Word of the Day

Autumn Term 2026

Week 13 – 30th November 2026





'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

secret

path

gate

flower

insect

Shinobi

transparent

predict

contrast

previous

patience

VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

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Shinobi (Tier 2)

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VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper Word of the Day

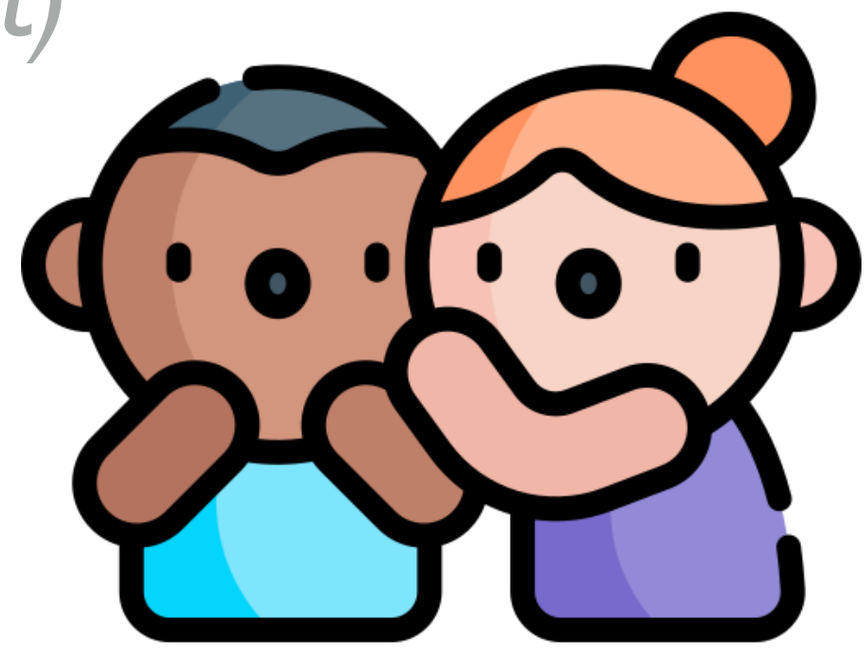
Word of the Day: secret

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(se-cret)

Definition:

A secret is a fact that is known by only a small number of people, and is not told to anyone else.



Alice told Freddie that it was a **secret**.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
untold	known		plan
unknown			code

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

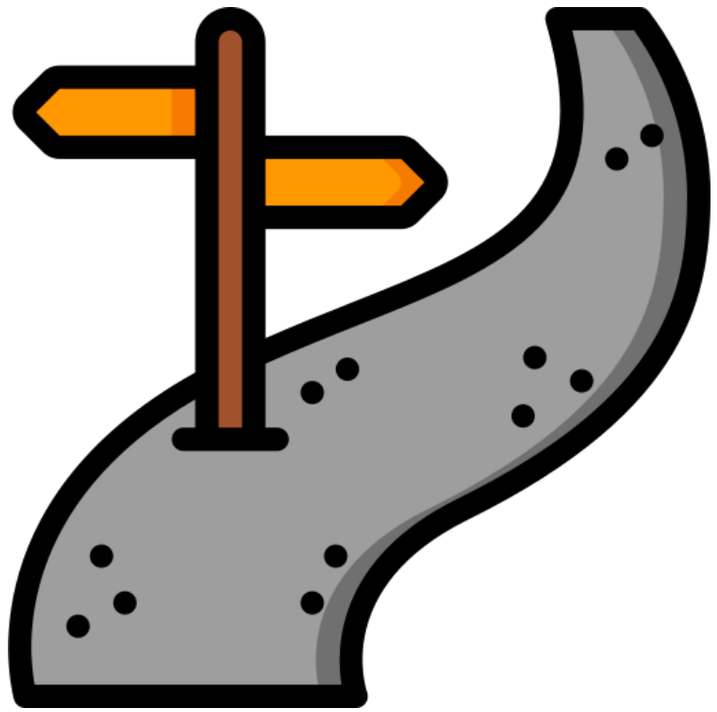
path

(path)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Word Class

(noun)



Definition:

A path is a long strip of ground which people walk along to get from one place to another.

