

Beyond the Basics



By the end of this session, you'll be able to:

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↑ Apply 7 advanced tips and best practices shared by real educators to enhance their use of ClassDojo.

↓ Explore new features you can start implementing right away

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↑ Contribute to a community of educators by sharing your own tips, tricks, and wins

↓ Know where to go for help and ongoing support using the Help Desk and contact options

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Approx 45 minutes

PRO TIP

Purple Font is hyperlinked and takes you to our [Help Desk](#), where you'll get more "how to" information.

7 Tips

to go *Beyond* the
Basics

Tip #1: Updates with Class Story

- ★ **NEW:** [Post across multiple classes](#)! Choose from the drop down list to post across all of your classes
- ★ **NEW:** Already using Canva? Now you can create beautiful [designs in Canva](#) and share it directly to your Story - no extra download needed!
- ★ **NEW:** [Pin a post](#) to the top of your story feed so it stays front and center (*web only*)
 - Sidekick is built-in to Story Posts (*web only*), effortlessly add some creativity to your posts to make them more engaging
 - [Schedule posts](#) up to 6 months in advance for your Class Story
 - [Turn on comments](#) to spark conversation and build connection with families - or turn on student comments to get them involved too!

New post

 Lauren Madlener

What a year it's been! 🌟 All clubs will be wrapping up on May 22nd, and what an incredible journey we've shared together. From start to finish, we can't wait to welcome you Here's to the memories we've

☒ Ms. M's Communication Arts Club

☐ Ms. Madlener | 3rd Grade | 26-27

☒ 26/27 Drama Club

2 classes ▾

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Tip #2: Plan Ahead with Calendar & Sign-Ups

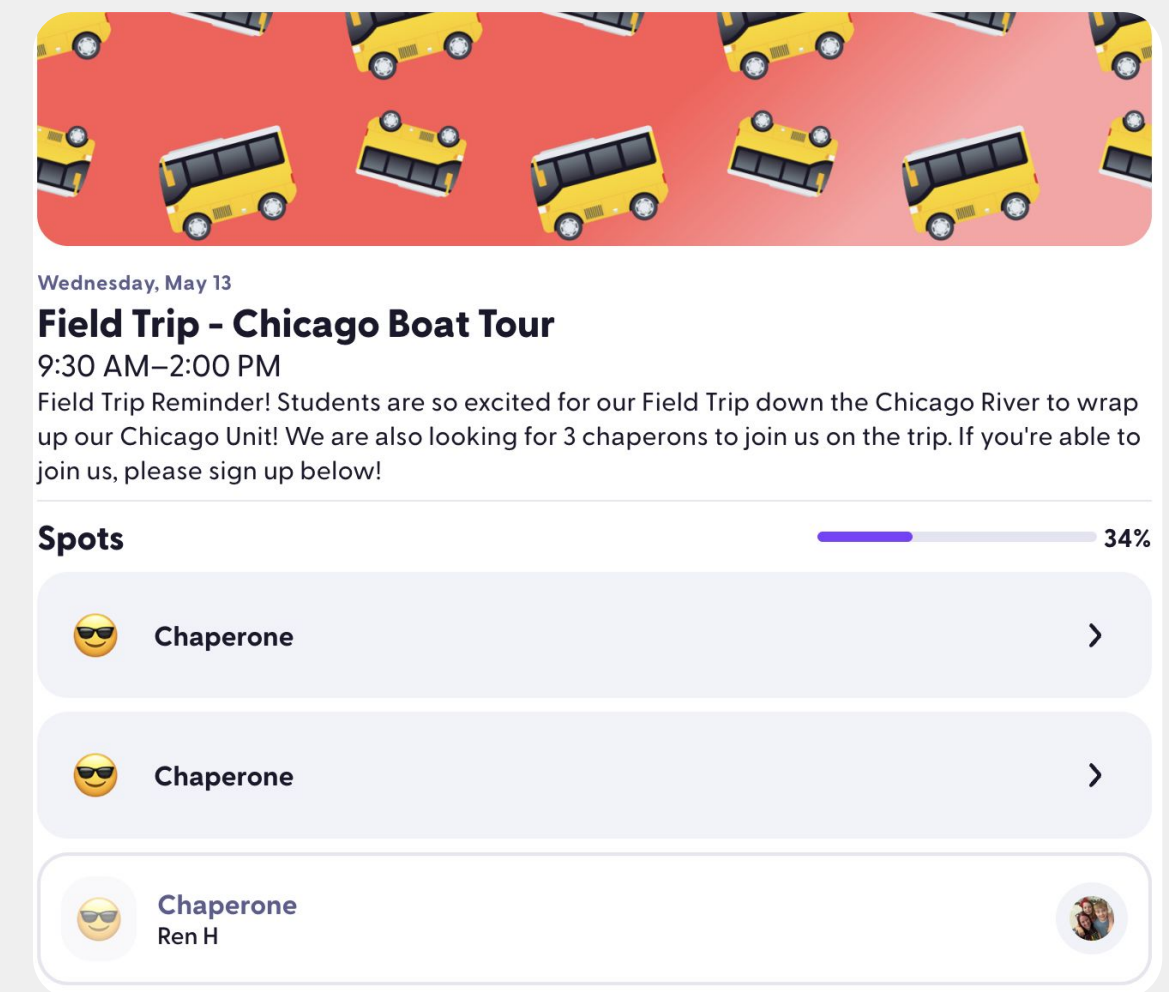
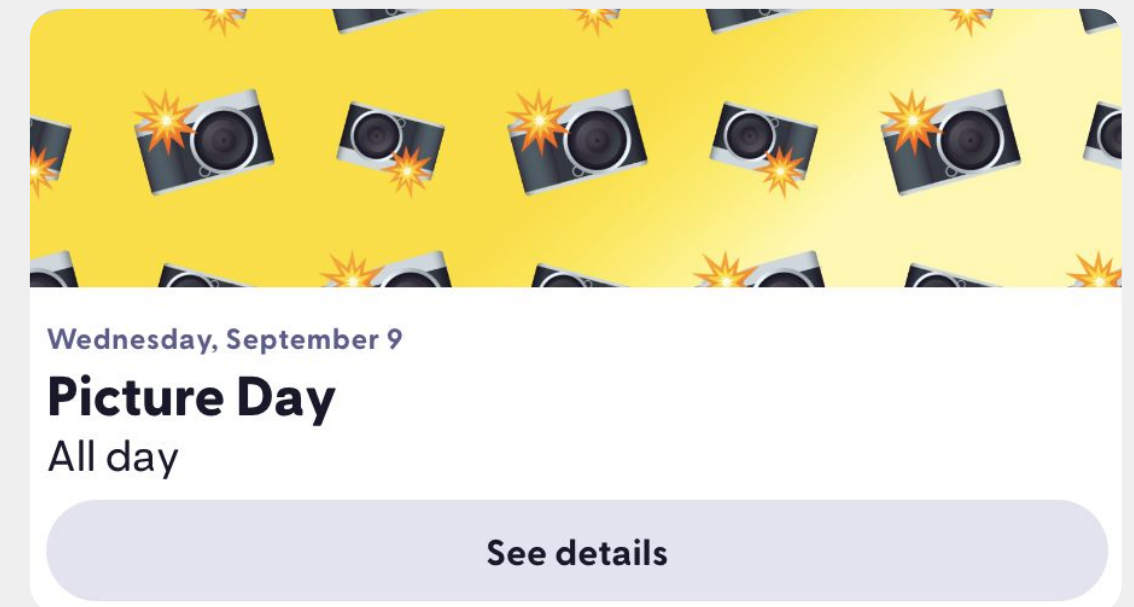
Never Miss A Moment with Class Calendar

- [Create events](#) for spirit days, celebrations, conferences, and more
- Send automatic reminders to families
- Share events to your Calendar and Class Story
- Add [sign-up slots](#) to your Events for donations, supplies, chaperones, and more!
- ★ **NEW:** [Sync your ClassDojo events](#) directly to your Google or Apple calendars!



Pro Tip - Print your sign ups

Easily print sign-ups as a PDF for school records, to share with the front office staff, or just to help keep yourself organized!

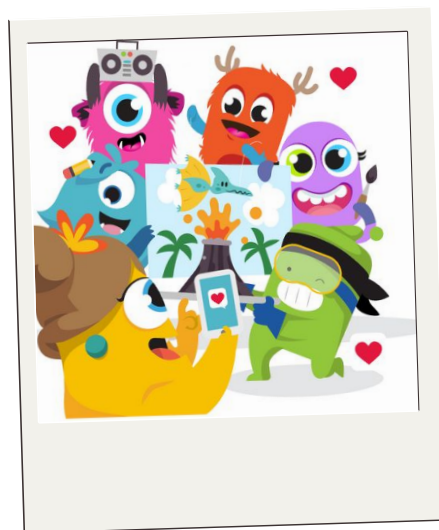


Tip #3: Sidekick

Your AI Assistant – right from your dashboard.

