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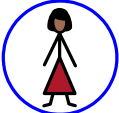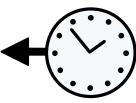
Zadie Smith was born in London in 1975.

Her mother was a fashion model from Jamaica.

Her father was a British photographer.

Zadie's parents divorced when she was 11.
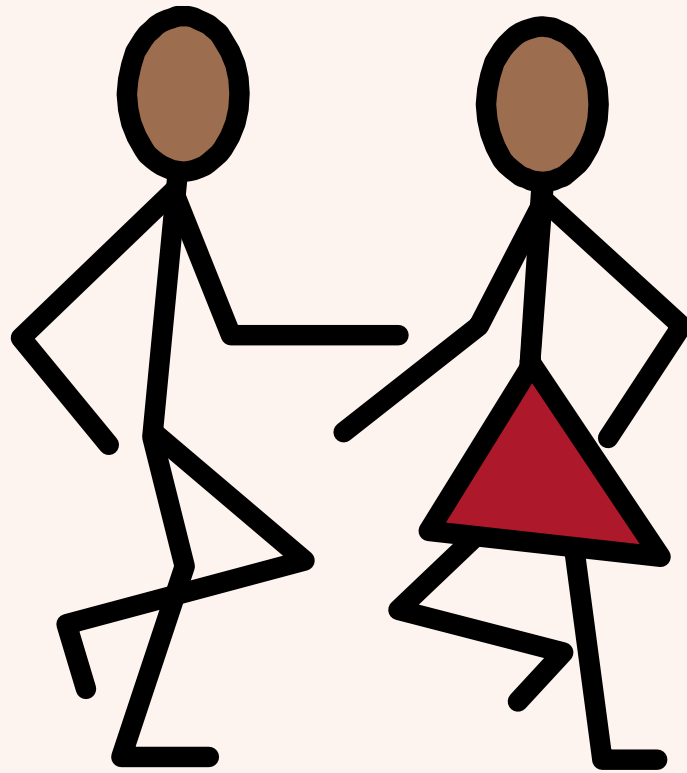
Zadie's parents named her Sadie.

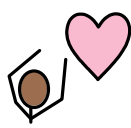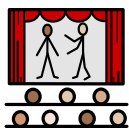She changed her name to Zadie when she was 14.

When Zadie was younger she liked tap dancing.

She wanted to perform in musicals.

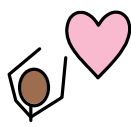Zadie won a writing competition aged eight.

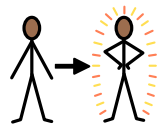She had a story published when she was 12.
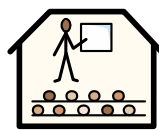
Zadie wanted to become a journalist.

She studied English at the University of Cambridge.
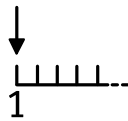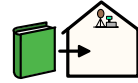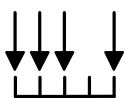
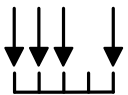Zadie had her first book published as a student.

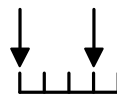She mainly writes books for adults.

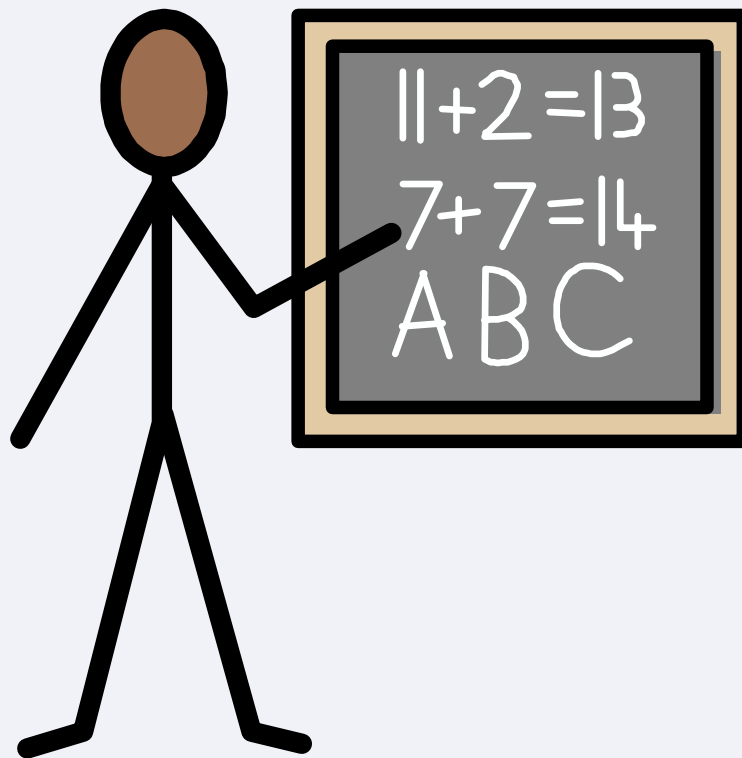Most of these are novels, but some are non-fiction.

Zadie has won prizes for her writing.
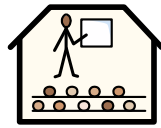
Zadie is now a professor of fiction.