We followed the **path** to the forest school garden.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
track		bath	gravel
trail		math	tarmac

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

gate

Pronunciation / Syllables

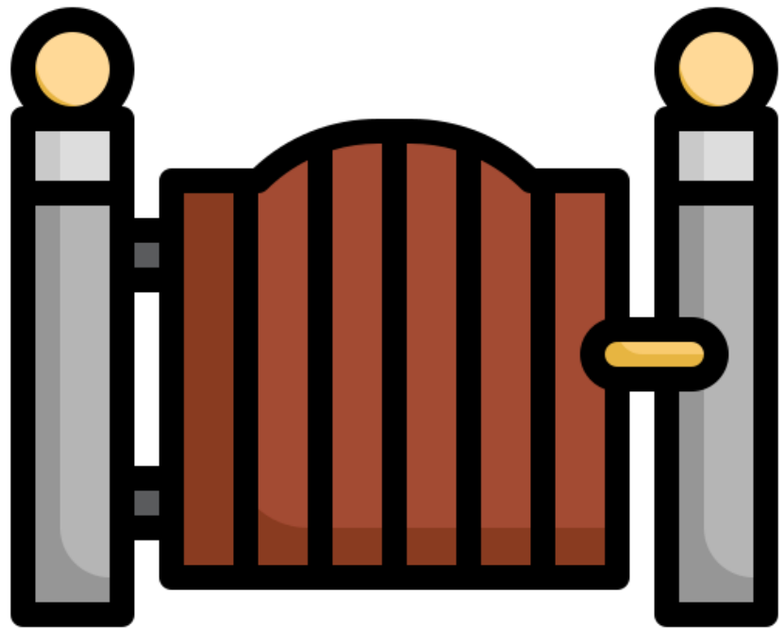
(gate)

Word Class

(noun)

Definition:

A gate is a structure like a door which is used at the entrance to a field, a garden, or the grounds of a building.



The **gate** was locked and we needed a key to open it.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
barrier		fate	open
		late	close

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: flower

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(flow-er)



Definition:

A flower is the part of a plant which is often brightly coloured, grows at the end of a stem, and only survives for a short time.

There were no **flowers** growing during the colder months.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
bloom		power	grow
		shower	brighten

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: insect

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(in-sect)



Definition:

An insect is a small animal that has six legs. Most insects have wings. Ants, flies, butterflies, and beetles are all insects.

We watched **insects** eating the juicy leaves.

Synonym:

Antonym:

Rhyme:

Link Word:

scurry

fly

Shinobi Word of the Day

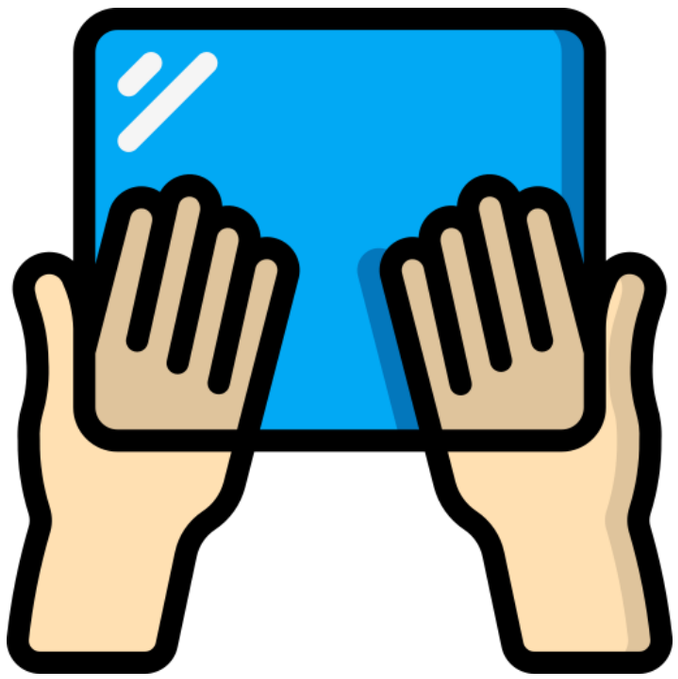
Word of the Day: transparent

Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables *(trans-par-ent)*

Definition:

If an object or substance is transparent, you can see through it.



