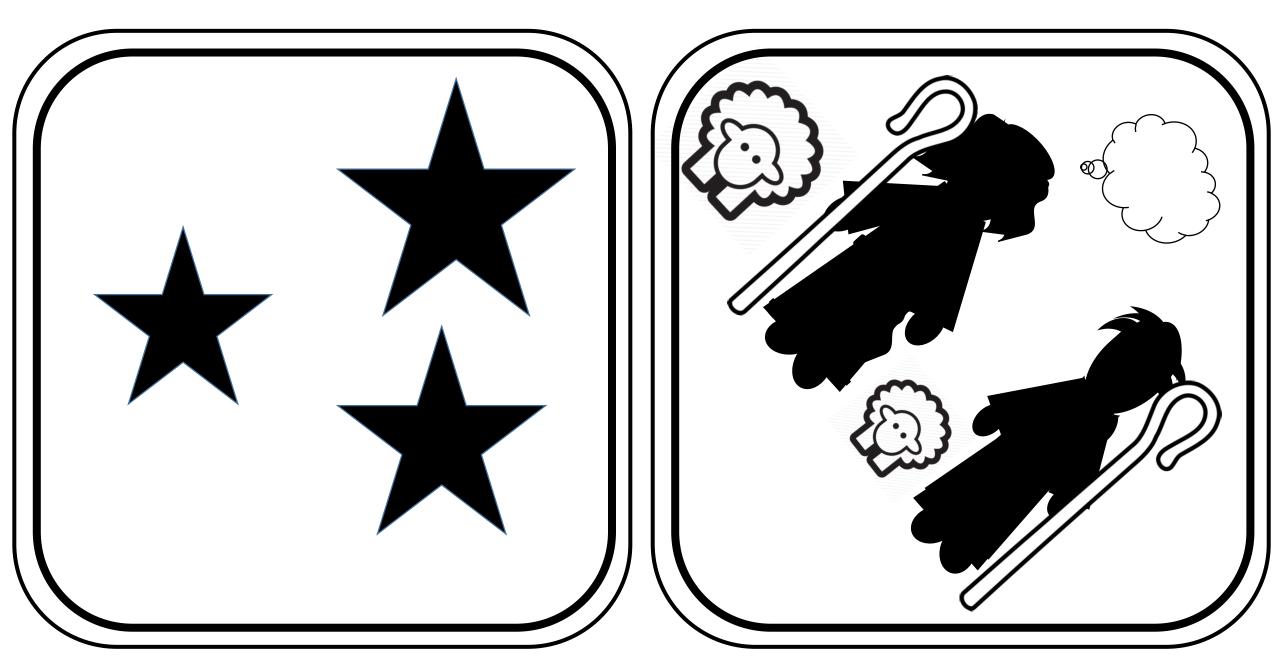
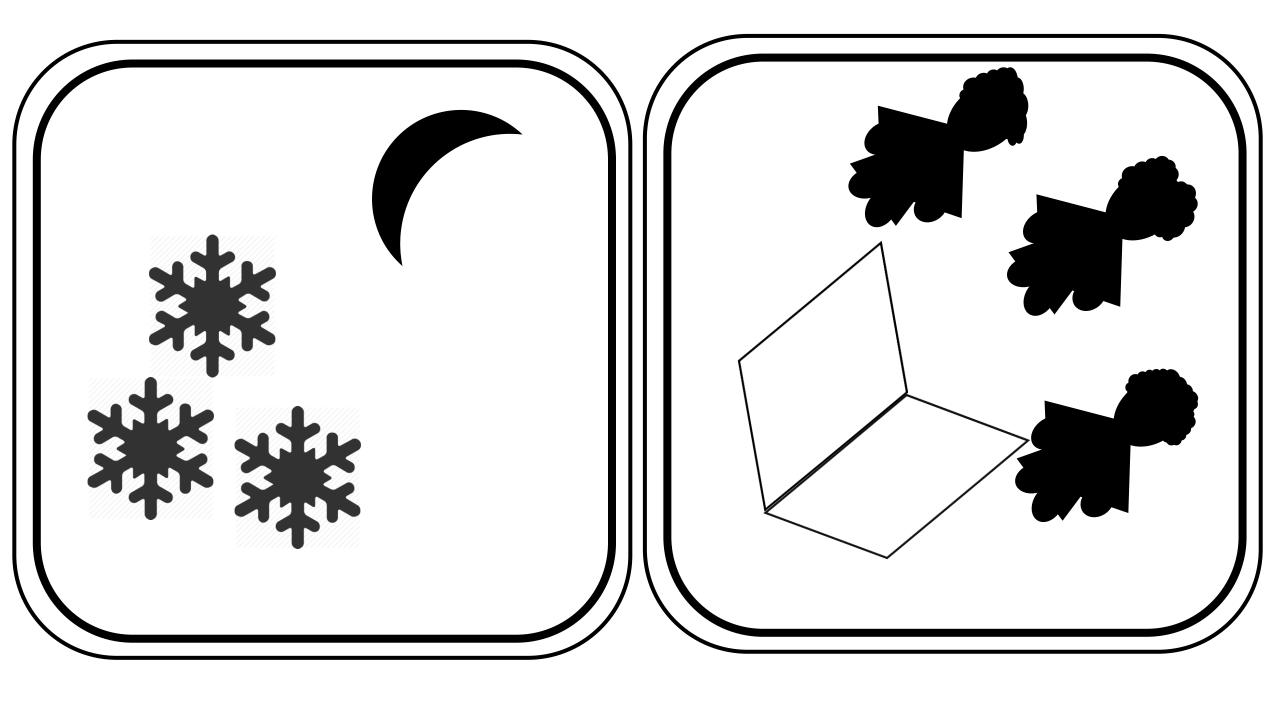


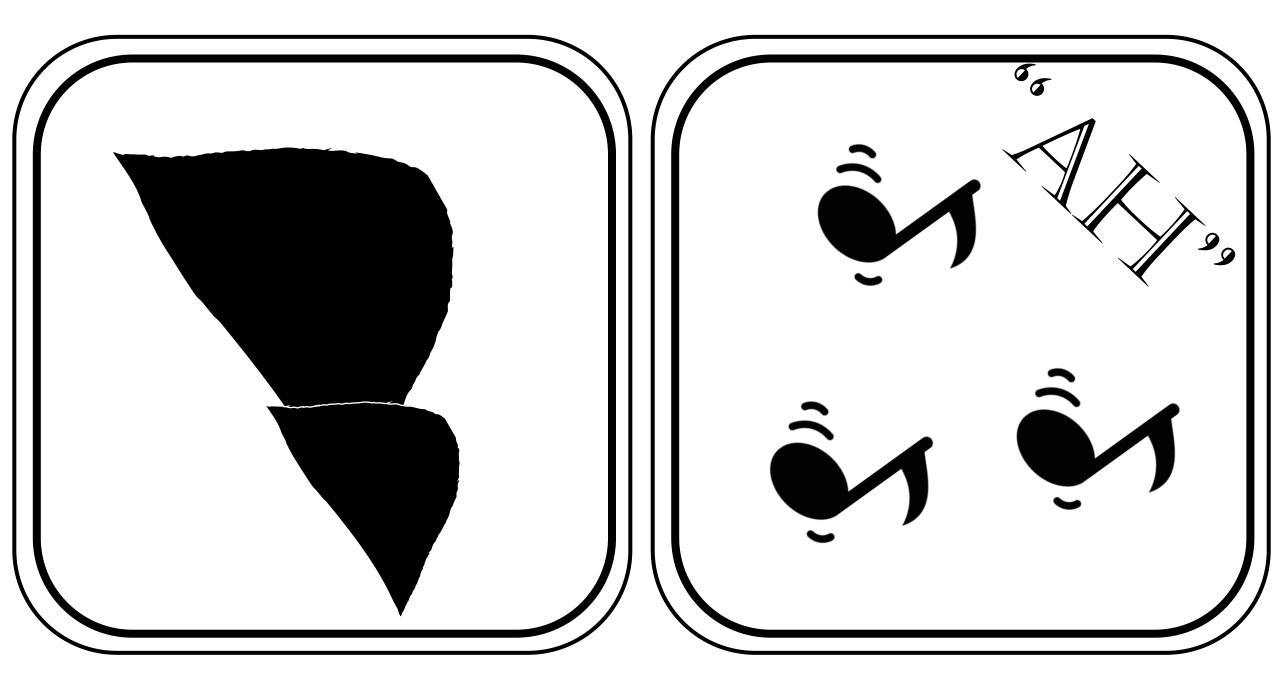
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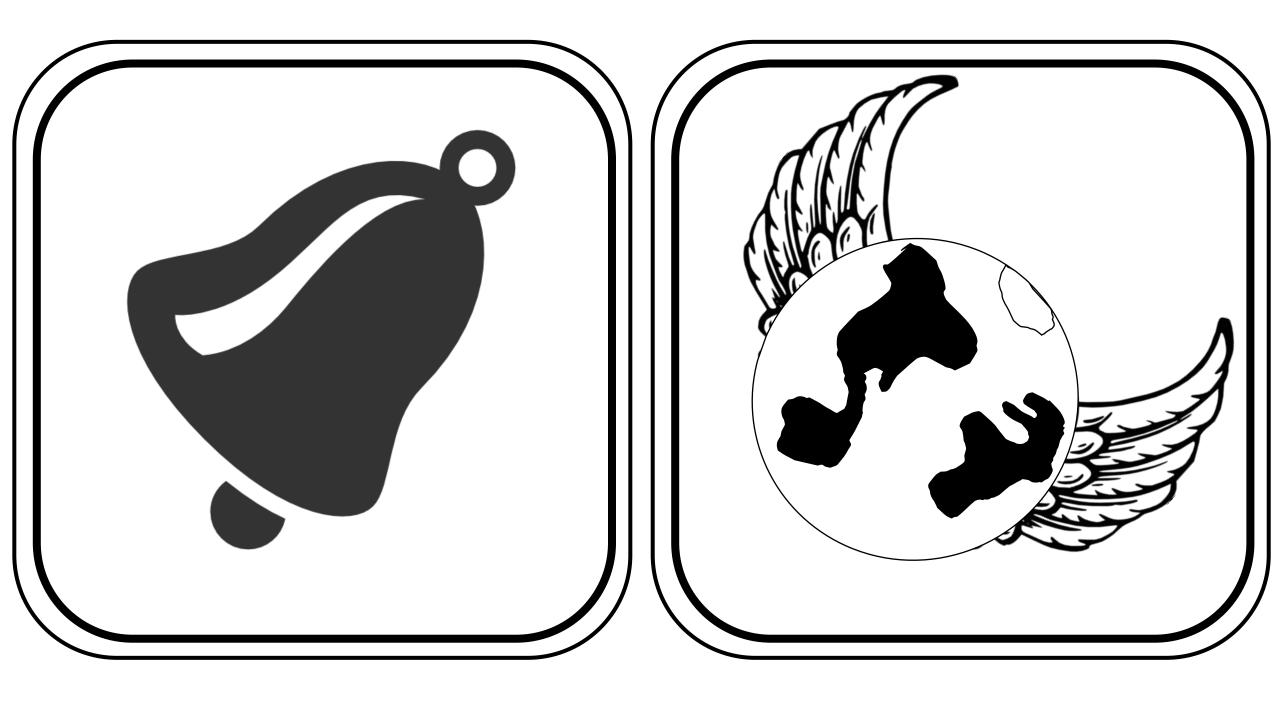
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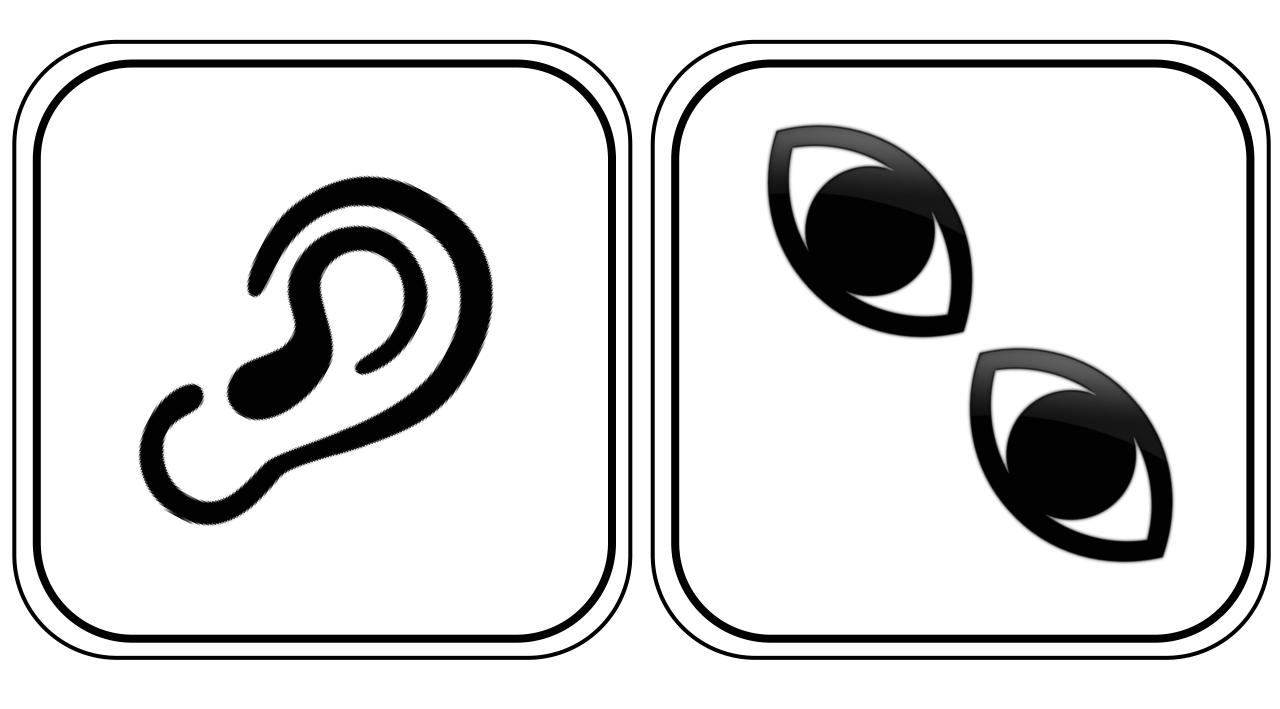


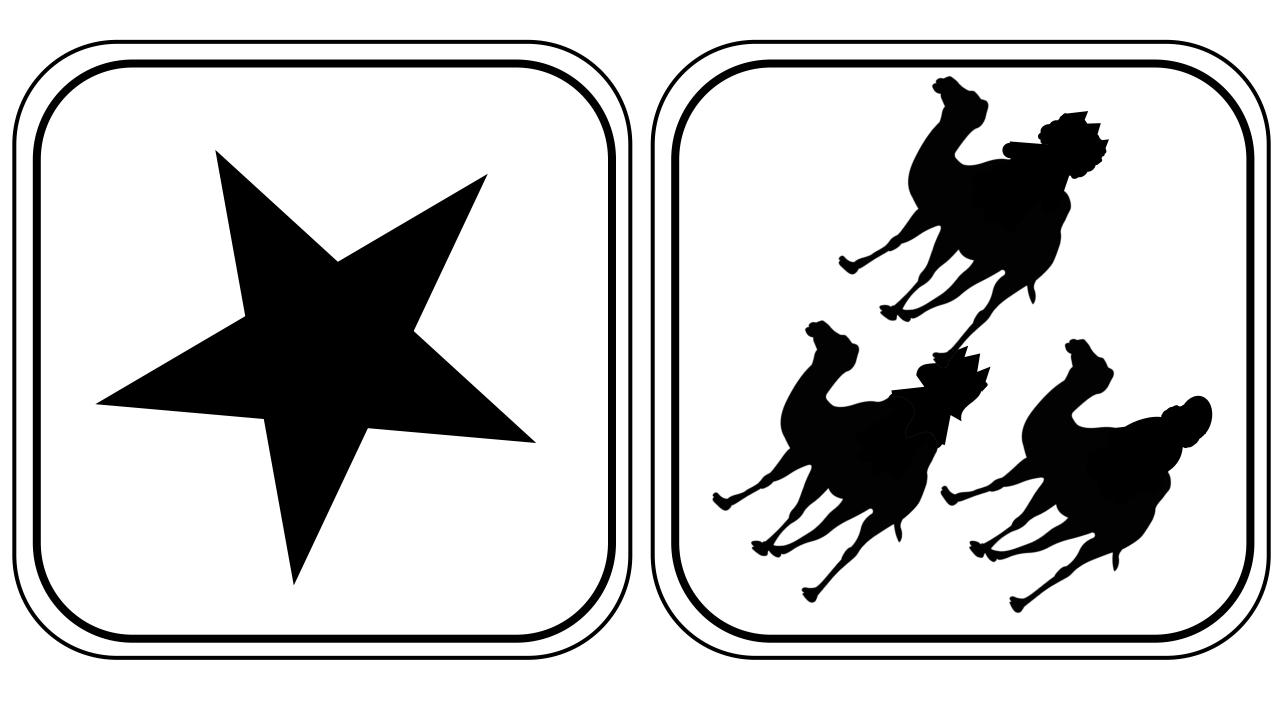
