



News-2-You  
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Program Features & Implementation  
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| • Vocabulary                     | • Communication Board |
| • Recipe                         | • Holidays            |
| • Interactive Extension Activity | • "In the News"       |
| • Joke                           | • Skills Worksheet    |
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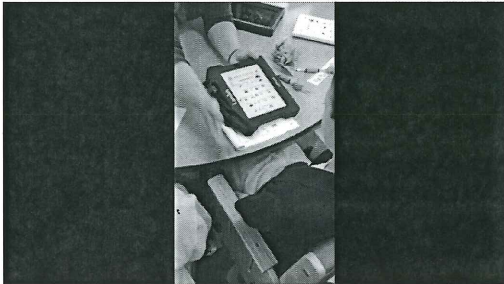
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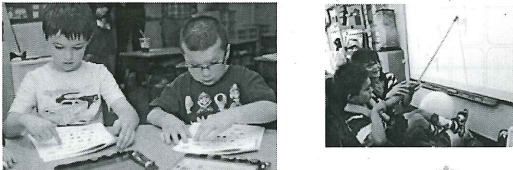
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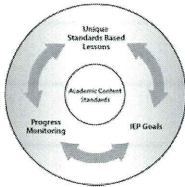
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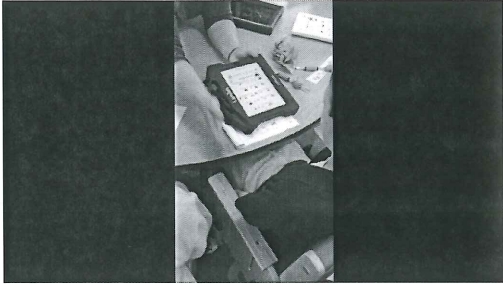
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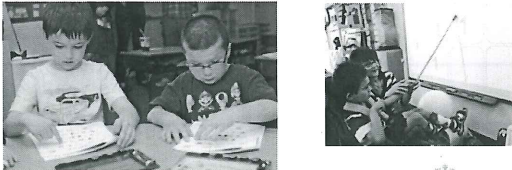
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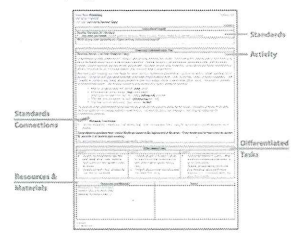
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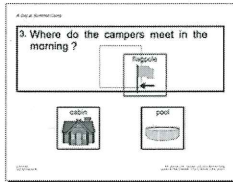
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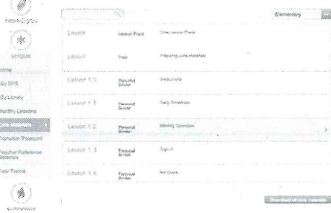
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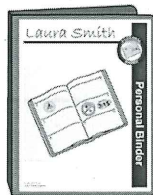
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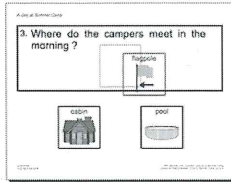
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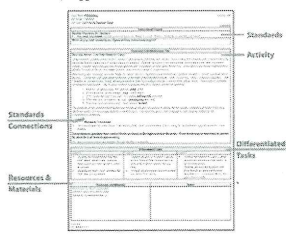
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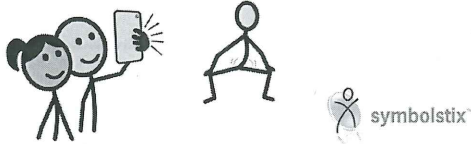
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### SymbolStix

Online symbol set provided complimentary with any Unique Learning System or News-2-You subscription.

- The symbol set contains over 25,000 ready-to-use symbols that can be downloaded and used in the creation of supporting materials in the classroom.
- Contains a variety of templates, in which teachers can create activities, games, and communication boards directly within the web-based subscription.
- Symbol library is updated weekly.



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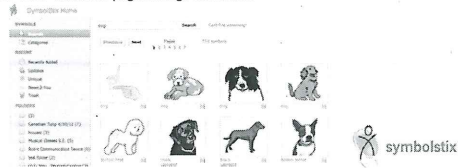
- The SymbolStix library currently contains over 25,000 line drawn symbols.
- SymbolStix updates weekly with new symbols.
- New symbols can be viewed under the RECENT menu.

#### Search for Symbols

- Easily find the symbols you need by using our simple search features.

#### Keyword Search

- In the member area you will see a search box. Symbols have been tagged with a keyword and many synonyms. Simply type in a word and click search. Make sure to click the "Next" button to page through all results.



