

What's happening in the news this week?



5th – 11th February 2024



**What are you
interested in?**



This week's story looks at events related to ...





Teacher Guide



What's going on this week?

45-year-old Mar Galcerán from Spain has become the country's first elected parliamentarian with Down's syndrome. Maria del Mar Galcerán Gadea is thought to be the first person with the genetic disorder to join a European regional or national parliament. She has been involved with politics since she was 18, when she joined Spain's conservative People's Party. Speaking to the media, Mar Galcerán said she wants to be seen as a person, and not for her disability.

This week's news story

<https://bit.ly/3vIk1DT>

This week's useful video

Mar Galcerán makes history

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EqvU_ezgaUU

Teaching Tips and Ideas

Starting your Picture News Symbols lesson

- Start by looking at the poster, talk through what the children can see, what they like or dislike about the picture and what they think the story might be about.
- Talk through what is happening in this week's story. Use the questions to encourage children to share their thoughts on what politics is and whether or not it is something that interests them.
- Use the emotions page to discuss how the story makes them feel.

Taking the lesson further

- This week's picture resource shows some different things people might be interested in.
- Ask the children to share their interests and how that interest could help them decide on a job in the future.

This week's sensory ideas

- Hold a class vote for something such as a class reward or a class story.
- Play a game of 'follow my leader' encouraging the children to take it in turns to be the leader.



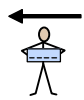
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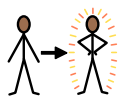
Mar Galcerán has a condition called Down's syndrome.



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She has just become the first person with Down's syndrome to be elected in Spain's parliament.



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Mar Galcerán loves politics and has worked hard to achieve her dream job.



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What are your thoughts on this week's story?



Let's



think!



What



do you



know

about



politics



and



parliament?



Do you



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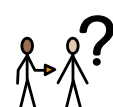
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Why?



Are you



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in



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Do you

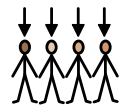


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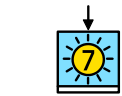


Emotions

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How

does



this week's



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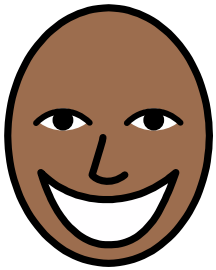
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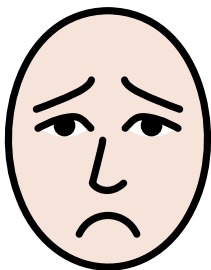
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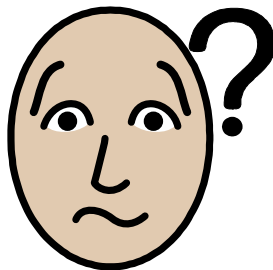
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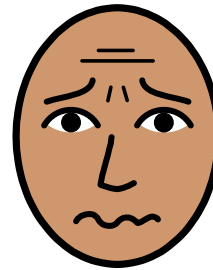
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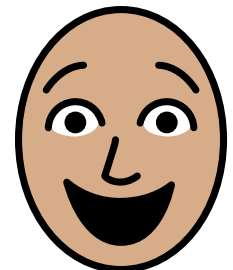
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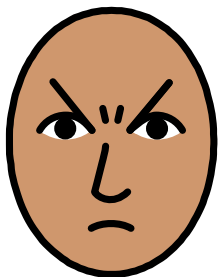
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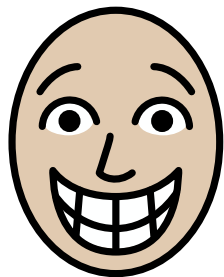
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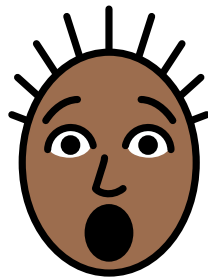
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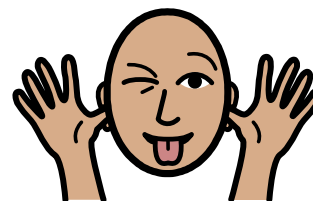
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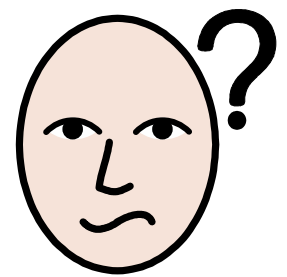
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scared



silly



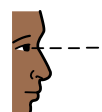
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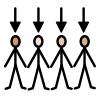
Taking it further...



