



SOCIAL STORY

**WHY AM
I NOT AT
SCHOOL?**



Autism
BEDFORDSHIRE

There can be many reasons why someone is not at school:



They might have a doctors appointment



They might be poorly



They might be going to the dentist



The school might be closed because it is half term or the summer holidays

Can you think of any other reasons?

At the moment, many people are staying at home because of something called the coronavirus, or COVID-19.

Have you heard these names before? (tick)

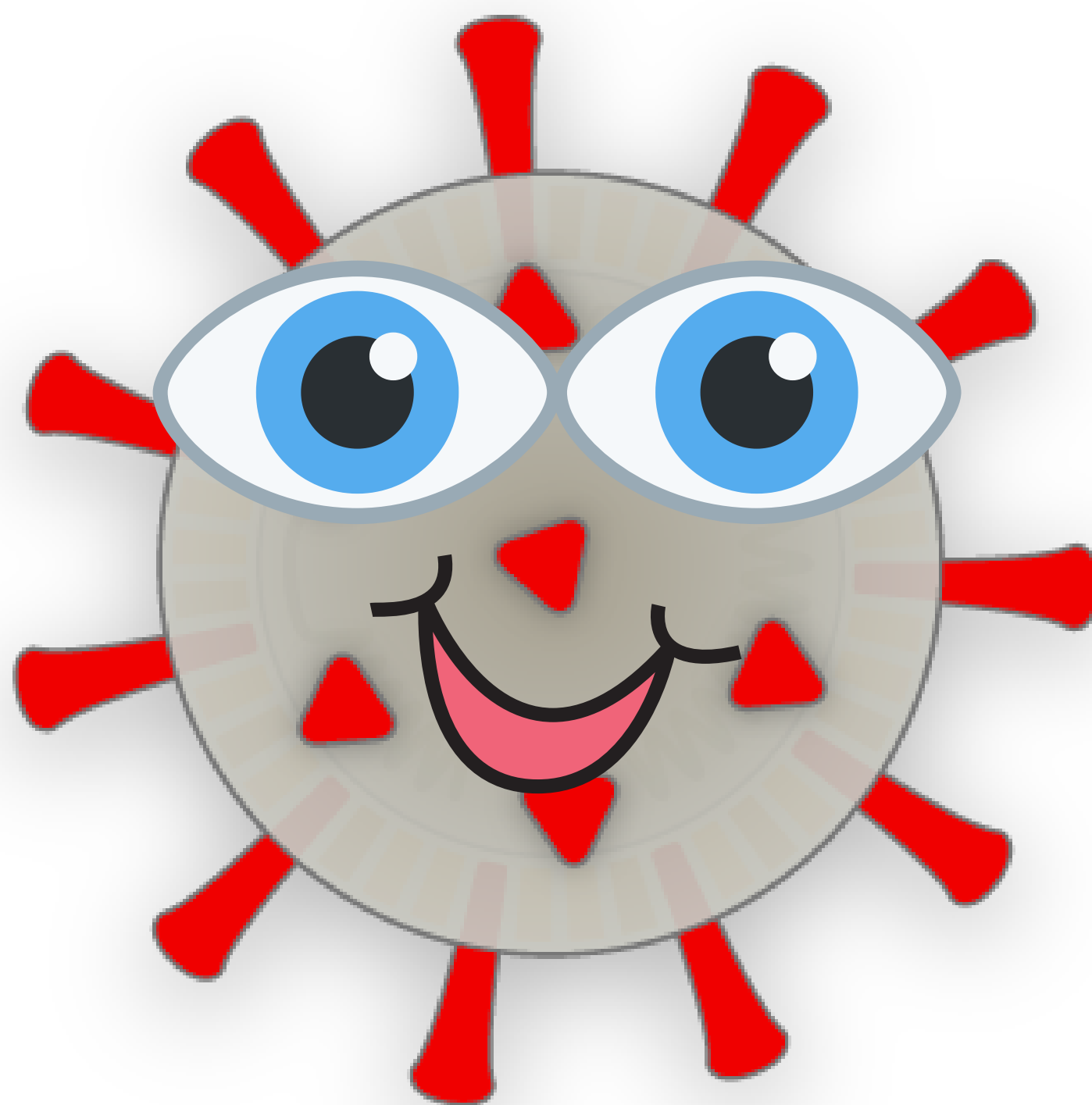
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NO

