

Making Sense!



Taste



Smell



Hear



Touch



See



The Brain

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I see something red and shiny.
What could it be?
Just close your eyes, imagine,
Now what do you see?





An apple, insect, fire truck.
What else could it be?







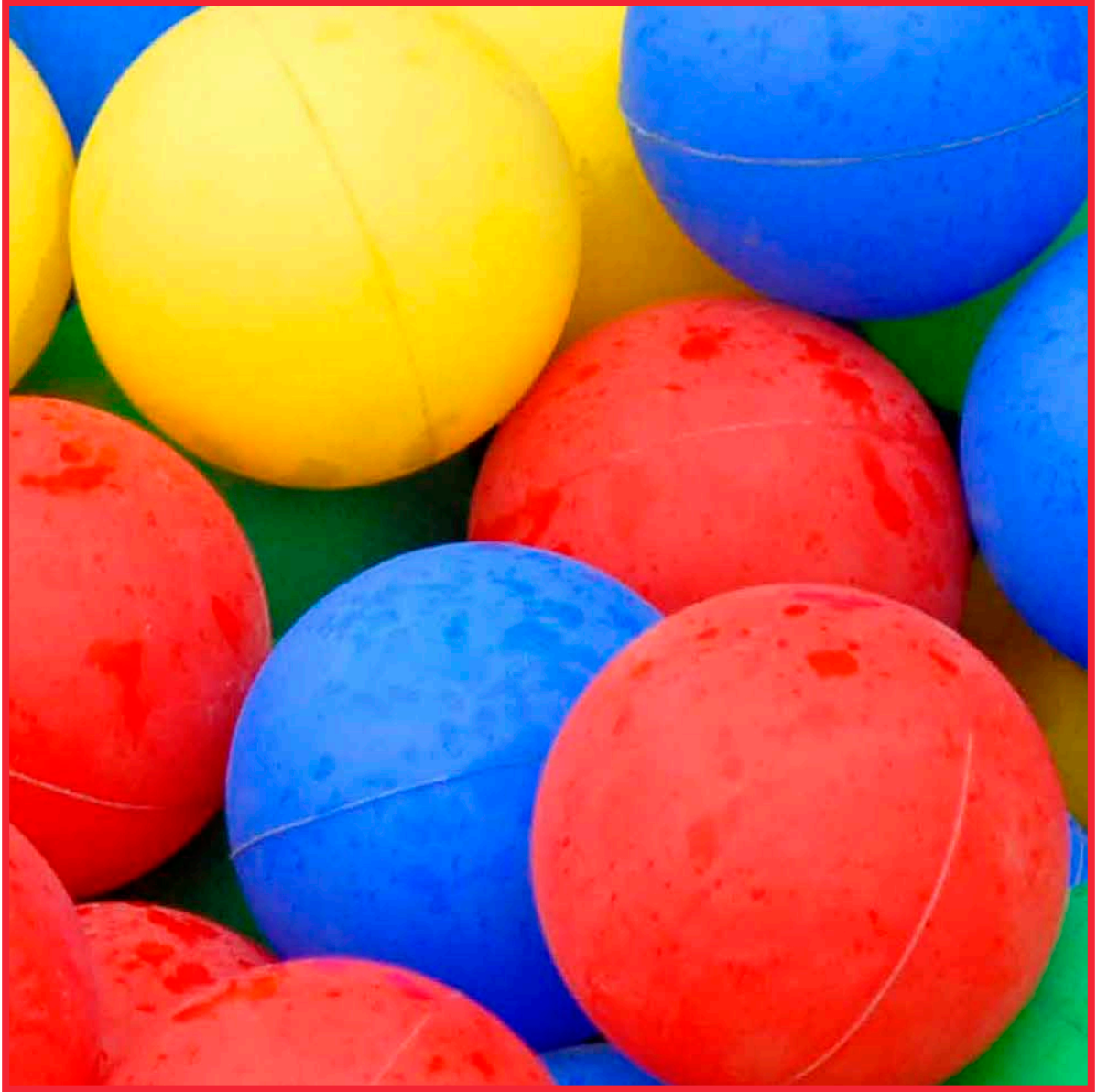




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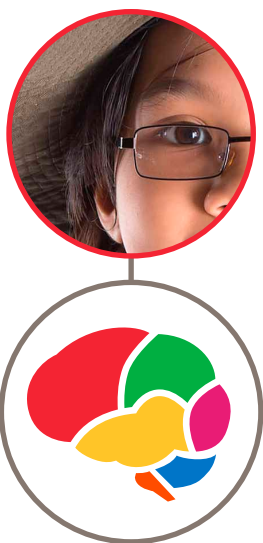






Some ketchup, sneakers, bouncing balls,
and just a strawberry!