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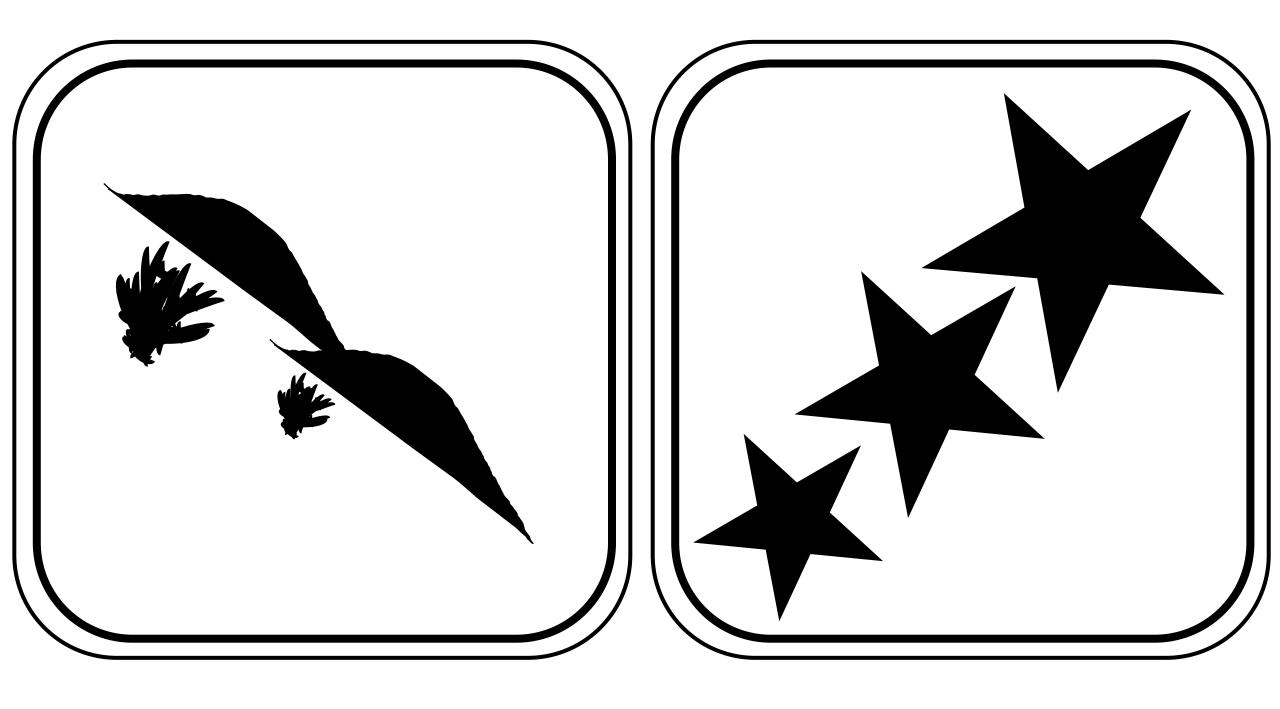




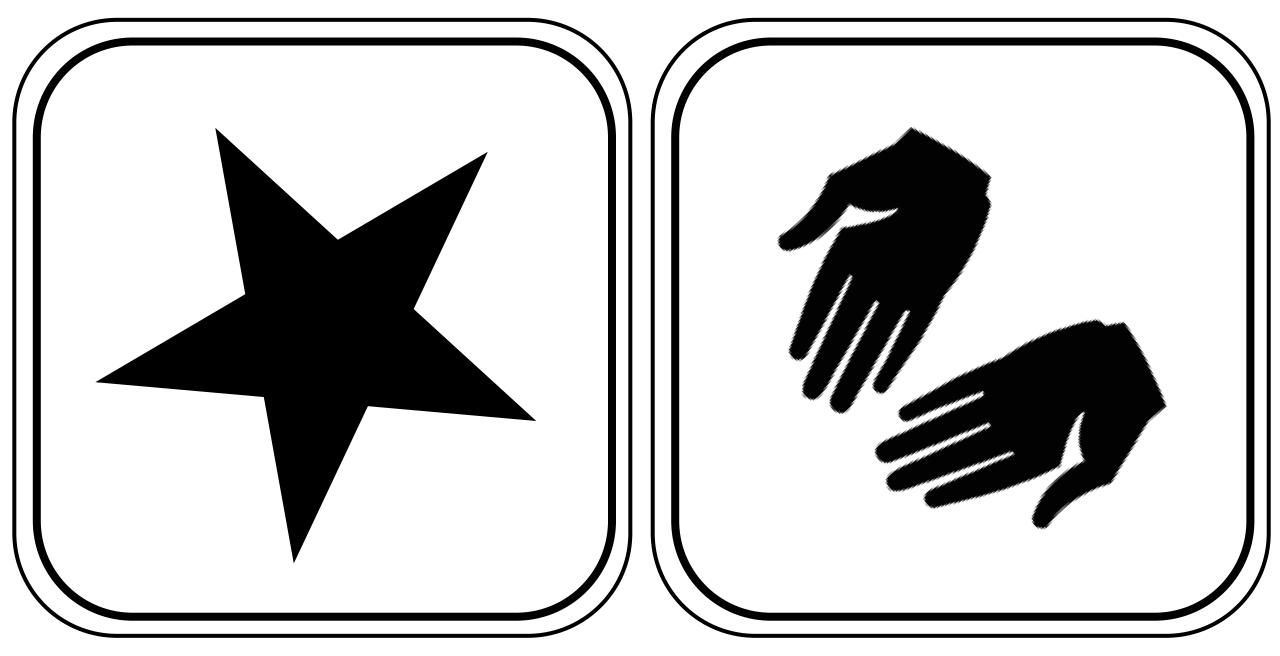












Christmas Bringing

Stars were gleaming, shepherds dreaming; And the night was dark and chill. Angels' story rang with glory; Shepherds heard it on the hill. Ah, that singing! Hear it ringing, Earthward winging, Christmas bringing! Hearken! We can hear it still!

See the clearness and the nearness Of the blessed Christmas star, Leading, guiding; wise men riding Through the desert dark and far. Lovely showing, shining, growing, Onward going, gleaming, glowing, Leading still, our Christmas star!

Words: Nancy Byrd Turner, 1880-1971 Music: Polish carol; arr. by Darwin Wolford, b. 1936
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Stars were Gleaming

When I started teaching the song, I asked them questions about the song like what were the stars doing and what gleaming means, what were the shepherds doing, what the night was like. What the angels were doing and why. We found rhyming words. All that helps. When we got to the "ing" words I had them listen for the ing words and tell me what they were. We talked about what they all meant which gave us many times to repeat repeat. I also made up actions for each of the ing words - that helps too.

singing --picture of singing ringing-- picture of bell earthward winging-- I think I did a picture of wings on a picture of the earth, I know silly, but it worked Christmas bringing--any picture that you can associate with Christmas.

Then on the second verse:
showing --picture of eyes
shining--picture of light bulb
growing--picture of plant
going--picture of walking, or arrow
gleaming--picture of star
glowing--picture of Christmas tree light bulb
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