Use Sidekick to help you:

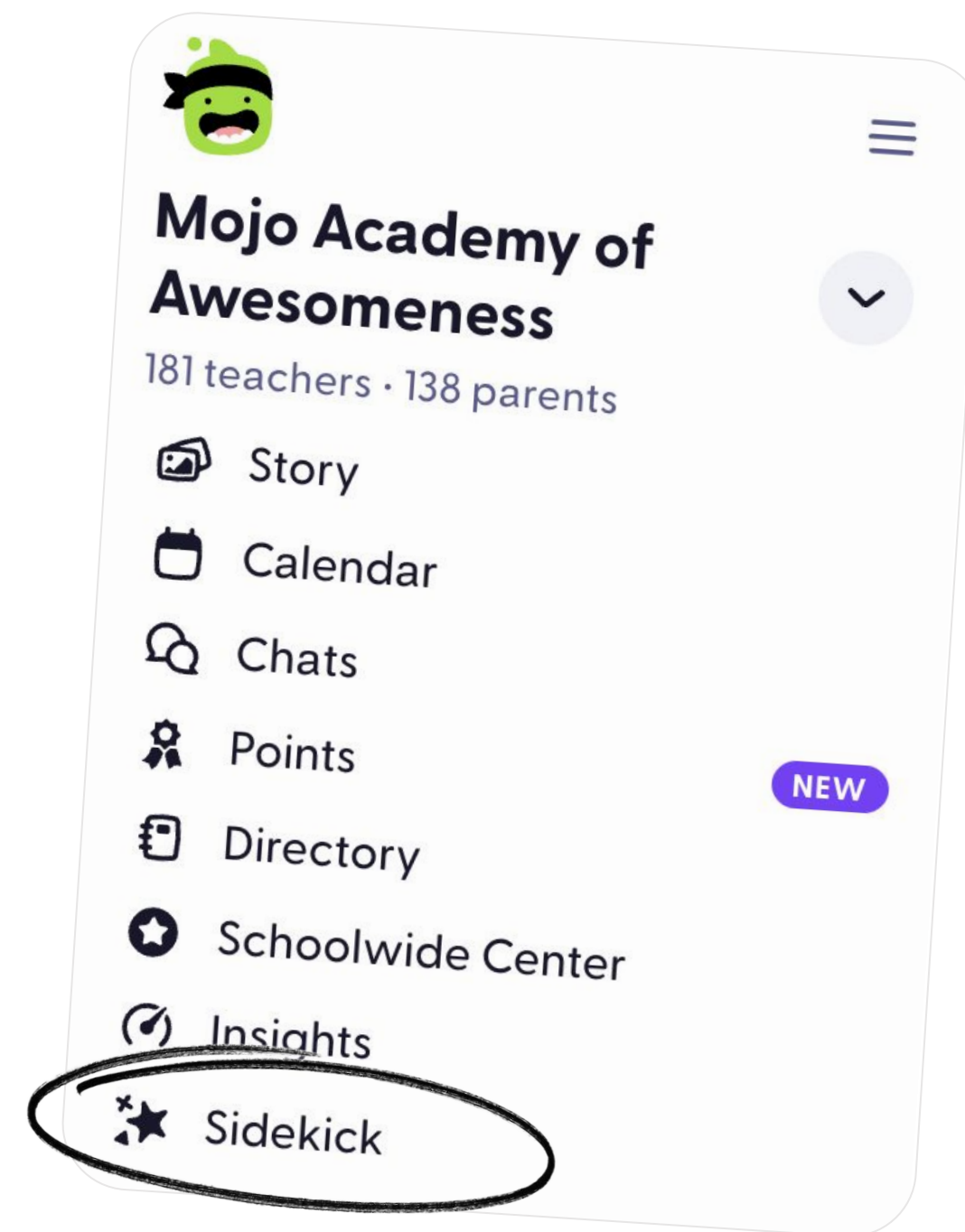
- Write a Class Story post
- Draft report card comments
- Write a message or respond to a message
- Create Behavior Intervention Plans
- Lesson Plans
- Create a quiz game



Let's Play—Caption This with Sidekick!

Use Sidekick's Story Post Caption tool to generate a caption for this moment

Drop your favorite AI-generated caption in the chat!



Tip #4: Dojo Islands

Dojo Islands is a safe, virtual playground within ClassDojo where students explore, play, and collaborate.

- **Virtual Collaboration:** Work together in the "Build Zone" to create structures using blocks like brick and ice.
- **STEM and Problem Solving:** Engage in curated activities and challenges that promote critical thinking.
- Log into your Class Settings to adjust when students can use Dojo Islands during the school day
- Looking for more? Check our full list of [Teacher FAQs](#)



Pro Tip - Use the Dojo Islands Welcome Kit

Use the Dojo Islands [Welcome Kit](#) to

- Review the Student Contract together
- Play Hide & Seek to explore the virtual space
- Try a Build Challenge as a small group activity
- Assign an intro task using one of the printable activities

Tip #5: Customize Student Avatars

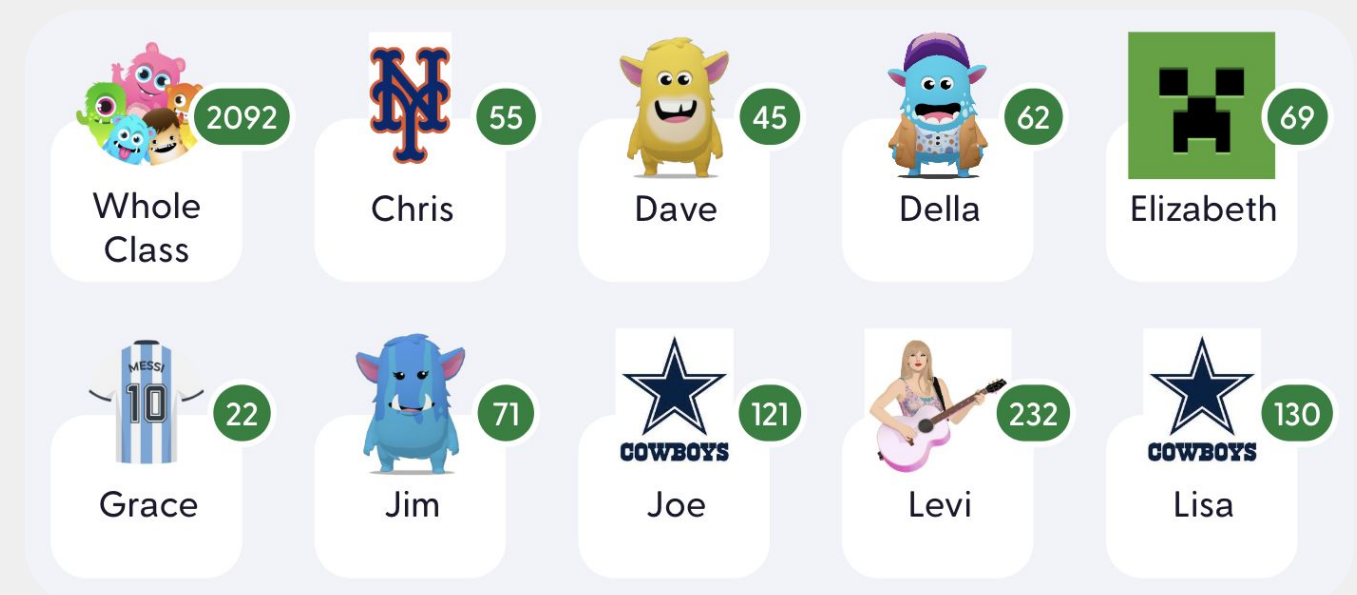
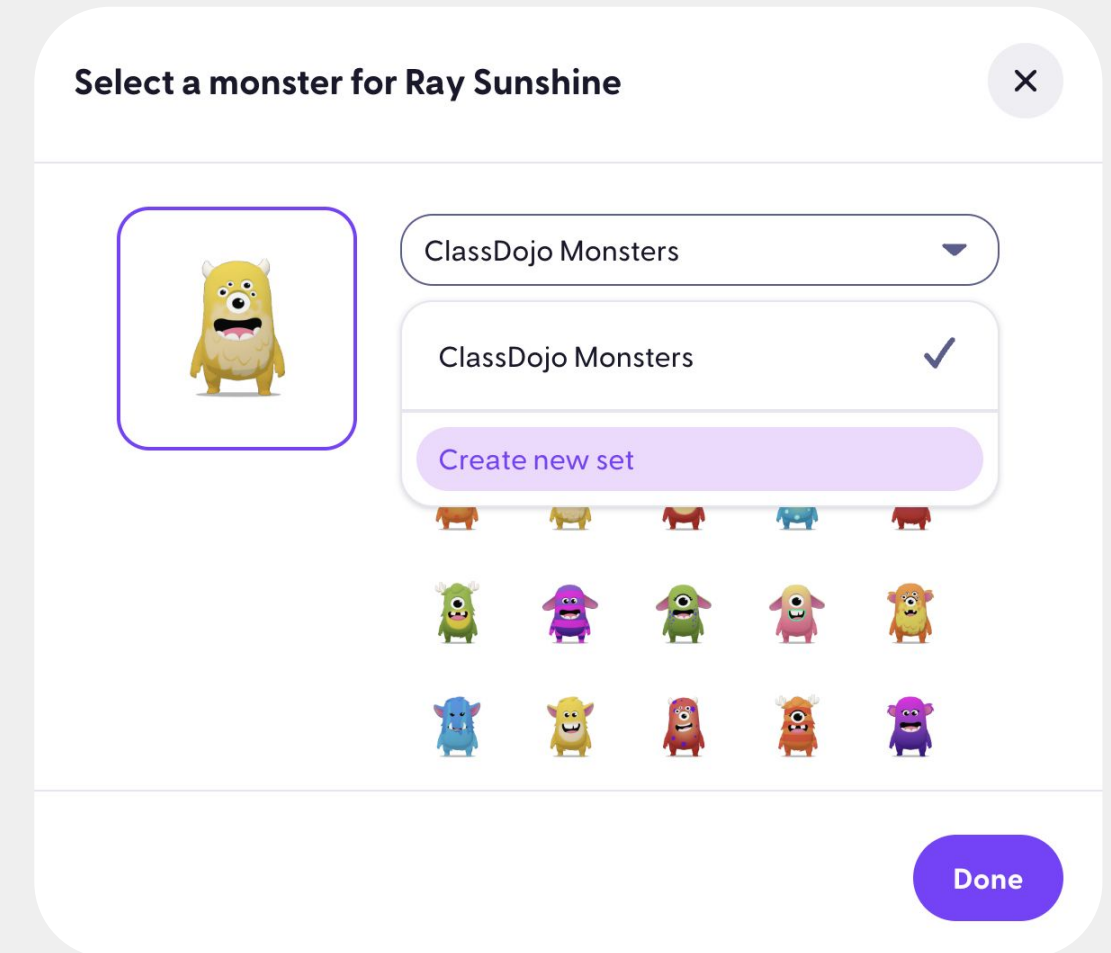
Give students a voice in how they show up in class! When students choose avatars they love, it boosts motivation and ownership.

