

WANTS VS NEEDS

In the story about the Unfinished Creatures, what was the difference in the way that the Owl asked for things and the way that the Rabbit asked for things? The Rabbit thought about the things that he really needed in order to survive and asked for those things in a polite way. The Owl rudely interrupted and demanded things without much thought as to how those things would help him survive. How did things turn out for both of those unfinished creatures? Did the Rabbit get all those things that he needed? Did the Owl get all those things that he wanted? Do you know the difference between the things that you want and the things that you really need in order to survive? The choice can be difficult sometimes, even for parents. No matter how much or how little we have, everyone struggles with making good choices, even adults.

For this activity, begin by cutting out the pictures on the second page. Sit down with your parents and discuss each item to decide if it is something that you really need in order to survive or is it just something that you want. Once you have decided, glue that picture onto either the "NEED" or "WANT" column of this page. When you are finished, you will see that your parents work very hard to provide you with everything that you need in order to live a healthy life. Show them how grateful you are by saying "Thank You" and try to be patient and understanding if you don't always get those things that you want.

NEED

Things we need to live or survive

WANT

Things we would like to have but don't need

SUNSHINE



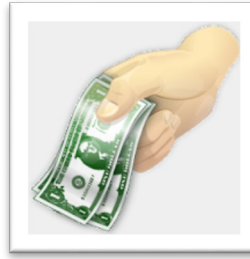
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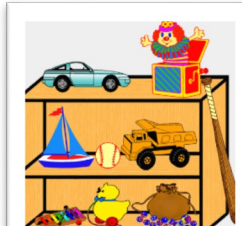
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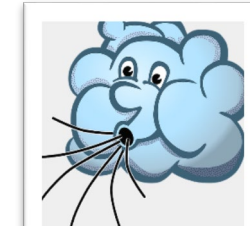
TOYS



WATER



AIR



HEAT