Whether it's seeing or hearing,
Taste, touching or smelling,
The brain controls all the senses.
The connections are telling!



I hear something coming.
What could be so near?
Cup your ears. Just listen closely.
Imagine, what do you hear?

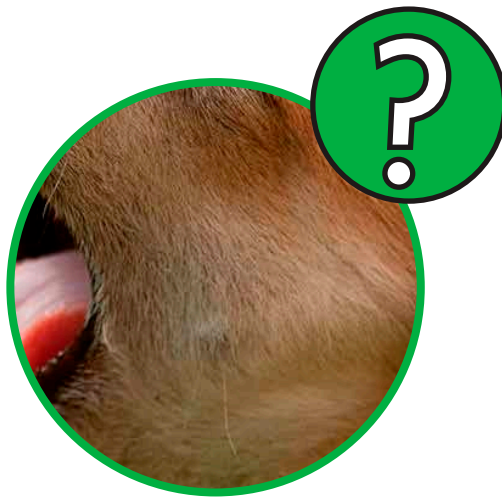


A bell, a bee or marching band.
What else might that sound be?

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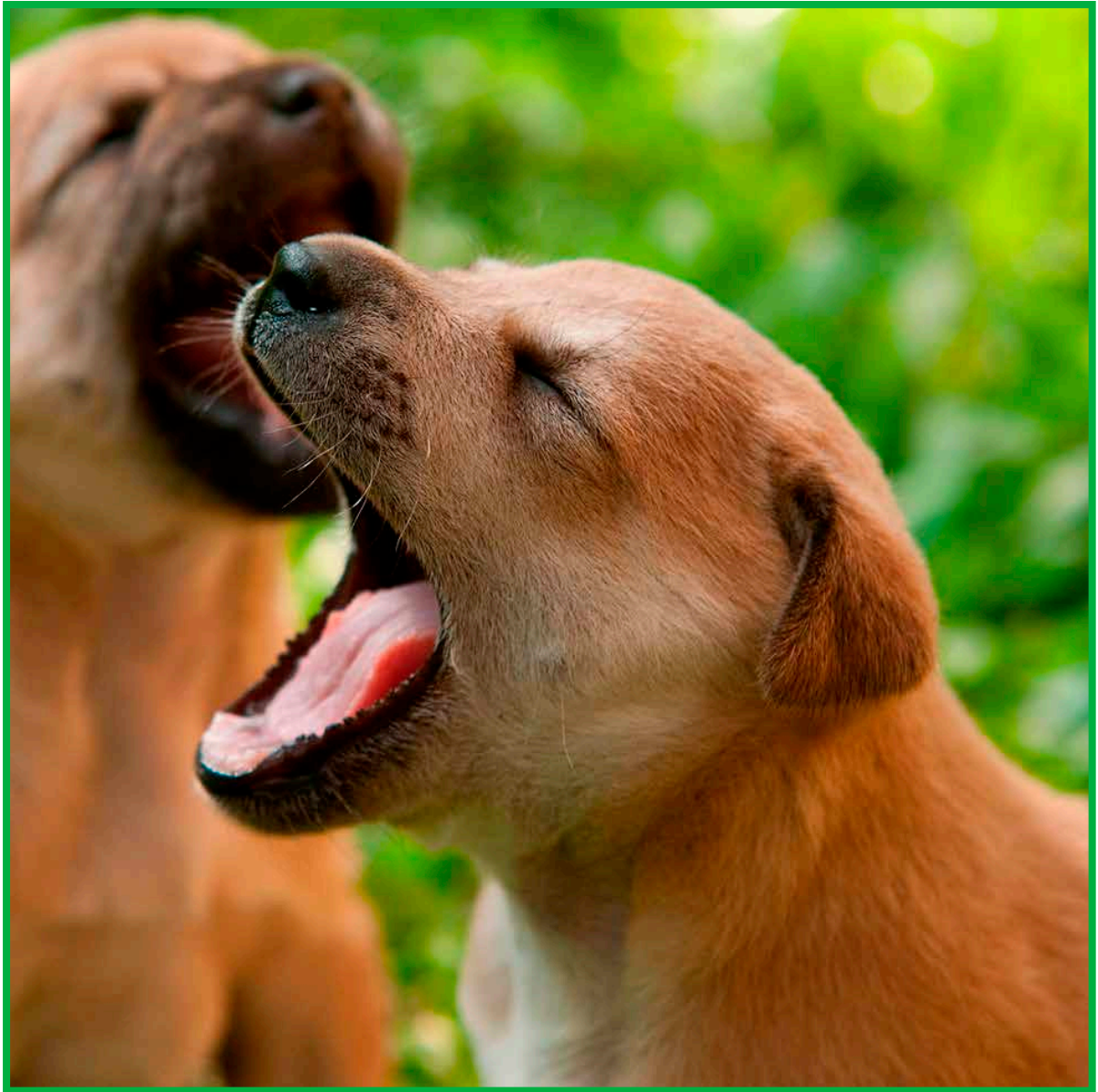