- [Upload custom avatars](#), icons, or even student headshots to personalize the experience
- **Web-only feature:** Custom avatar uploads are currently only available on the ClassDojo website
- Want to switch back? Click "**Restore student-created monster**" to remove a custom avatar
- Check out these [Classic ClassDojo Avatars](#)!



Pro Tip - Tie avatar customizing to classroom rewards

Allow student to redeem Dojo points to change their avatar



Tip #6: Big Ideas & Conundrums

Build SEL skills with video, role-play, and [meaningful classroom conversations](#).



Engaging Video Series

Introduce students to empathy, growth mindset, and more alongside their favorite characters.

Discussion Guides & Follow-Ups

Support each lesson with ready-to-use guides and activities that make SEL stick.

Critical Thinking

Use Conundrums to increase problem solving and critical thinking skills during quick and engaging lessons

Tip #7: Mojo's Activity Corner

- Access ready-to-use classroom kits created by real ClassDojo educators
- Discover quick, fun activities on teamwork, growth mindset, respect & more

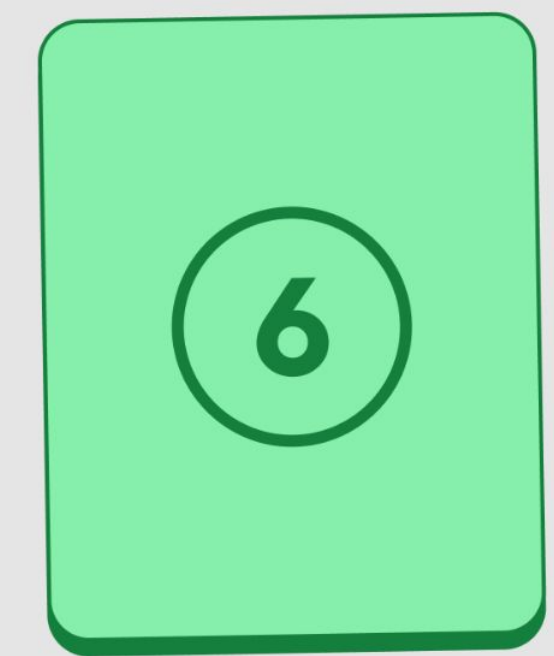
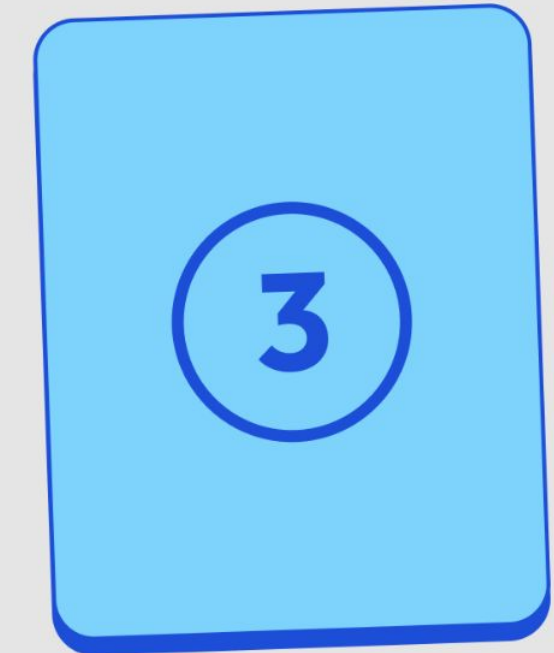
Use fan favorites like:

- [Calm Down Corner](#)
- [Setting SMART Goals](#)
- [Affirmation Mirror](#)
- [Dojo Store Kit](#)



