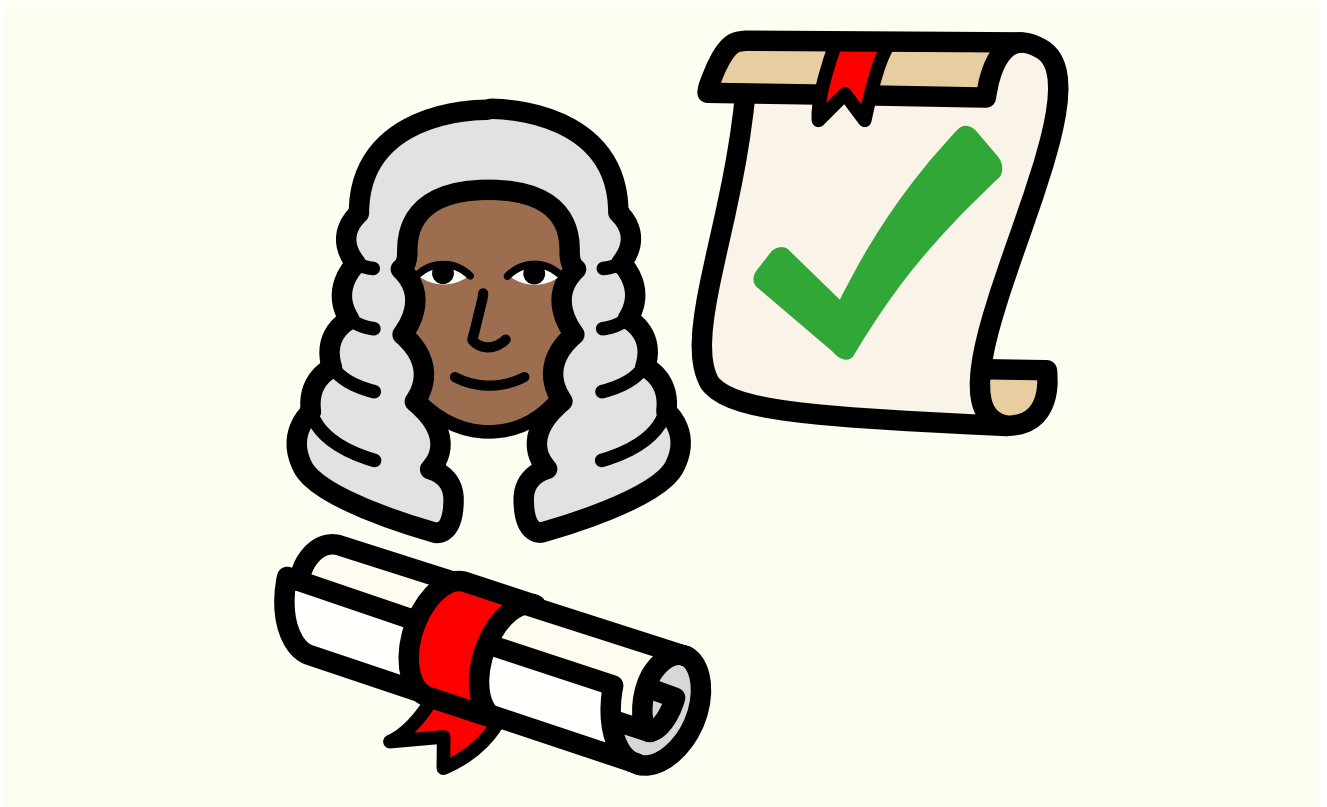


The bus company lost lots of money.

The newspapers reported what had happened.

After a year Martin Luther King and Rosa won.

The rules were changed on buses in Alabama.



Rosa continued fighting for equal rights.

The US law was changed in 1964.

It was nine years after Rosa made her protest.

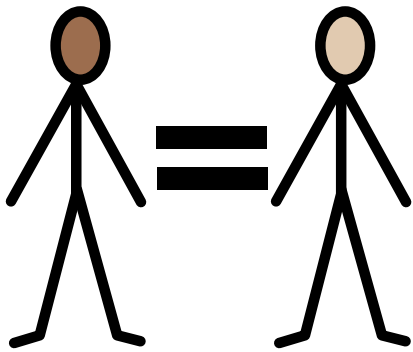
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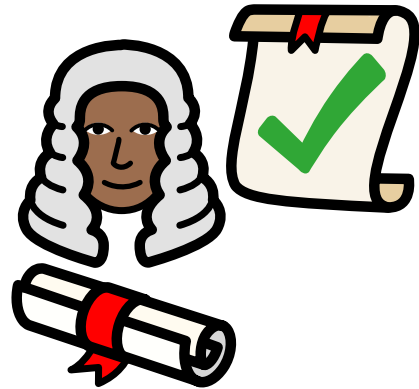
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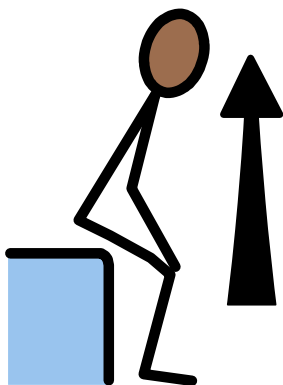
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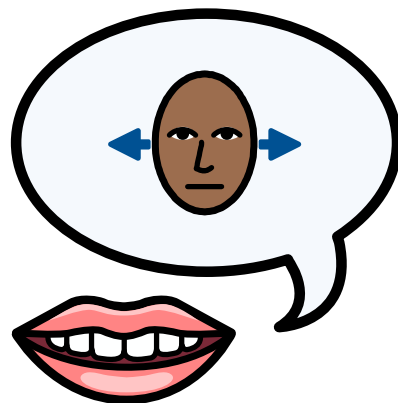
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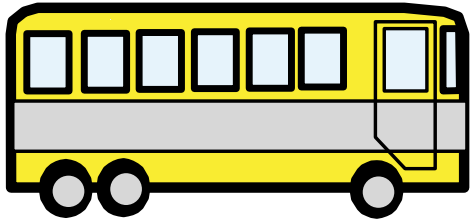
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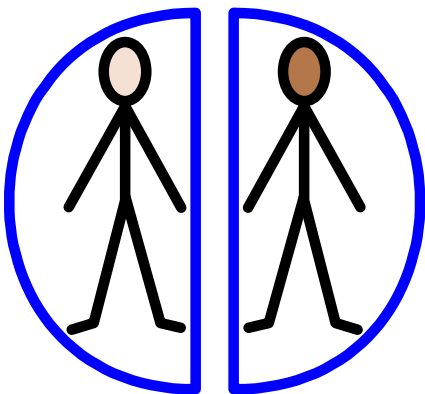
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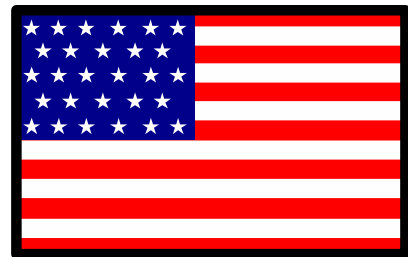
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