She teaches at the University of New York.
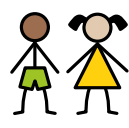
Zadie is married to a poet called Nick Laird.
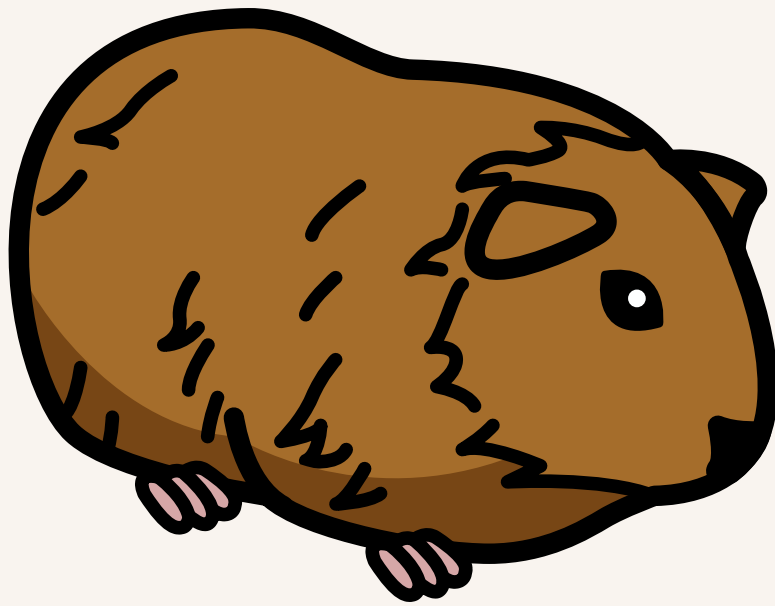
They have two children called Kit and Hal.

Zadie and Nick have written a children's book.
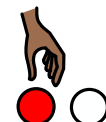
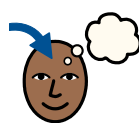'Weirdo' is about a guinea pig called Maud.

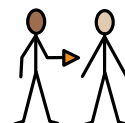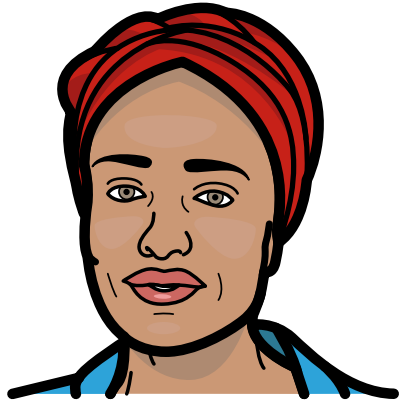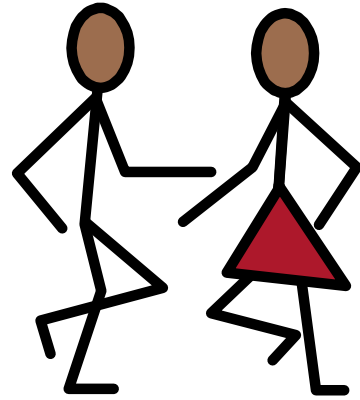Maud must make lots of brave decisions.

The story is about learning to be yourself.

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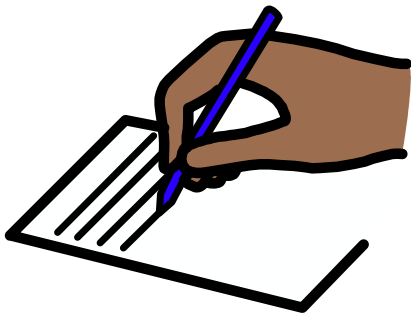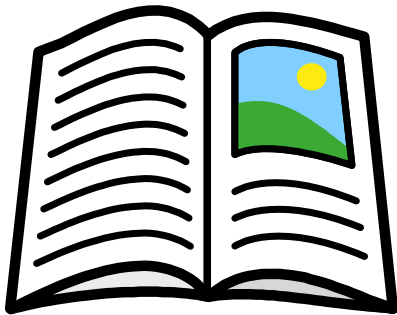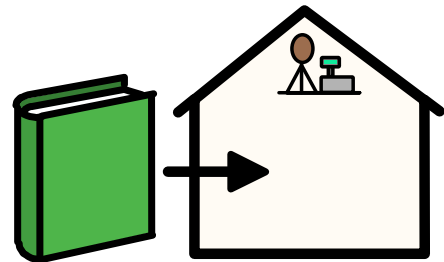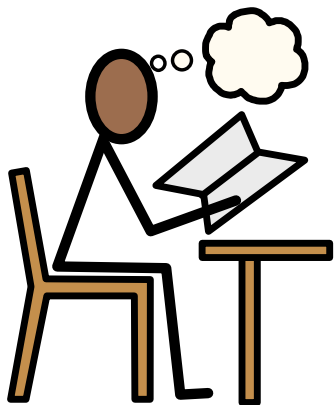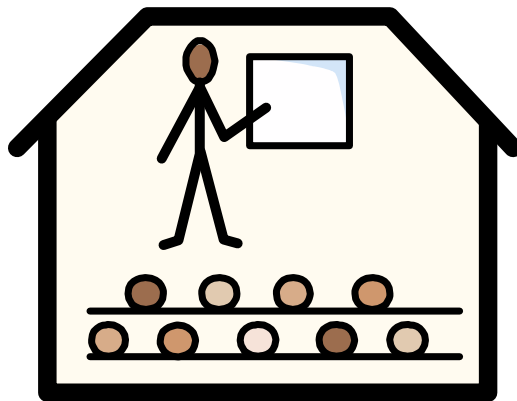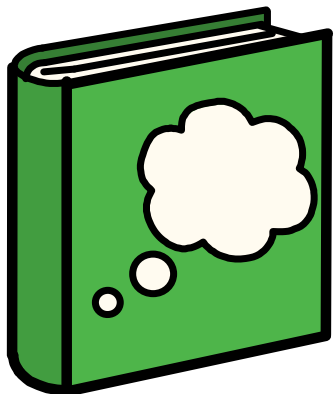
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