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Answer: Side Kick

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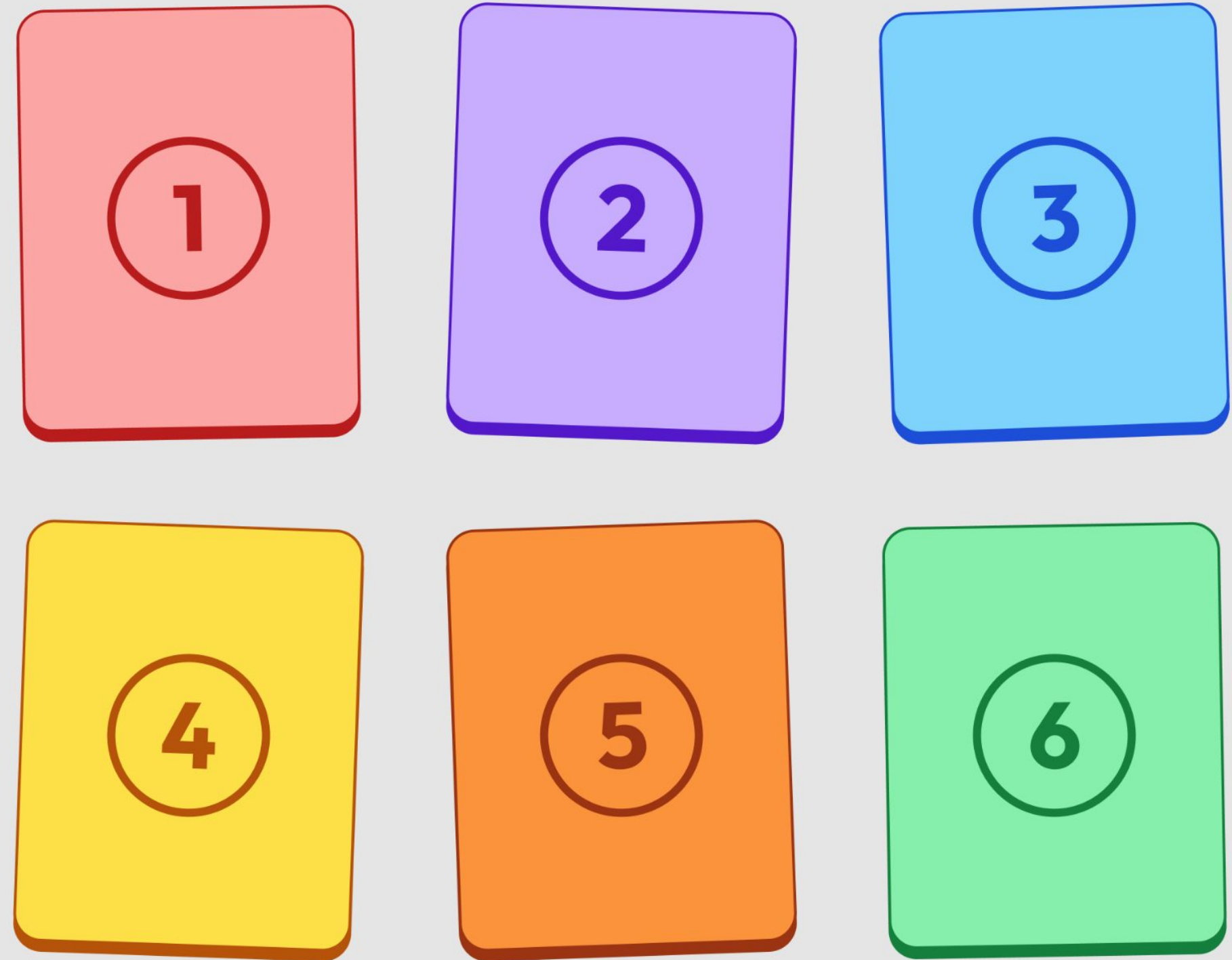
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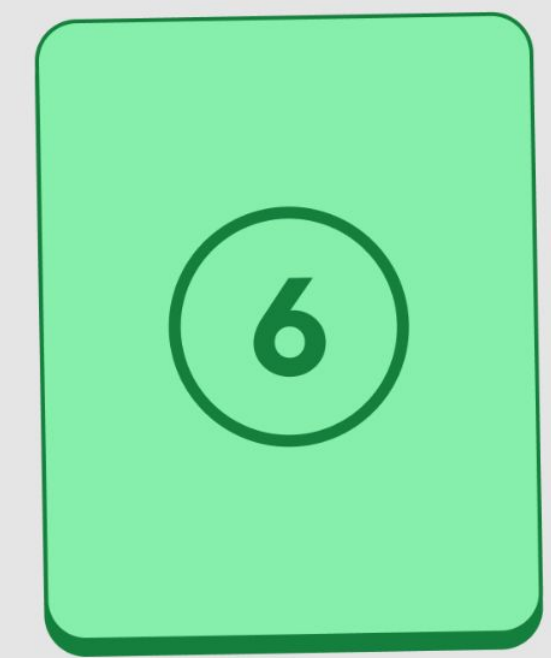
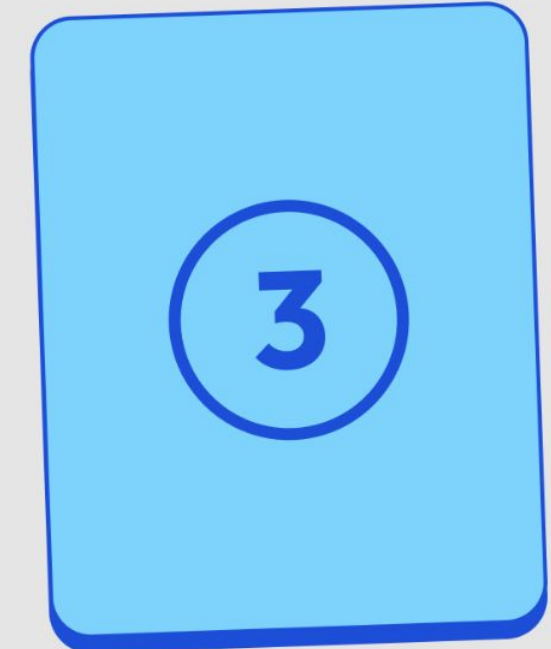
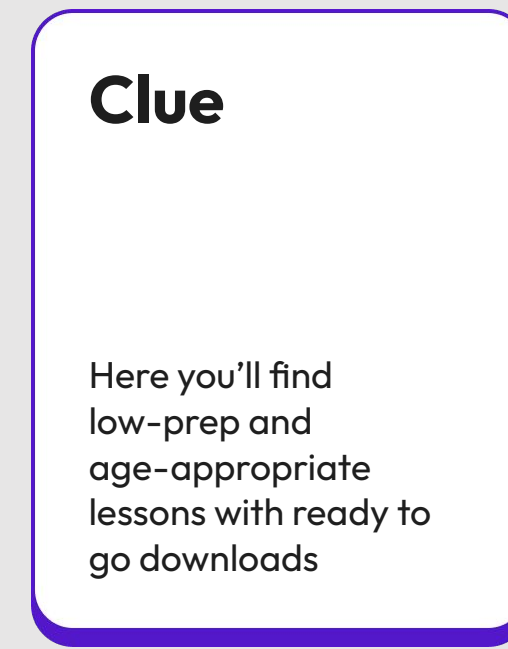
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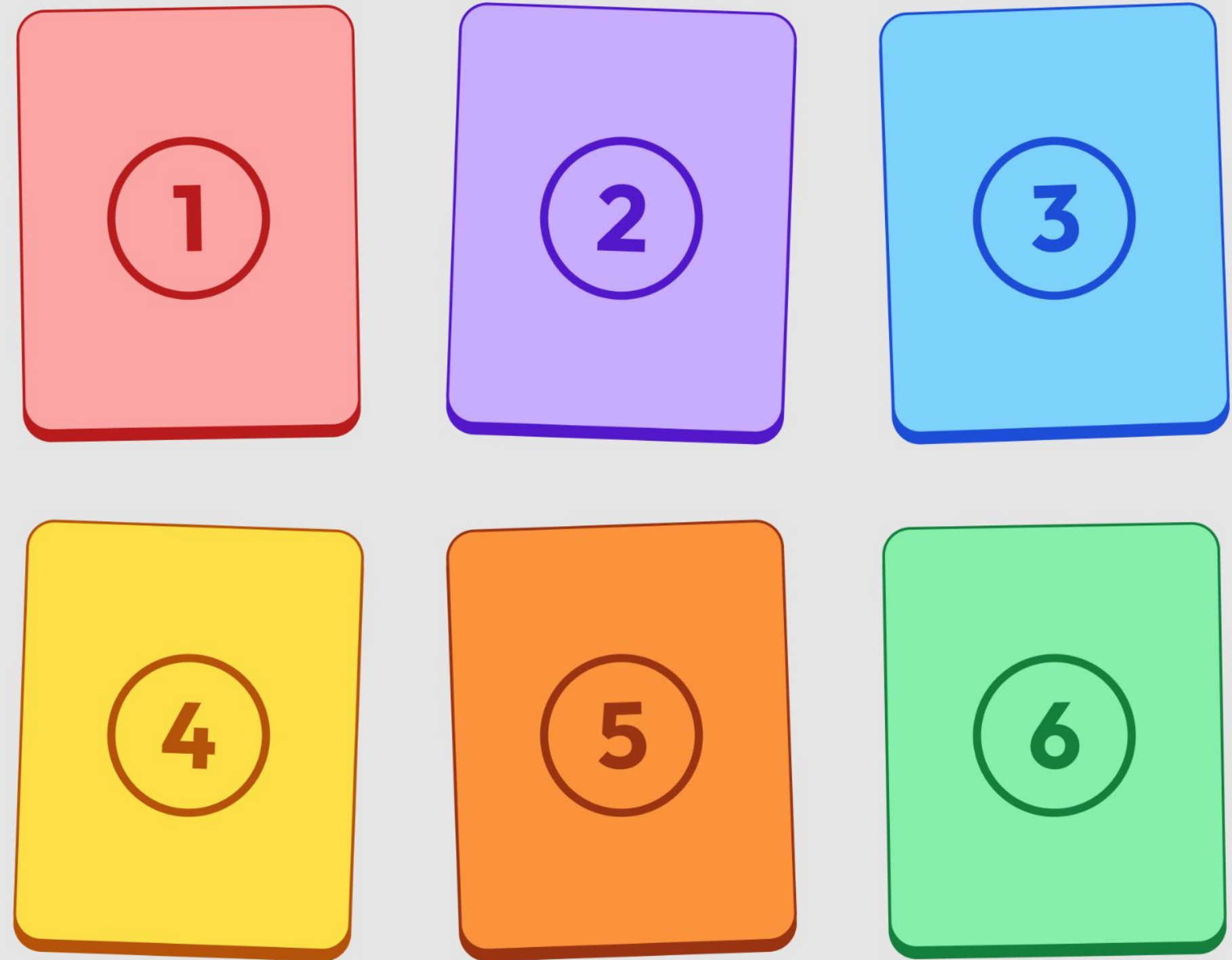
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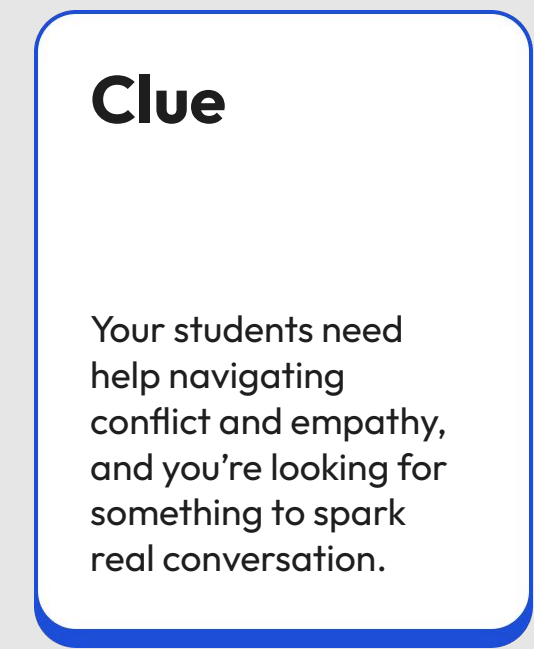
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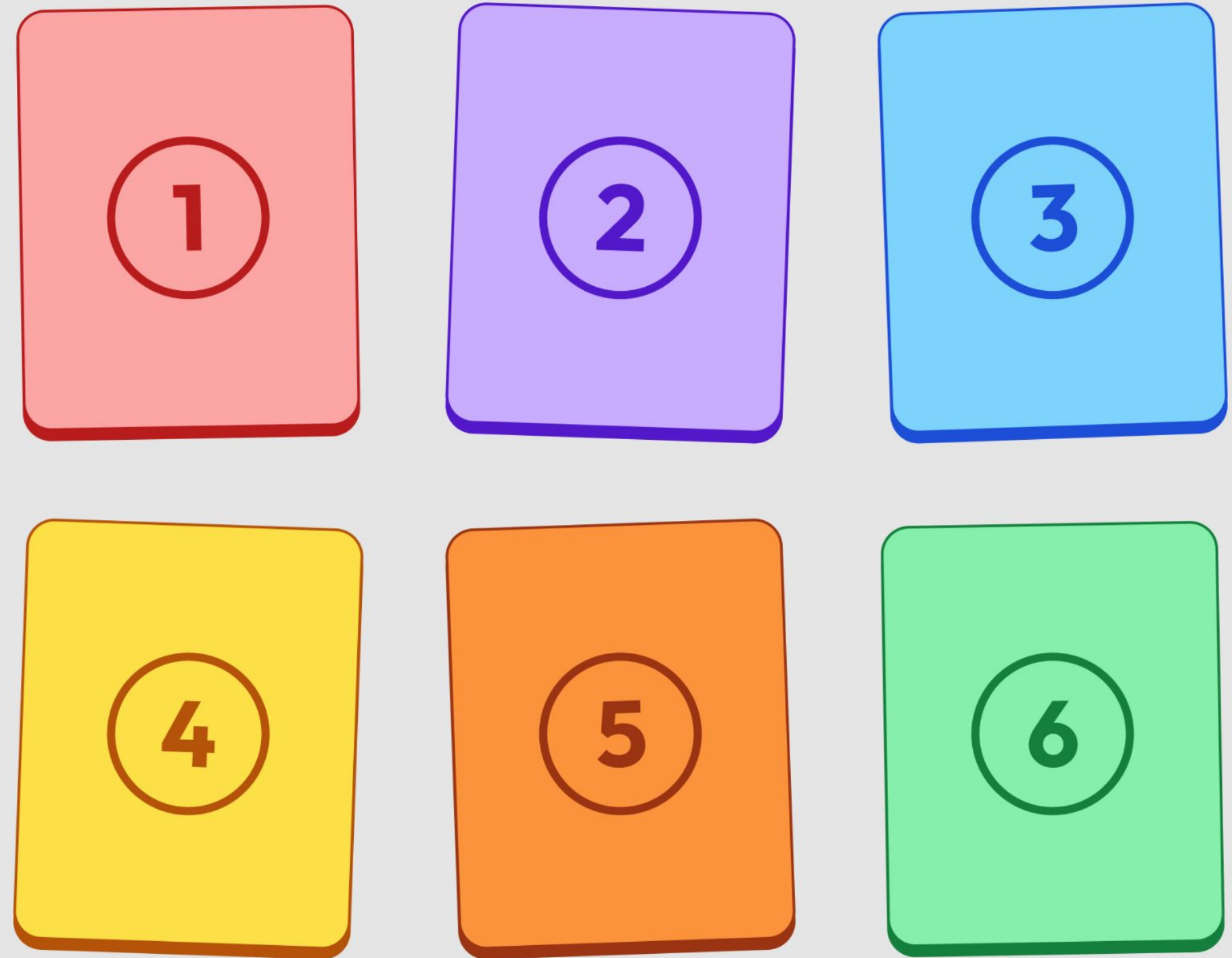
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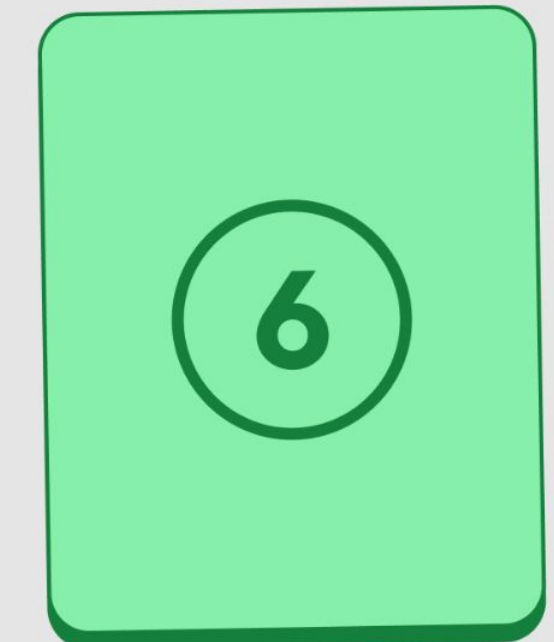