The objective of the lesson was **transparent** to everyone.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
clear	obscure	-rency	apparent	clarity
obvious	ambiguous		parent	vision

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: predict

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(pre-dict)



Definition:

If you predict something, you say that something will will happen, usually based on information you already have.

Class 4 made **predictions** about what would happen next.

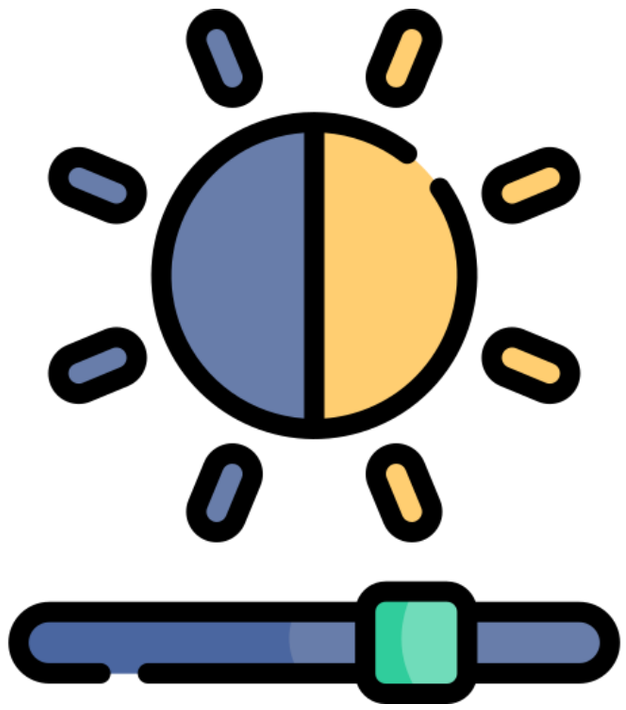
Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
forecast		-tion	conflict	future
speculate		-ed	strict	next

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: contrast

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(con-trast)



Definition:

If one thing is a contrast to another, it is very different from it.

There was a **contrast** in handwriting between classes.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
difference	similarity	-ing	contract	between
		-ed		levels

