

Orville Wright

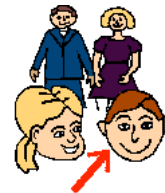


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Orville Wright was born August 19,



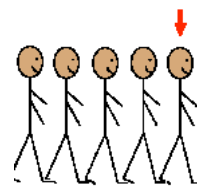
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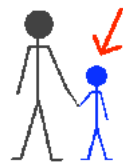
1871. He and his brother invented,



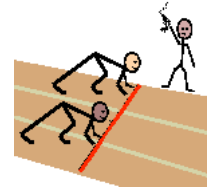
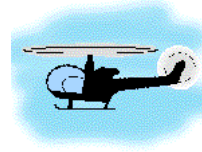
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built, and flew the first airplane.



When he was a child, Orville was



given a toy helicopter. This started



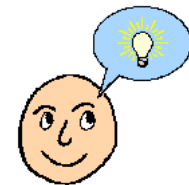
his interest in flying. The



Wright brothers studied all the time,



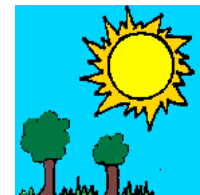
learning as much as they could about



flying. People laughed at their ideas



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that airplanes might one day fly



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people and mail around the world.

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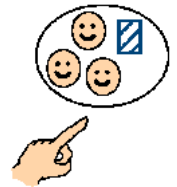
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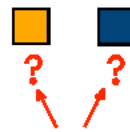
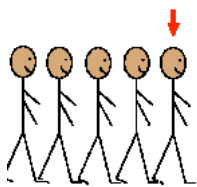
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government asked them to build



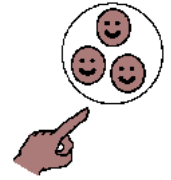
airplanes for the military. Many of their



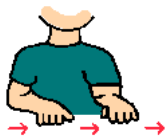
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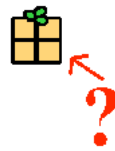
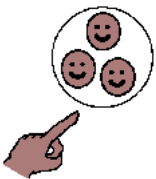
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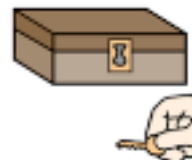
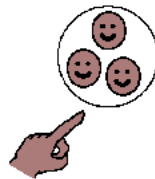
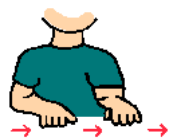
were **persistent**. Persistent means they



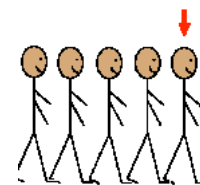
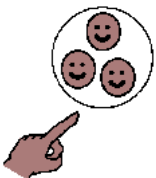
did not give up, but kept trying.



They believed in what they were



doing. Because they kept working,



they built and flew the first



airplane. Today airplanes are used to



fly



people



and



mail



around the



world.