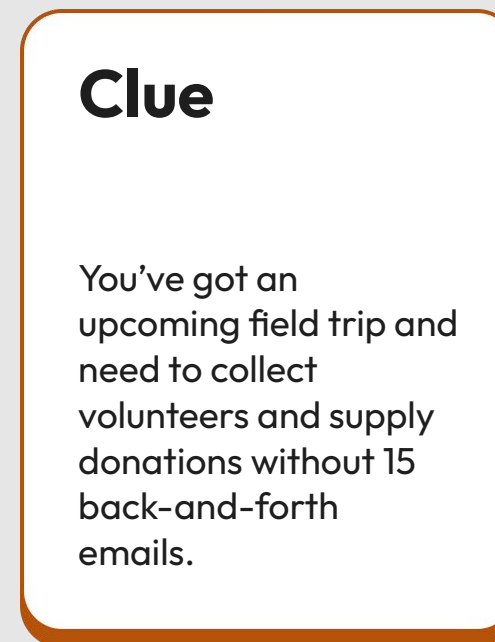
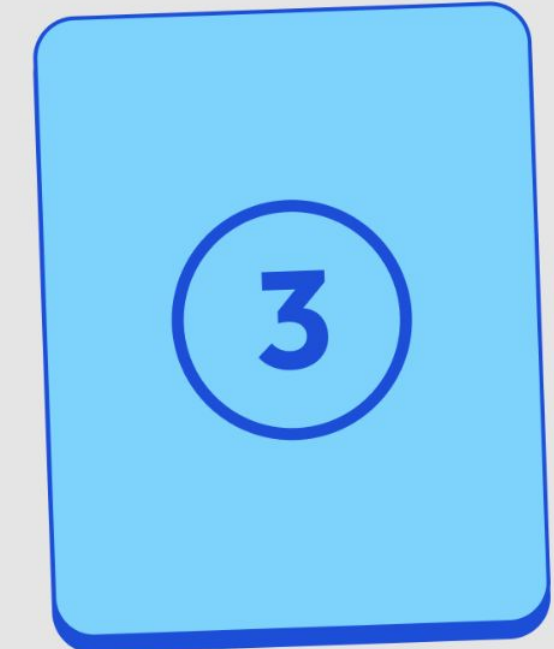
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The game interface consists of a central yellow box with a brown border containing the text "Scenario #4" and "Answer: Calendar & Sign Ups". Surrounding this central box are six colored squares, each with a number inside a circle: a red square with the number 1, a purple square with the number 2, a blue square with the number 3, an orange square with the number 5, and a green square with the number 6. To the left of the central box is a white box with a brown border containing the word "Clue" and a paragraph of text.