Let's



look!



Everyone

has



different



likes

and



dislikes.



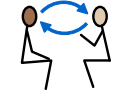
Look at

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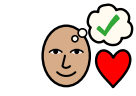
discuss



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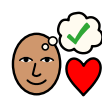
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What



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interested

in?

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Why?

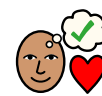


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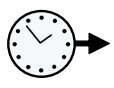


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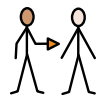
interest



will



help



you

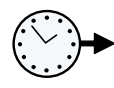


choose

a



job



in the future?

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What?



Picture Resource




basketball




computers



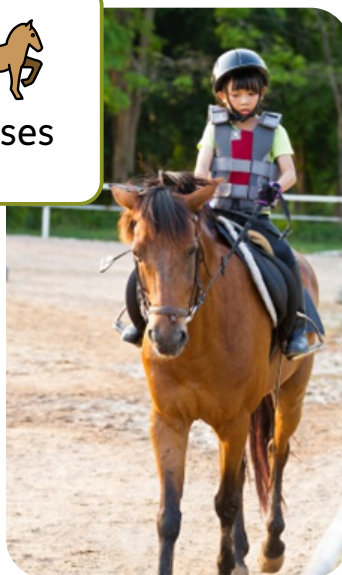
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gardening

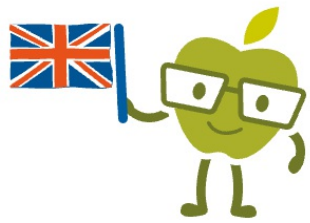


horses



crafts





British Values



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Values




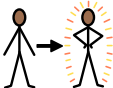






Democracy

As adults, we will be able to vote for people we want in parliament.



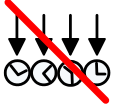

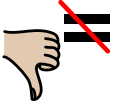

We can vote for who we think will do the best job.

Protected Characteristics



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Mar Galcerán has become the first person with Down's syndrome to be elected in Spain's parliament.

 We  should  never  be treated  unfairly because of a  disability.



Sex



Sexual
Orientation



Age



Disability



Gender
Reassignment



Marriage and
Civil Partnership



Pregnancy
and Maternity



Race



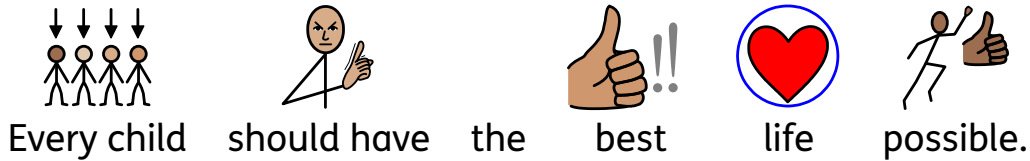
Religion
and Belief



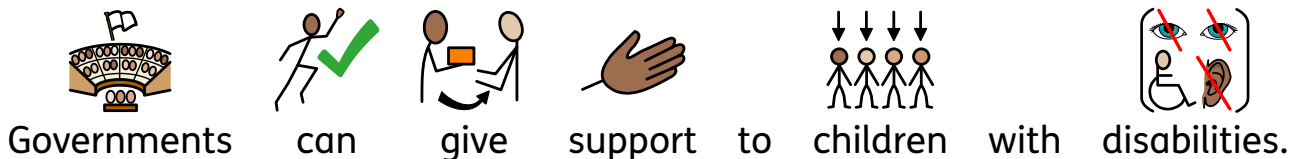
UN Rights of a Child



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Every child should have the best life possible.



Governments can give support to children with disabilities.



**CHILDREN WITH
DISABILITIES**



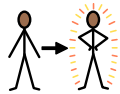
At Home



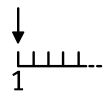
At Home



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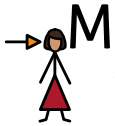
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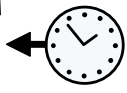
in Spain's



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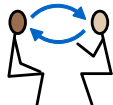
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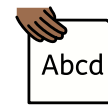
Discuss



at home



what



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What do you think

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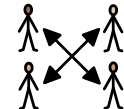
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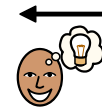
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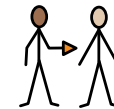
Has



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Who



and



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