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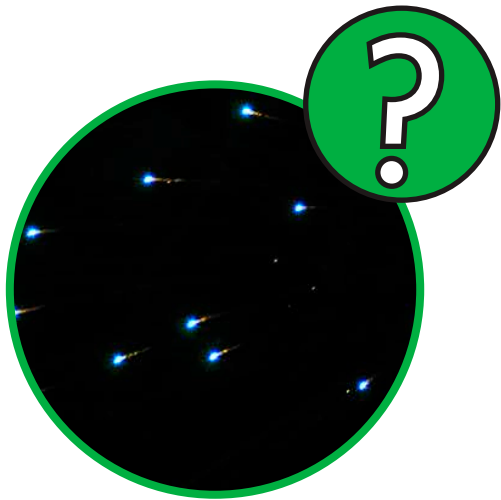






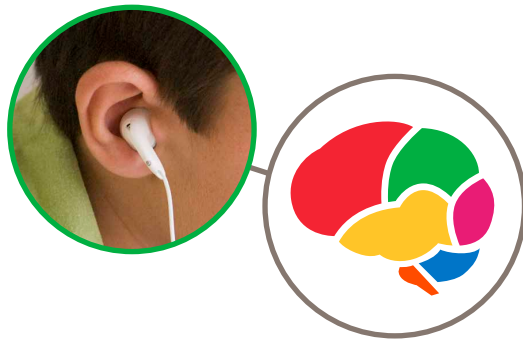


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A horn, a dog, some fireworks.
A songbird in a tree!





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I taste something delicious,
That should never go to waste!
A yummy flavor on your tongue.
Imagine what you'll taste.



A cake, ice cream or chocolate chips.
What else could it be?

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A milkshake, honey, fruit salad.
A warm oatmeal cookie!





Whether it's seeing or hearing,
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I smell something. It's wonderful.
But what, I cannot tell.
What is it wafting past your nose?
Imagine what you smell.



Pickles, a pizza, peppermint,
What else could that smell be?

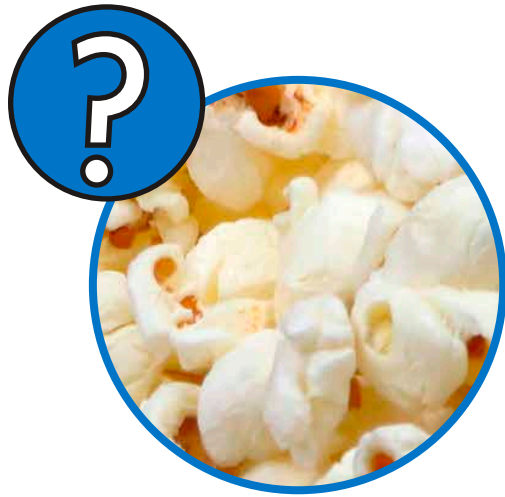








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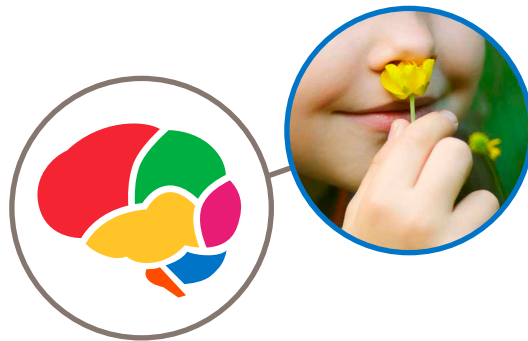




Popcorn, roses, lemonade.
A pie that's blueberry!



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The brain controls all the senses.
The connections are telling!



I feel something soft and warm.
What may my touch reveal?
So with your hands, reach carefully.
Imagine what you feel.



A doll, blanket or kitty cat.
What else could that touch be?



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Soft grass, hard rocks,
And sand between my toes.
Fluffy bunny rabbit
With whiskers on the nose!





And a big hug from my mother
That's meant only for me!



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Observe the world that surrounds you.
It's a wondrous place,
Full of trillions of sensations
That your brain will translate!

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