Scenario #4

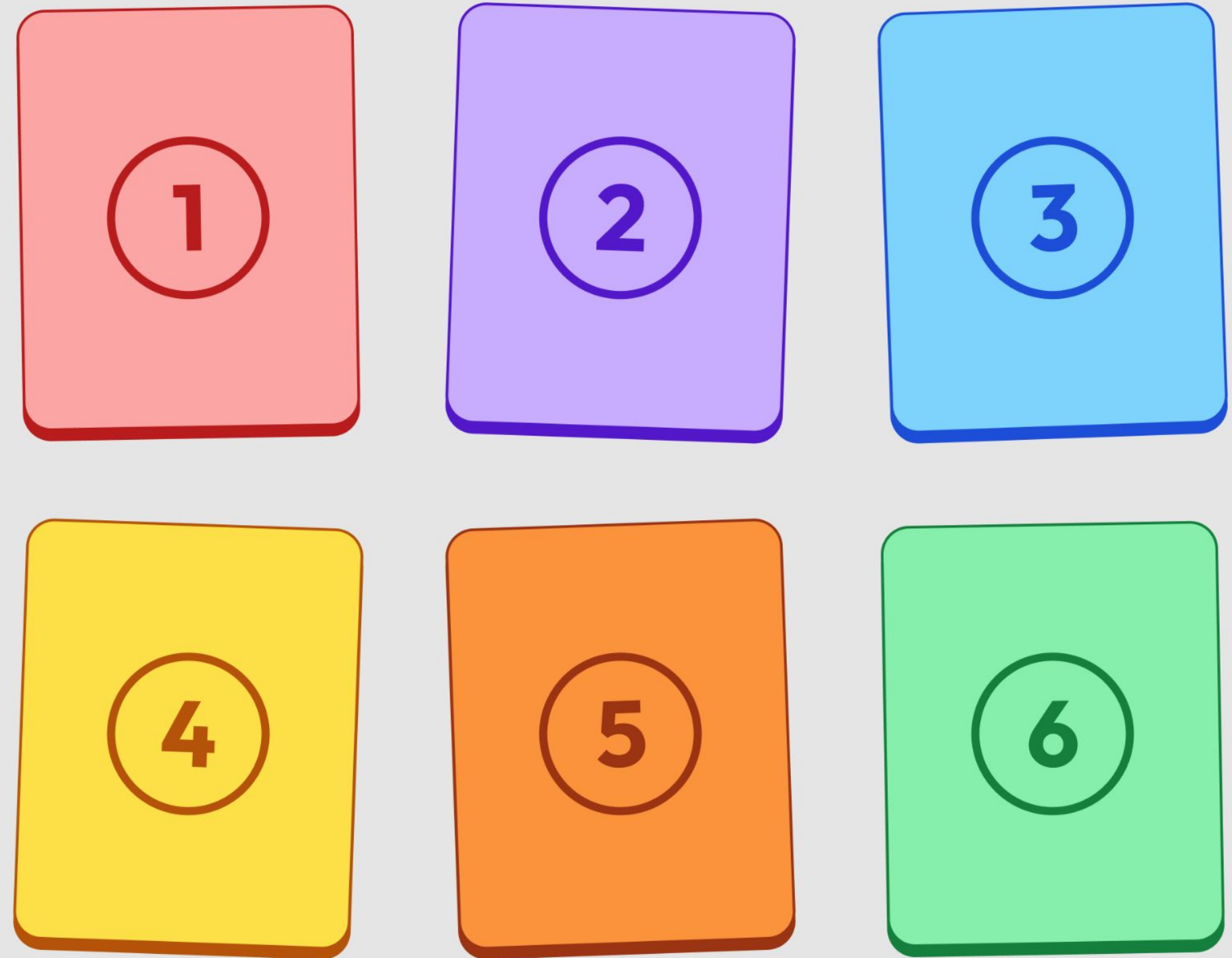
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Clue

You've got an upcoming field trip and need to collect volunteers and supply donations without 15 back-and-forth emails.

