

Gifted and Talented

You are considering dropping out. You feel invisible at school. You eat lunch alone, the kids aren't mean but they all ignore you. You do not volunteer to participate in class and consequently your teachers don't talk to you. You feel like school is not challenging enough.

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You feel bullied at school and you are too afraid to tell any adults. The school staff members are nice enough, but they don't relate to you and you don't want to bring any more attention to yourself. You fake being sick a lot to stay home to avoid your bully.

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School work comes easy to you. You are able to excel at school and earn high grades, but some of the work is not interesting and you are often bored in class. You sometimes feel like your teachers just don't understand you.

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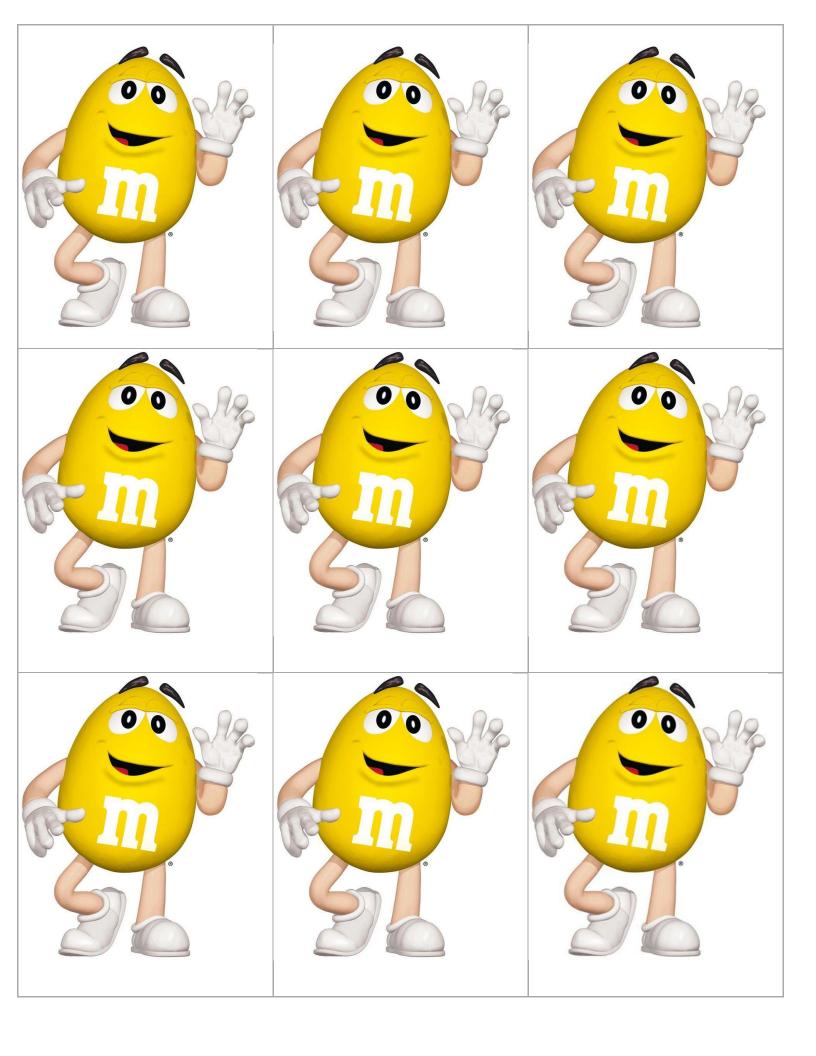
You have a lot of friends at school and are involved in many clubs and extracurricular activities. Although you are engaged socially, you sometimes struggle to keep up with the demands of extracurricular commitments and school work. It is very stressful at times.

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Although you have been identified as "gifted", you often have a hard time understanding the course content and feel that you are not as smart as your other classmates. Everyone expects you to do well academically and you are afraid you will disappoint them.

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You would like to be involved in more activities outside of the classroom, like clubs and sports. Unfortunately, there are limited opportunities at your school and you do not know how to get involved with the ones that do exist.