Shinobi Word of the Day

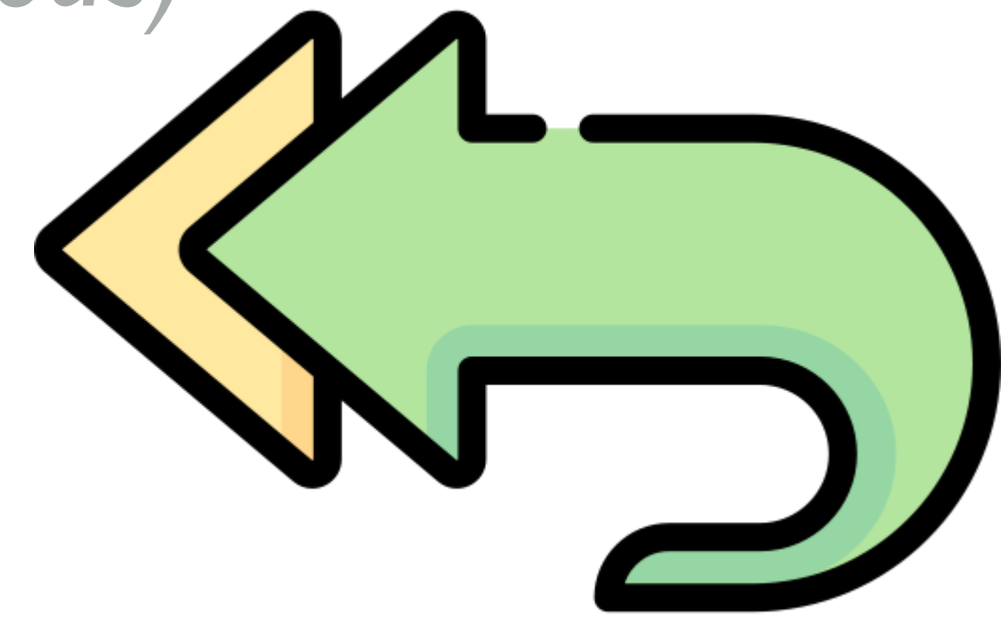
Word of the Day: previous

Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(pre-vi-ous)

Definition:

A previous event or thing is one that happened or existed before the one that you are talking about.



Mr Hinds used a **previous** example to show us what to do.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
old	following	-ly	devious	example
earlier	next		tedious	person

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: patience

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(pa-tience)



Definition:

If you have patience, you are able to stay calm and not get annoyed, for example when something takes a long time, or when someone is not doing what you want them to do.

We needed to show **patience** and wait.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix	Rhyme:	Link Word:
tolerance	impatience	im-	impatience	show
composure				time

Vocabulary Laboratory

Describe / Definition:

Use it in a sentence:

Focus Word (write below):

Word Class:

Synonyms: (words with same / similar meaning)	Antonyms: (words with opposite meaning)
Rhymes: (words that sound the same)	**Link Words:** (Example: football = pitch, team, player)

Draw your sentence:

Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Grasshopper** words and bring them to life.



Word: secret	Word: path
Word: gate	**Word: insect**

Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Shinobi** words and bring them to life.

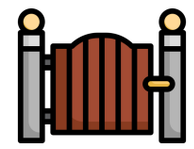


Word: transparent	Word: predict
Word: contrast	**Word: patience**

Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Grasshopper** words to their definitions.

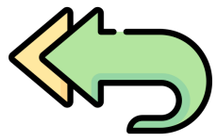
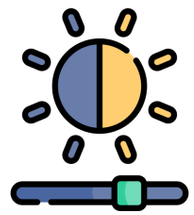


Grasshopper Word	Grasshopper Definitions	
secret	A *** is a structure like a door which is used at the entrance to a field, a garden, or the grounds of a building.	
path	A *** is a fact that is known by only a small number of people, and is not told to anyone else.	
gate	A *** is the part of a plant which is often brightly coloured, grows at the end of a stem, and only survives for a short time.	
flower	An *** is a small animal that has six legs. Most *** have wings. Ants, flies, butterflies, and beetles are all insects.	
insect	A *** is a long strip of ground which people walk along to get from one place to another.	

Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Shinobi** words to their definitions.



Shinobi Word	Shinobi Definitions	
transparent	If you *** something, you say that something will will happen, usually based on information you already have.	
predict	If an object or substance is ***, you can see through it.	
contrast	A *** event or thing is one that happened or existed before the one that you are talking about.	
previous	If you have ***, you are able to stay calm and not get annoyed, for example when something takes a long time, or when someone is not doing what you want them to do.	
patience	If one thing is a *** to another, it is very different from it.	