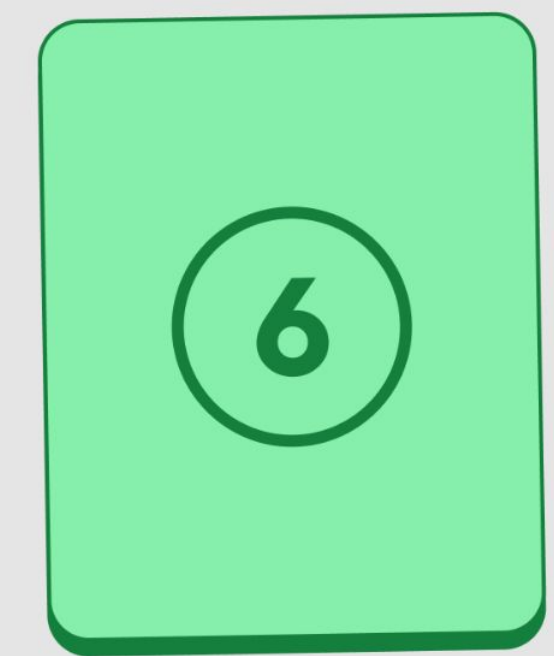
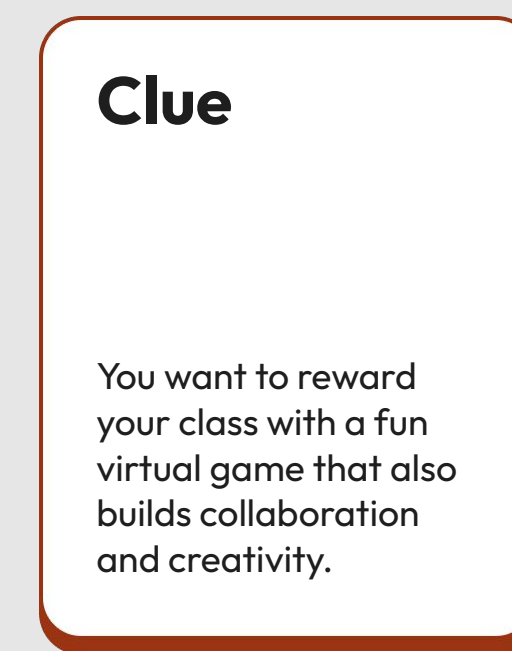
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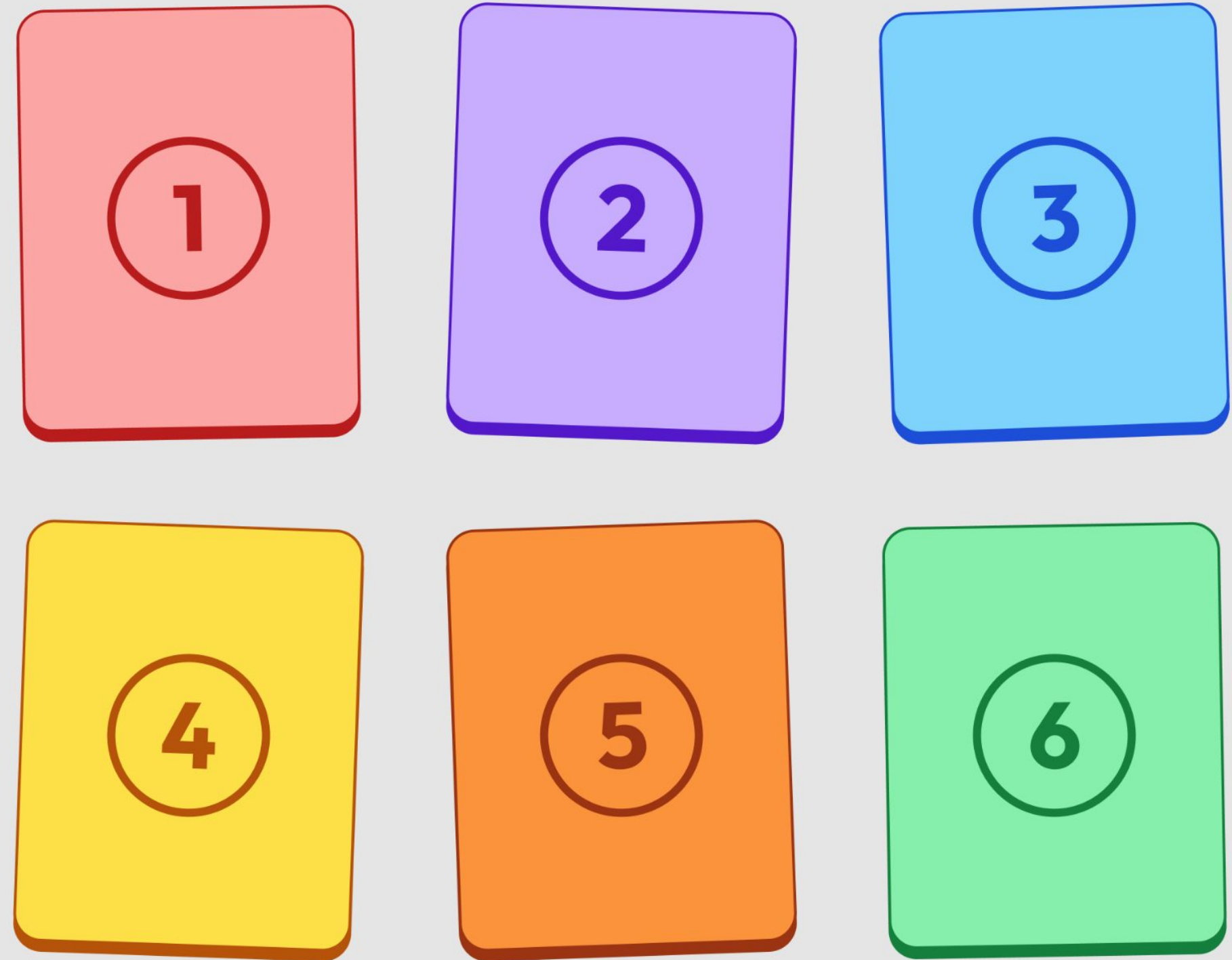
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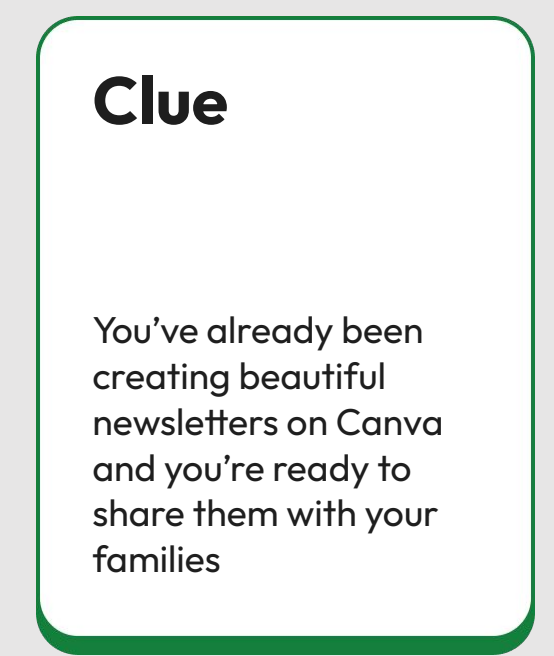
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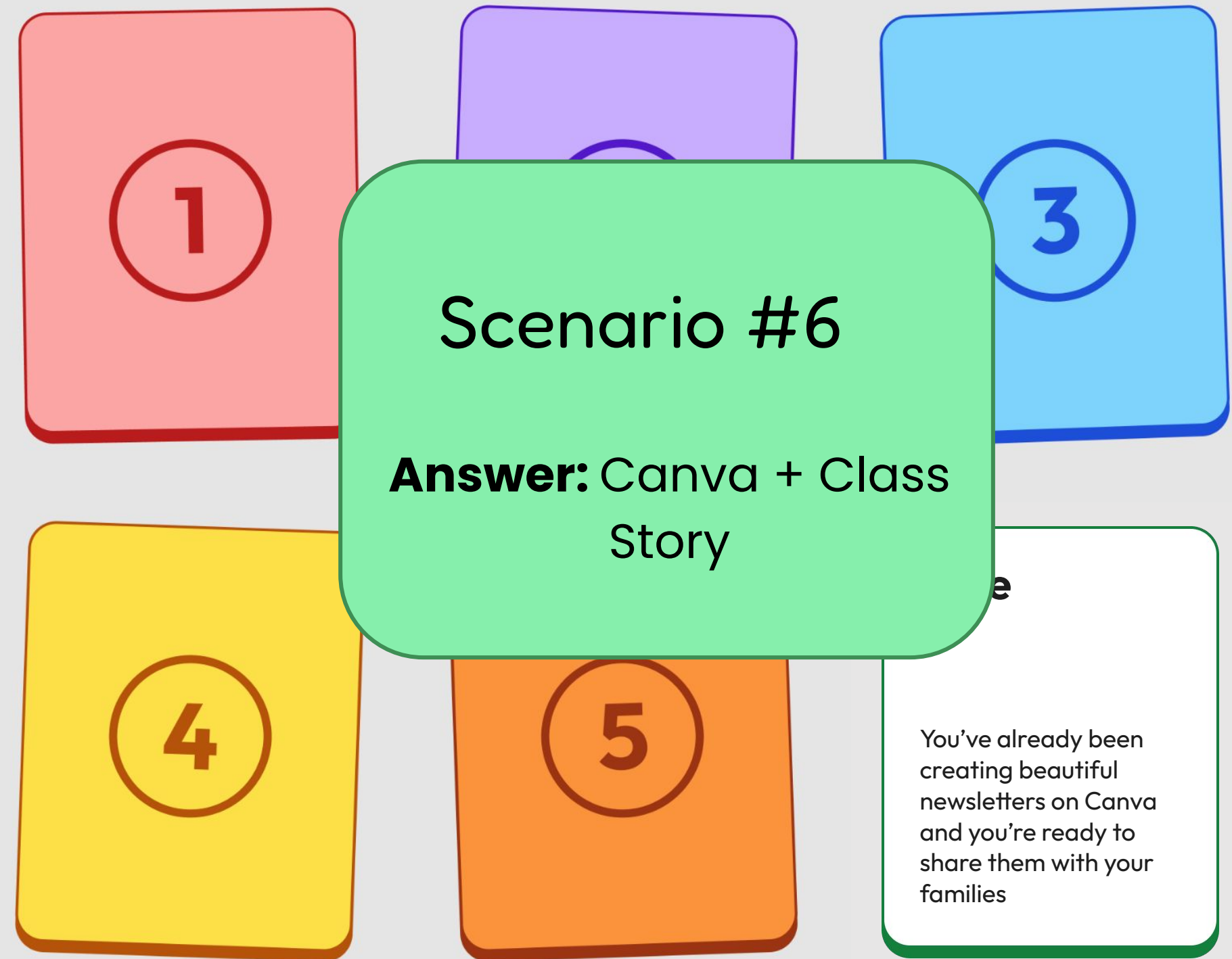
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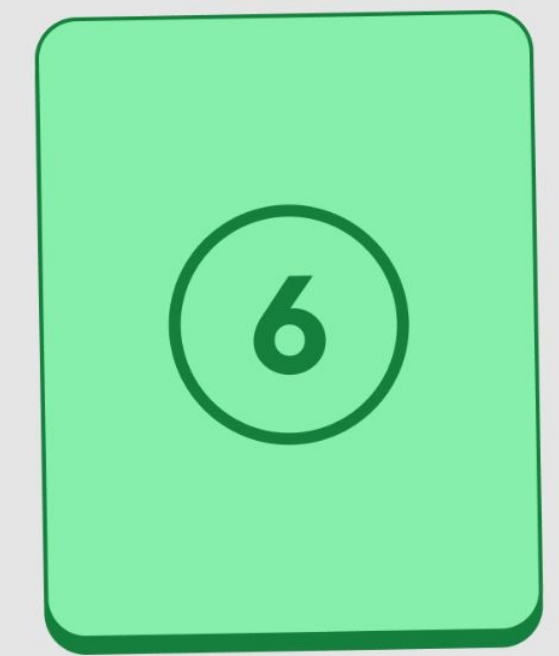