English Learners

You love school, but sometimes you don't understand the lessons in class. Often the teachers move too quickly through the course material. Other students seem to understand perfectly and you feel like something is wrong with you. You are frustrated and don't know how to make it better.

English Learners

You understand and speak
English very well, but
sometimes you don't
understand the questions on
tests. You believe your test
scores do not reflect how
much you really know. You
have thought about telling
your teacher how you feel, but
you are embarrassed and have
not talked to her yet.

English Learners

You have a strong accent and you are very proud of knowing two languages. Other students sometimes tease you because of your accent. Although they think it is funny, their comments hurt your feelings. You would like to tell them to stop, but you think they will only say more mean things if you do.

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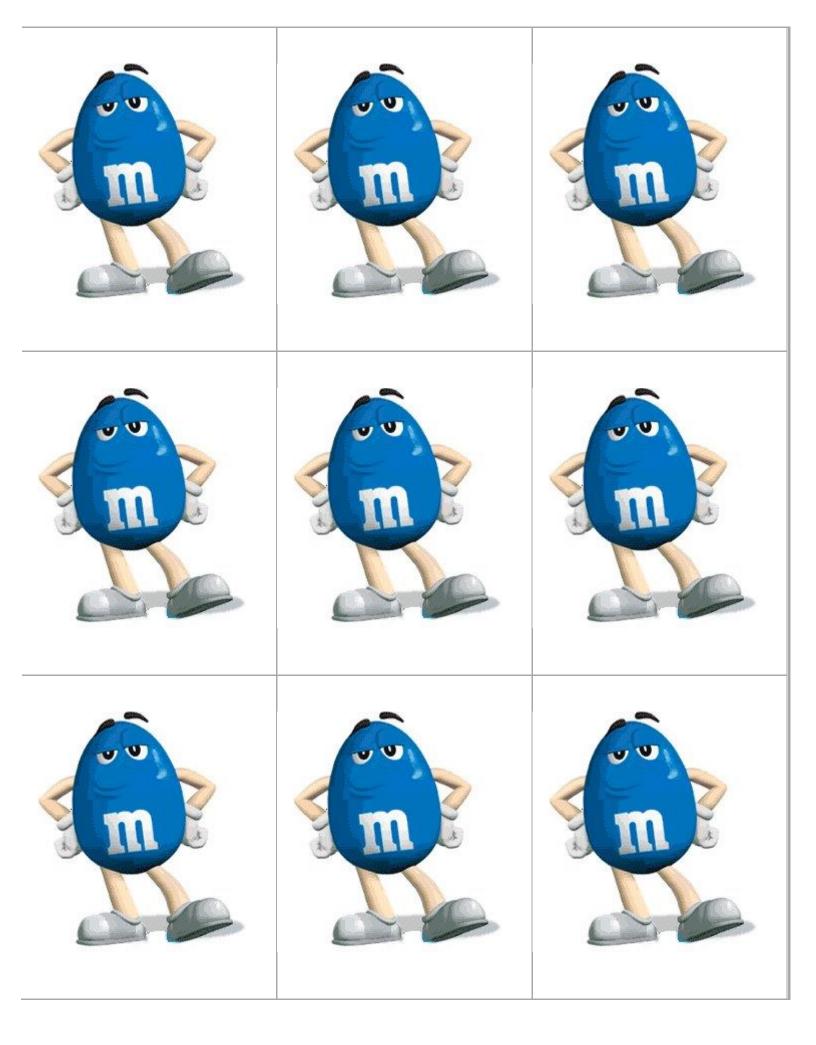
You sometimes struggle with coursework. You would like your parents to help you with your school work, but they do not speak English and are confused by the assignments. Your friends are able to help you when they have time. You feel you could do better in school if you had more support.

English Learners

You rarely get called on in class and you feel like your teachers do not believe you are smart. Sometimes you doubt that you can complete the coursework and you begin to think that school is not right for you. You are starting to think that you will not go to college after high school.