Display Slips

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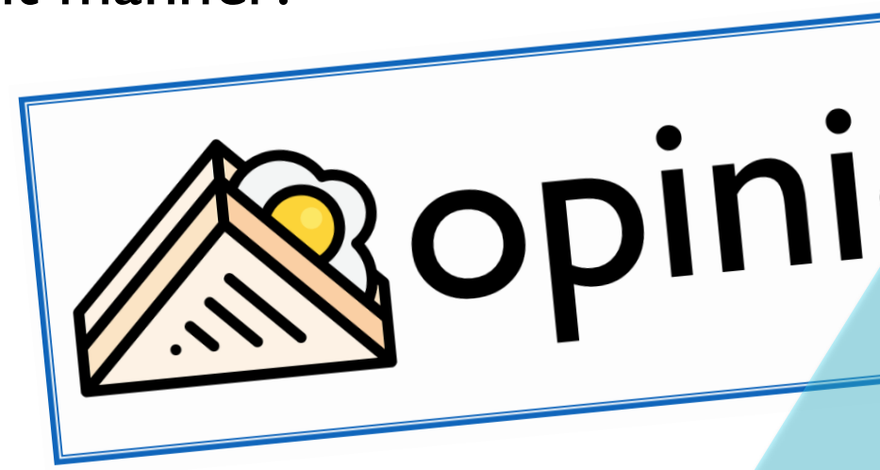



