

Association for the Blind Western
Australia



Woodside Discovery Centre
Workbook

Welcome to the Association for the Blind of Western Australia's Discovery Centre.

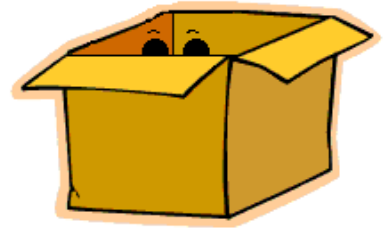
We trust you will enjoy your visit and that you will leave with a new appreciation of the challenges faced by those in our community who are visually impaired.



Don't forget to visit our souvenir shop while you are here. All proceeds from our shop go to support the Association's work

As you look around the discovery centre you will find Hidden Braille messages.

Use the Braille Alphabet below to decode the secret messages and write them in the spaces provided.



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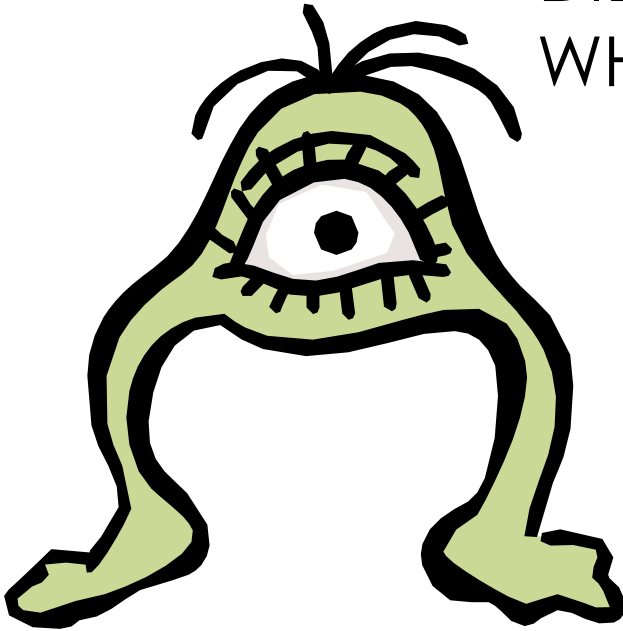
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DID YOU SEE
WHAT I SAW?



Make sure you visit the eye testing booth.

Attach your results to this page and hand it back into your teacher with the workbook when you have completed your visit of the centre.

When you visit the Assistive Technology Table you will have an opportunity to see and use some of the devices used by visually impaired people to help them manage every day things.

Alongside each of the pictures below write a brief note on what it is and how it is used.



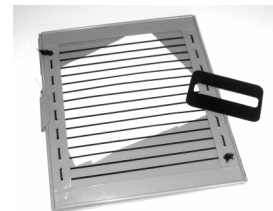
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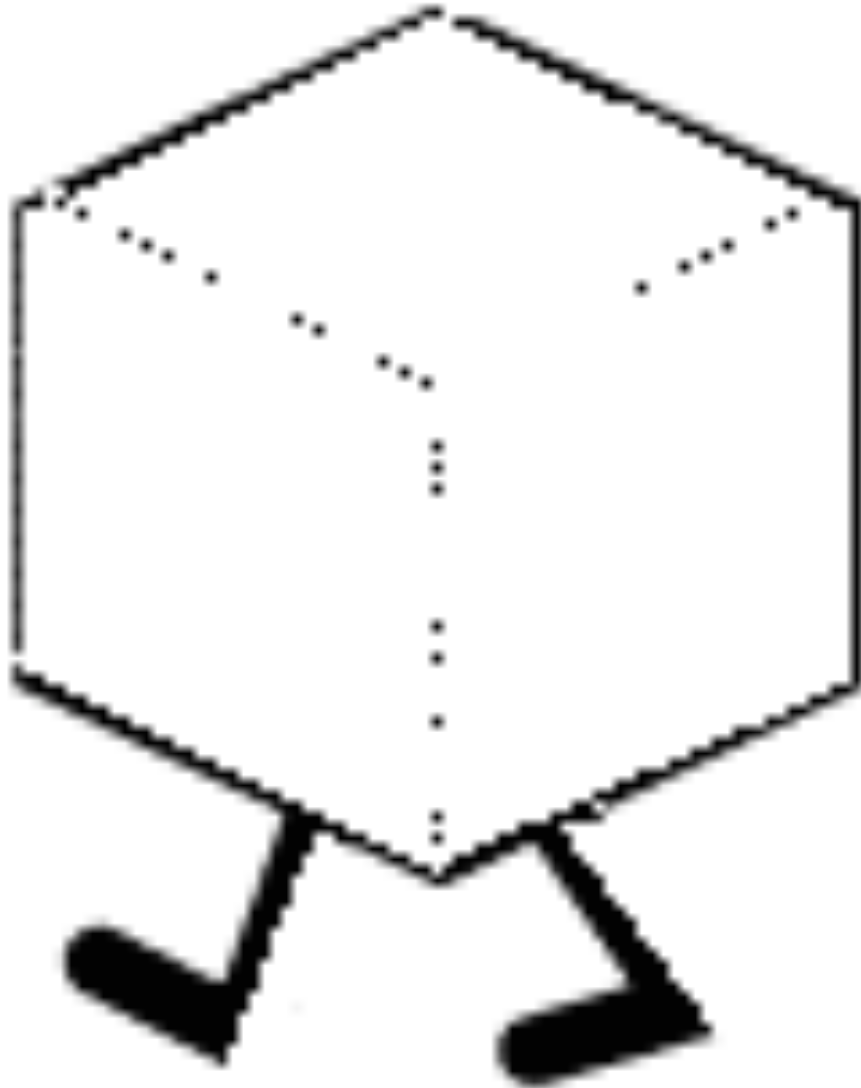


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Draw the objects you found in the feel-it boxes in the boxes below.



How do the objects in the boxes relate to the challenges faced by the visually impaired?

On the Grid below mark the objects you find in the Sound Room.

Check your results against the answer grid your teacher has.
The pictures on the next page will help you with SOME of the sounds



How did you go playing the dart game?



Write down your score

Did you enjoy the road crossing game?



What was your best score?

Video Presentation

Watch the Video Presentation and see if you can answer the following questions.

When did Dr. Cook bring the first guide dog to Western Australia and what was the dog's name?

How old was Dr. Cook when he lost his sight?

What was the name of the first guide dog trained here in Western Australia?



Why is the Labrador the preferred breed for guide dog training?

How old are the puppies when they are placed with Puppy Raisers and what skills do the pups learn while in their care?

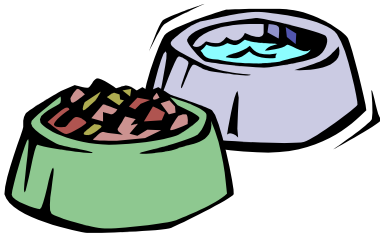
What is involved in the process of "socialization"?

Who decides when the guide dog and its owner should cross a busy road?



How long is the working life of a guide dog and what happens to the dog when it is retired?

Are guide dogs allowed to enter, restaurants? Why do you think this might be a problem for other people in the restaurant?



DISCOVERY CENTRE EVALUATION SHEET

Did you enjoy your visit to the Discovery Centre?

Which part of the centre did you enjoy the most?

Were there any improvements you think we could make?

Did you feel you had enough time to view the displays?