English Learners

Your parents immigrated to the United States 25 years ago. Although you have lived in Reno your whole life, people often ask you where you came from and you feel like you don't belong. You have a teacher you can talk to, but you wish you had more friends who share your experience.



Housing Insecurity

Your dad was laid off last year and hasn't been able to find a steady job. You are living with your aunt, but there is not enough space or quiet time to do your homework. You do really well in school, but you are not able to keep up with your course work.

Housing Insecurity

Your family is staying at your grandma and grandpa's house because you have no other place to stay. You love it there, but you are anxious because you know your mom does not want to live there. You worry about leaving your grandparents' home, and this distracts you from your school work.

Housing Insecurity

Your mother has part time work, and your father is gone. You have lived in three different motels this school year and feel tired and scared. You love school, but it is hard to keep up with school work because you worry a lot about your mom.

Housing Insecurity

Your family lost their house and you have no relatives in town. You now live at a local shelter. The people there are nice and seem hopeful, and there is help with homework. But you feel anxiety because your parents don't like being there.

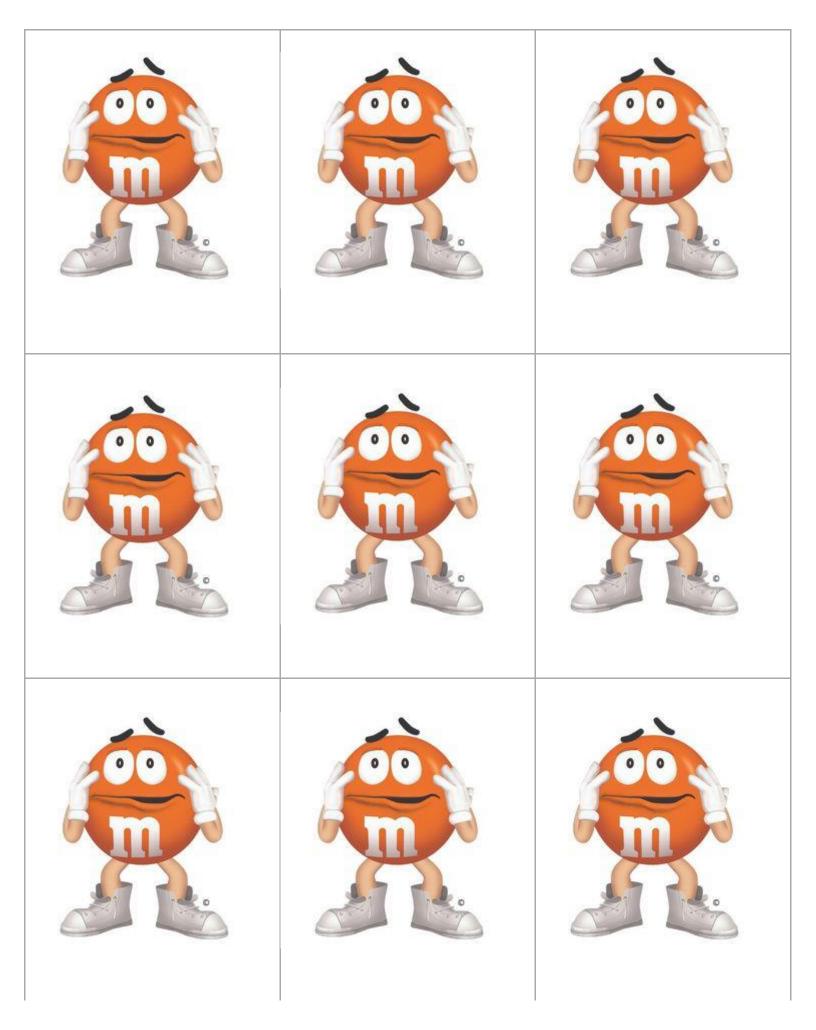
Housing Insecurity

You moved back in with your mom this school year after spending a year in foster care. She has been having trouble lately, but has been very attentive to you.

Unfortunately, you have no place to live — some nights you stay at friends' houses and some nights you sleep in the car.