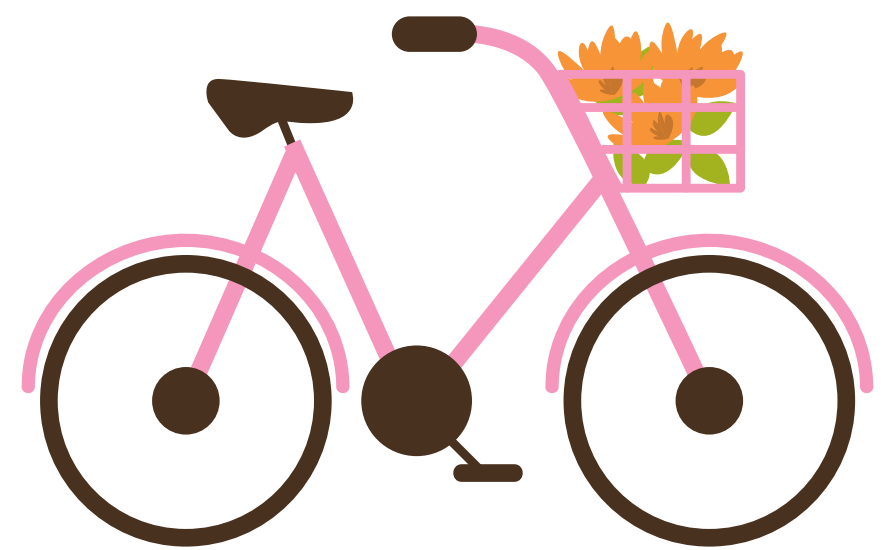
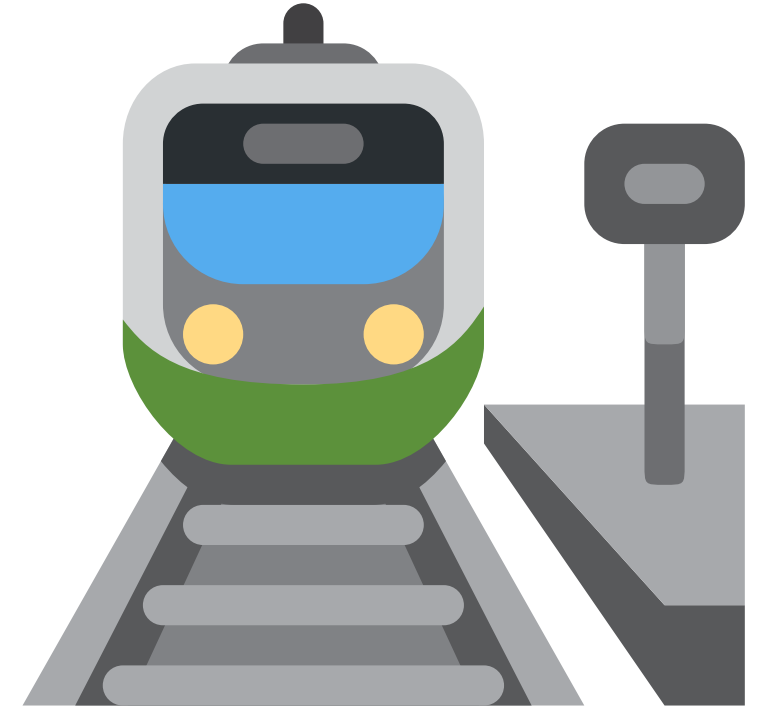
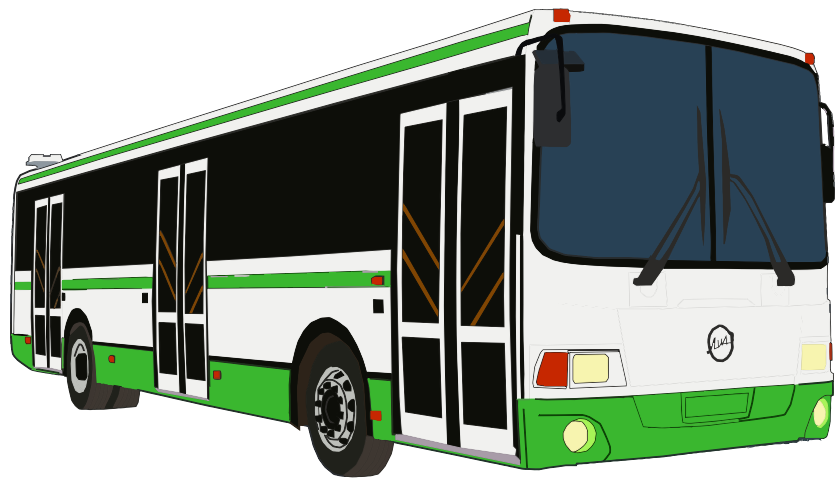


The Coronavirus is related to the flu and cold. It is very tiny and looks something like this:

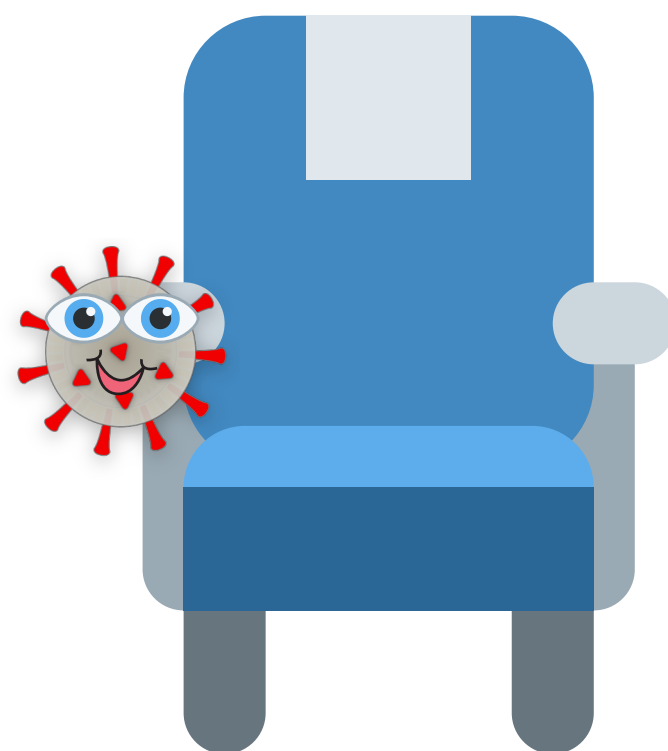


The coronavirus likes to travel!