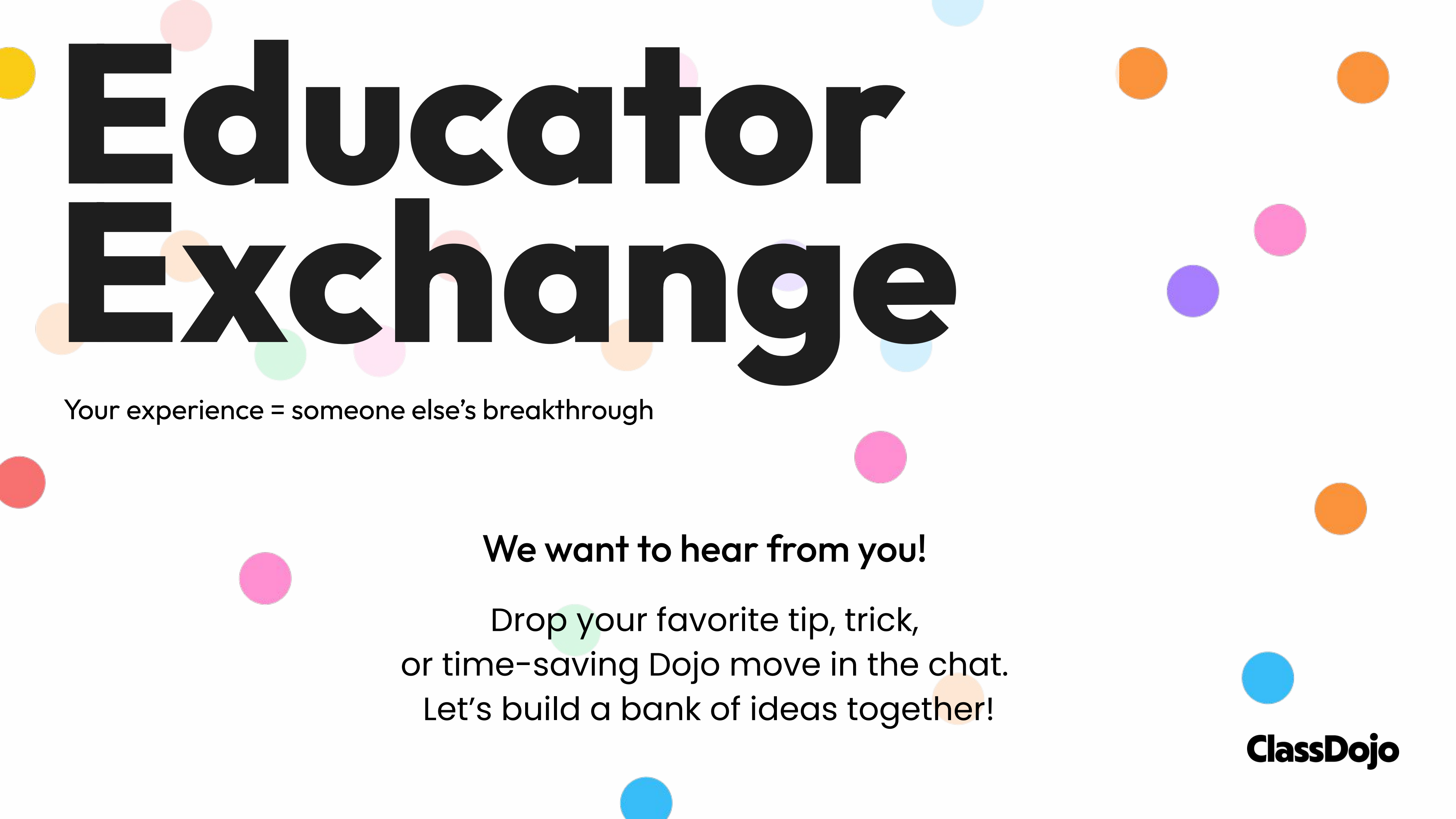
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**Thanks for
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Educator Exchange

Your experience = someone else's breakthrough

We want to hear from you!

Drop your favorite tip, trick,
or time-saving Dojo move in the chat.
Let's build a bank of ideas together!

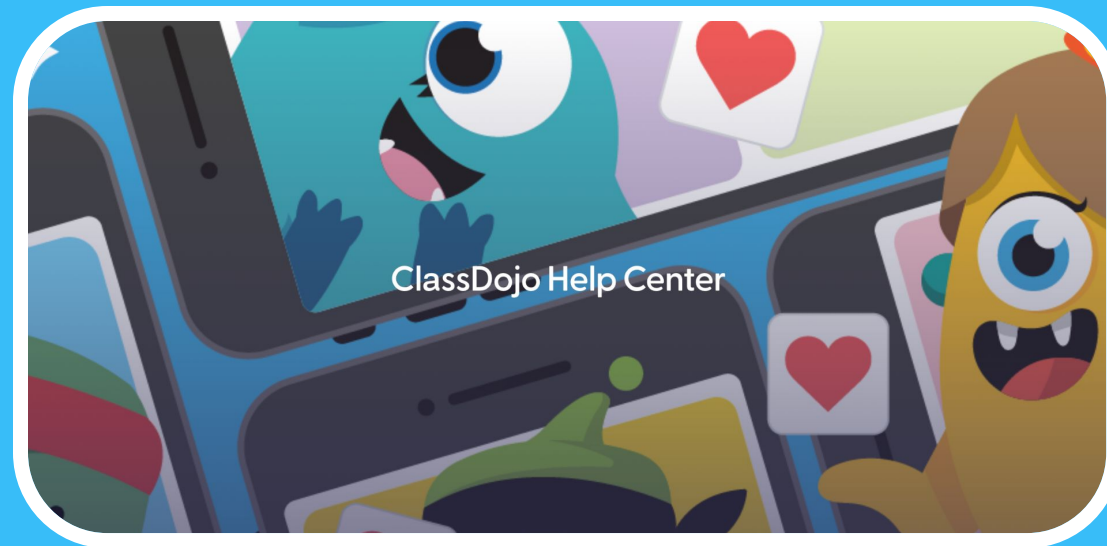
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Need a little inspiration?

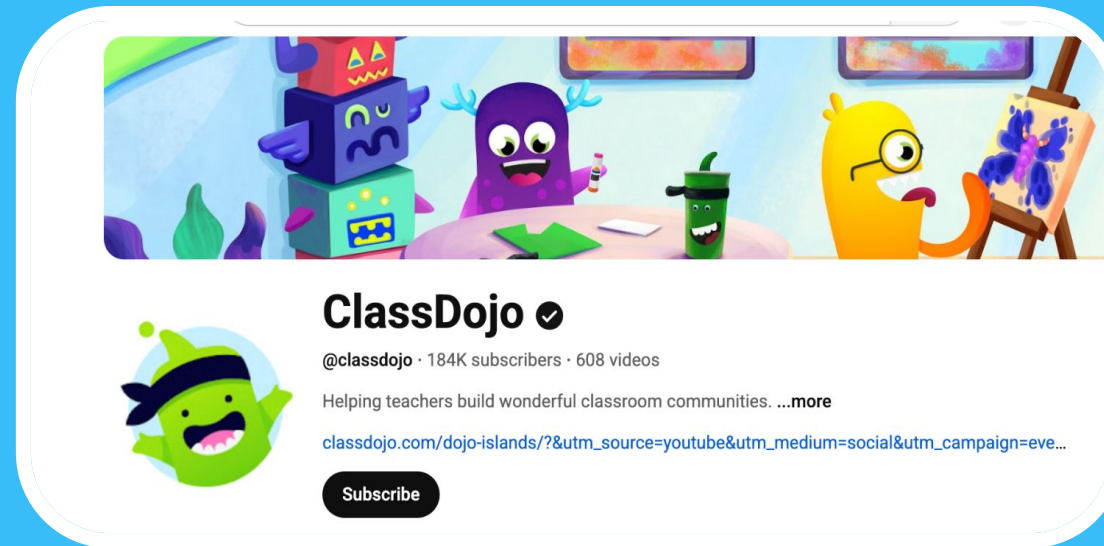
Try sharing...

- A ClassDojo feature you can't live without
- Your go-to time-saving trick
- A favorite reward idea or class incentive
- A creative way you've used Sidekick
- How you use Calendar or Announcements to stay organized
- How you've used Sidekick to simplify your workflow
- A moment when ClassDojo helped you build classroom community

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