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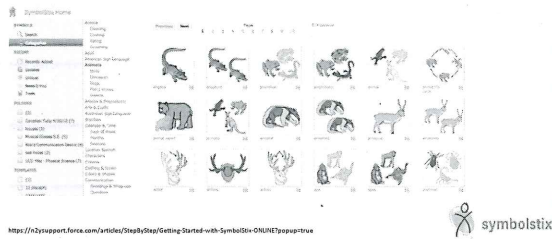
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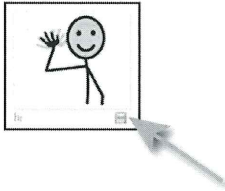
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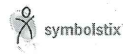
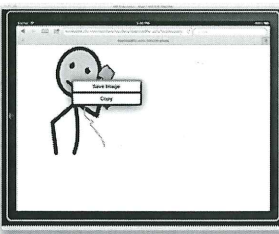
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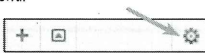
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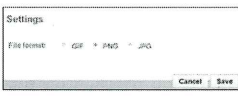
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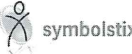
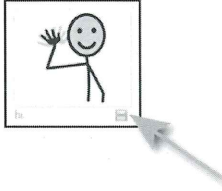
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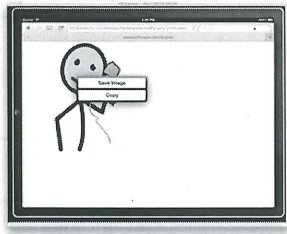
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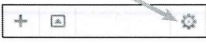
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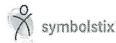
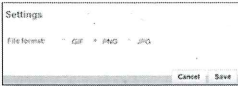
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**Symbol Formats**

- Symbols are available in three formats on the website.
- Subscribers can download GIF, PNG and JPG symbols.
- To change the format of symbols, click the gear icon in the bottom right corner of the menu.



- Select a format and save.
- Symbols downloaded will save in the format that was selected in Settings.



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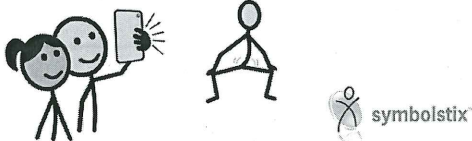
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### SymbolStix

Online symbol set provided complimentary with any Unique Learning System or News-2-You subscription.

- The symbol set contains over 25,000 ready-to-use symbols that can be downloaded and used in the creation of supporting materials in the classroom.
- Contains a variety of templates, in which teachers can create activities, games, and communication boards directly within the web-based subscription.
- Symbol library is updated weekly.



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### SymbolStix

#### Search & Download Symbols

- The SymbolStix library currently contains over 25,000 line drawn symbols.
- SymbolStix updates weekly with new symbols.
- New symbols can be viewed under the RECENT menu.

#### Search for Symbols

- Easily find the symbols you need by using our simple search features.

#### Keyword Search

- In the member area you will see a search box. Symbols have been tagged with a keyword and many synonyms. Simply type in a word and click search. Make sure to click the "Next" button to page through all results.



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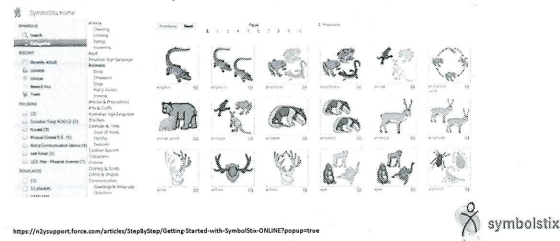
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#### Category Search

- Select "Categories" from the left side menu bar.
- A list of all categories and sub-categories will appear.
- Select a category to see all of its contents.
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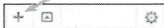
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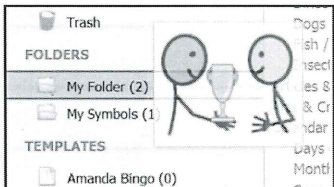
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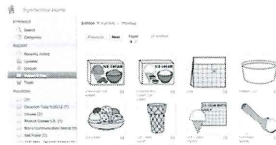
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#### Create with Symbols

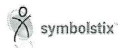
- **Pre-made templates** in SymbolStix can be customized by adding symbols and text.

#### Create Templates & Add Symbols

- Click the plus (+) button in the bottom left menu and select Template.



- Select a template from the drop-down of available templates, give your template a name and click Create.
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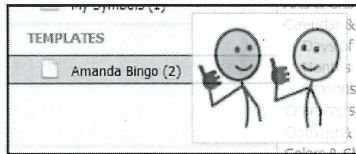
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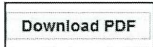
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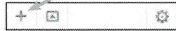
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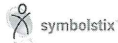
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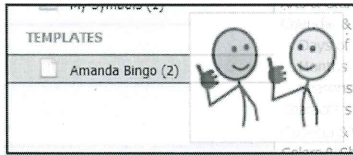
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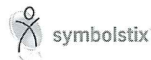
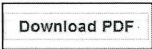
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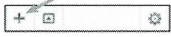
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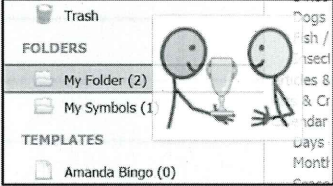
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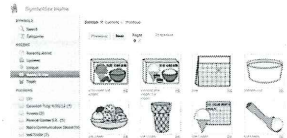
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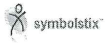
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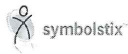
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### SymbolStix

#### 3rd Party Creation Software

- Subscribers can use creation software, such as Microsoft Word or PowerPoint, to produce activities with downloaded symbols.
- *Activities that are created using SymbolStix are to be solely for the purpose of instruction over the subscriber's classroom.*



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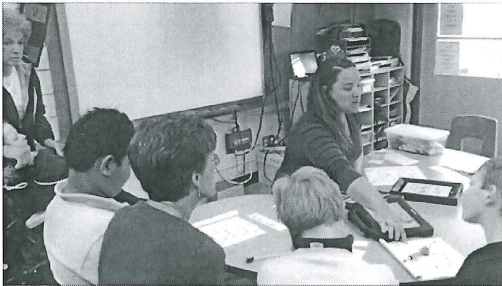
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### News-2-You Lesson



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