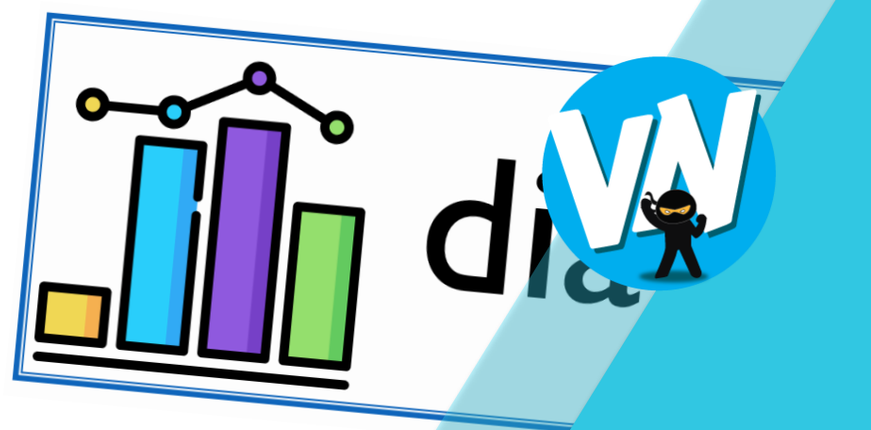

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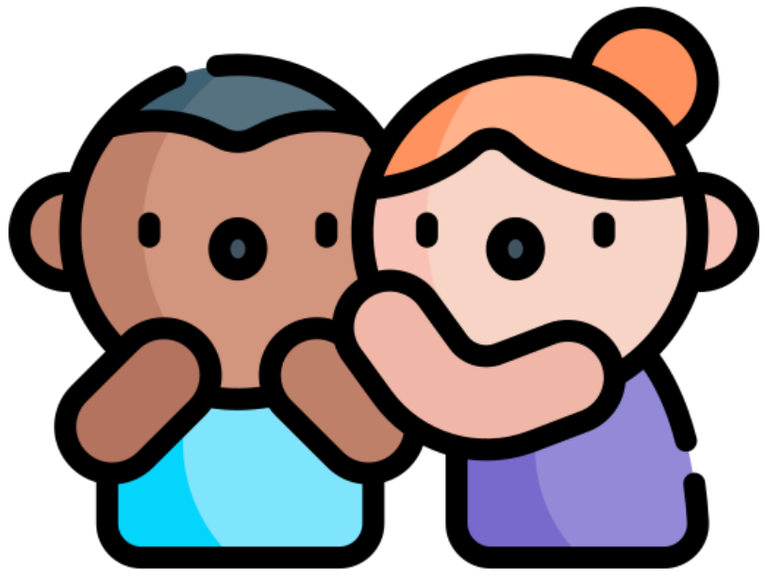
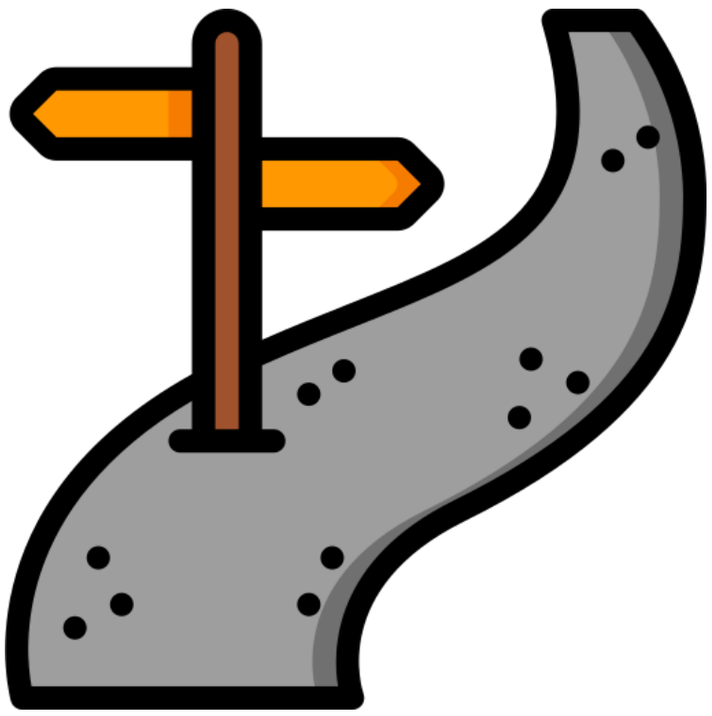
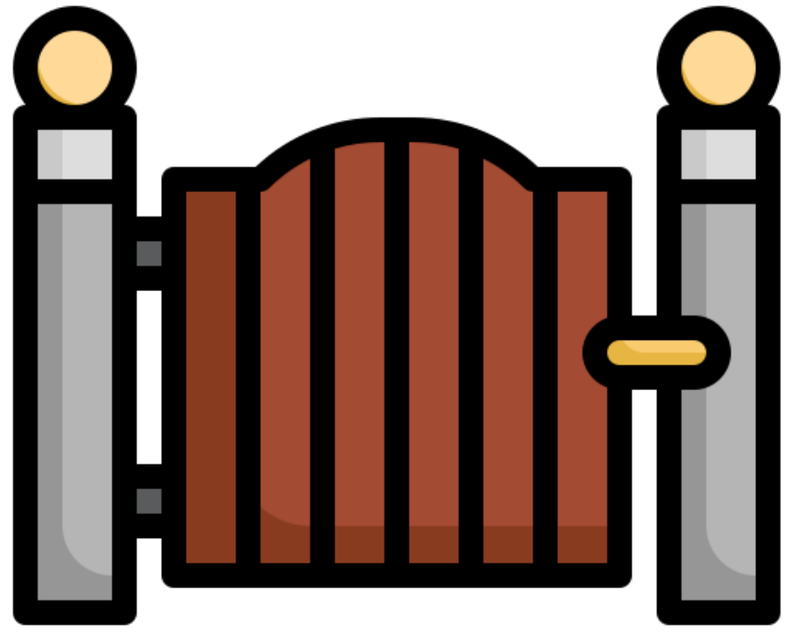