But it doesn't like to travel like we do...



... it likes to travel on humans because we are very good at transporting them onto other people and things!



The coronavirus makes people feel poorly. They might have...



A cough

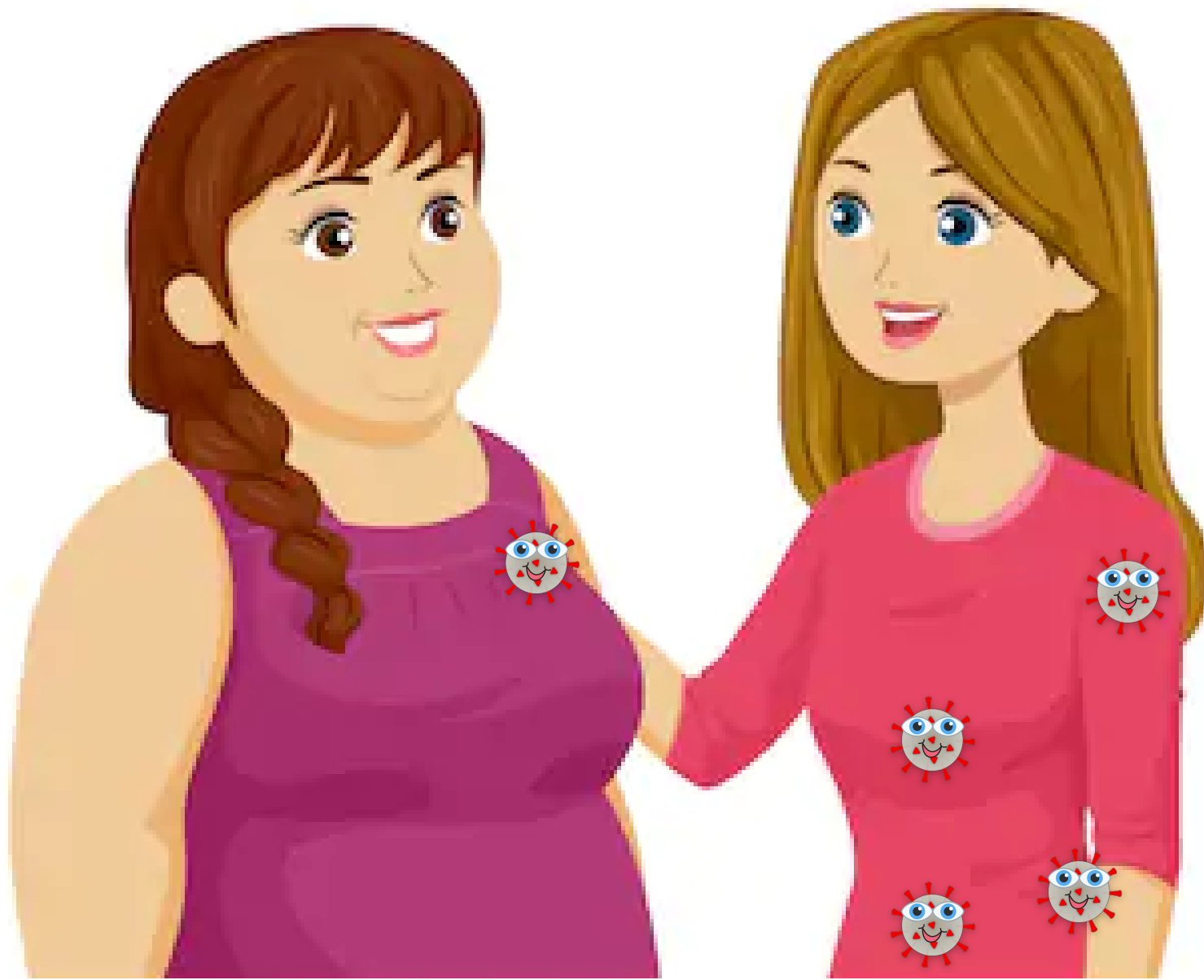
A fever



Breathing difficulties

The coronavirus doesn't stay with people for very long, and almost everyone gets better.

To stop the coronavirus from making people poorly, we need to try and stop it moving from...



... person to person...

... and person to object.



**This means we
might not be able
to go to school for
a while...**



**...or go to places where there are lots of
people...**



... or see some of our family and friends.



**This might make you worry. This is okay.
There are adults to help take care of you and
keep you safe at home:**



**We can all help by washing our hands and
helping to keep things clean:**

