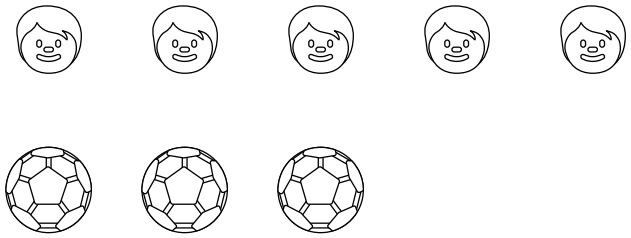
Is there enough?

Scarcity: there is not enough of something for everyone who wants it.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Draw a line from each thing to one child. Who has to wait?

A

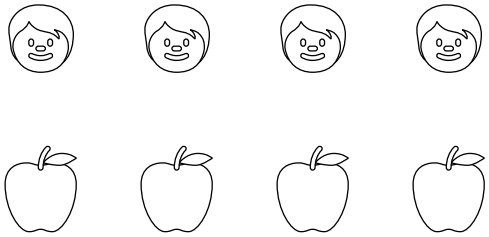


Waiting: ☐

Enough

Not enough

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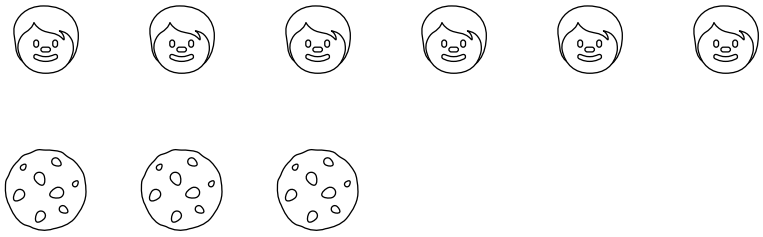


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Enough

Not enough

C



Waiting: ☐

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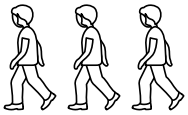
Not enough? Color the ways to choose that you think are fair.



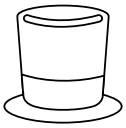
Take turns



Share it



First in line



Pick from a hat

Is there enough?

Scarcity: there is not enough of something for everyone who wants it.

For grown-ups

WHAT THIS SHEET PRACTICES

SS1E2: explain that scarcity is when unlimited wants are greater than limited resources. Each row shows wants (the children) and a limited resource (the balls, apples, or cookies).

HOW TO USE IT IN 5 TO 10 MINUTES

Point to row A. Count the children, then the balls. Your child draws one line from each ball to a different child, so every ball is used once.

Count the children with no line. Write that number, then circle Enough or Not enough. Do rows B and C.

Read the last question aloud. Any idea can be colored; ask why it seems fair.

ANSWER KEY AND WHAT TO LOOK FOR

A: 5 children, 3 balls. 2 wait. Not enough (scarce).

B: 4 children, 4 apples. 0 wait. Enough.

C: 6 children, 3 cookies. 3 wait. Not enough (scarce).

Fair ways: there is no single right answer. Listen for a reason, such as "taking turns means everyone gets a try." Each way is still a choice: someone waits, or everyone gets less. In row C, sharing means 3 cookies cut in half, so all 6 children get a half instead of a whole cookie.

ONE QUESTION TO TALK ABOUT

"What do you want more of than there is?" Time to play, a turn on the swing, and the last slice of pizza are all good answers.