path

gate

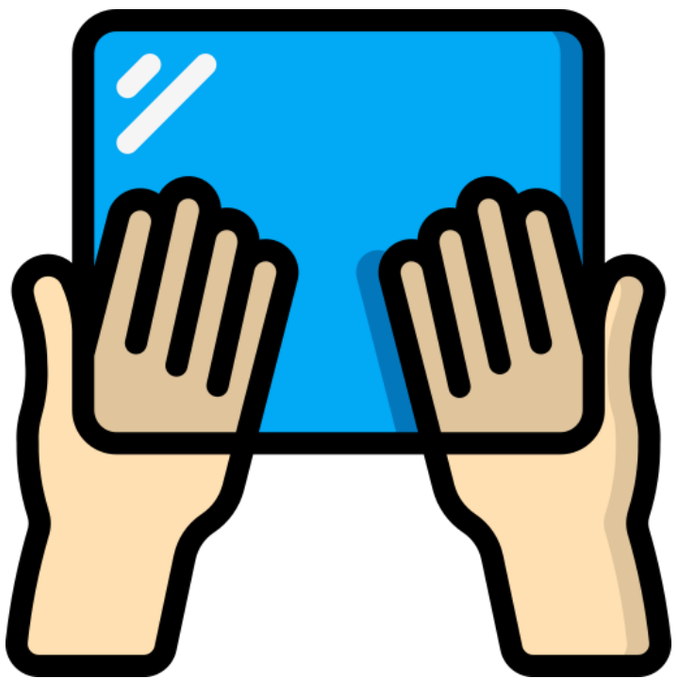




flower

insect

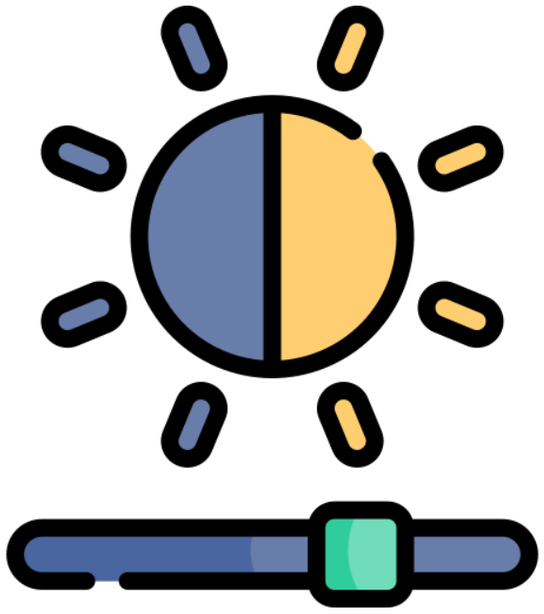




transparent

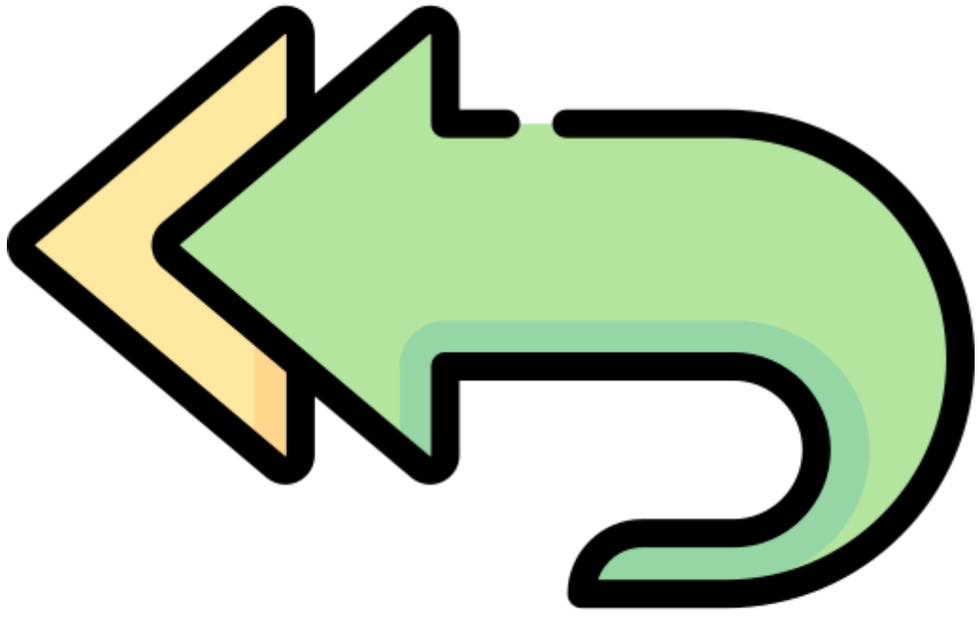
predict





contrast

previous





patience