Housing Insecurity

You and your brother are staying at your aunt's house because your dad has been having some trouble. Your cousins are mean to you and tell you that they don't like when you do stuff (like practice your instrument or spread out your homework) "in their house."



Living with a Disability

You have a learning disability that makes it hard to read. Your friends don't know about your disability and you are afraid they will not understand it. You try to hide your disability by pretending your mistakes are made on purpose. You sometimes feel like your friends don't know who you really are.

Living with a Disability

You have a disability that makes it hard to move around. You wish you could play sports like other students, but your disability prevents you from joining a school team. You are able to play games, but other students don't ask you to join them because they assume you can't do anything.

Living with a Disability

You have an aide at school who helps you in class with your coursework. Although you are able to learn as much as other students, you feel that others think you are not smart. You sometimes feel bad and wish you didn't have an aide, but you know that she helps you when you have challenges.

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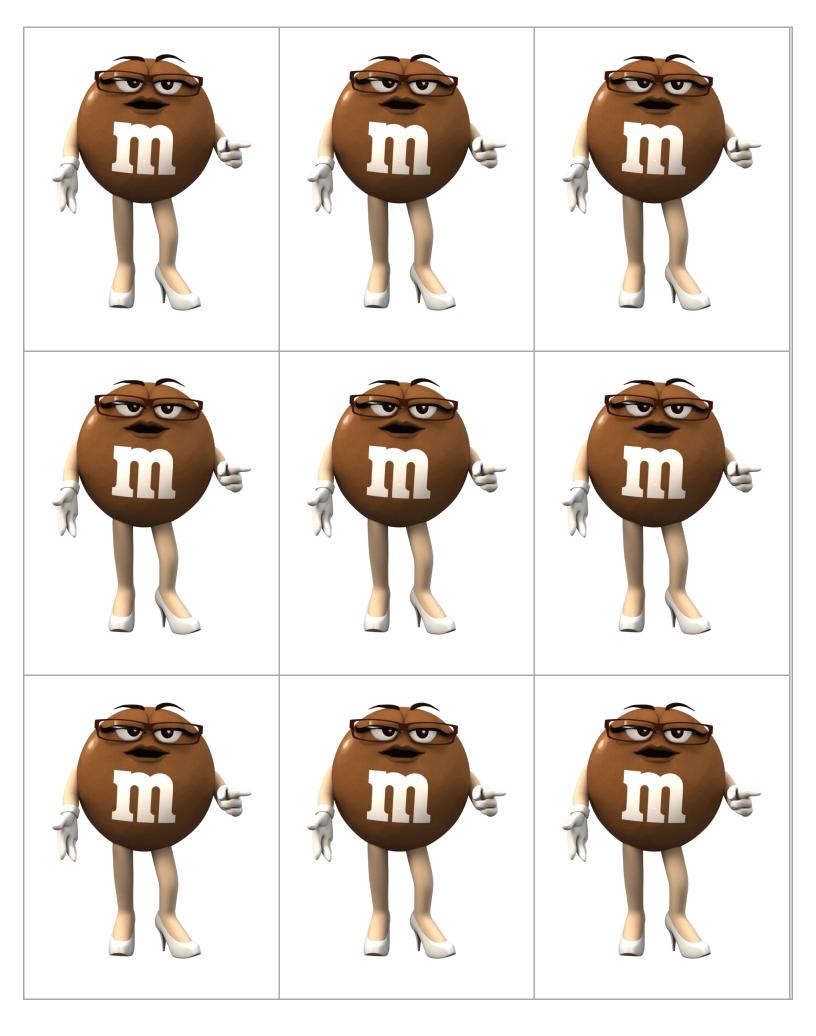
You would like to be involved in clubs and other activities outside of the classroom, but no one has asked you to join. You suspect you have not been asked because you have a disability and you feel left out. You are not sure who to talk to about feeling this way and so you keep it to yourself.

Living with a Disability

Students often make fun of you because of your disability. You feel depressed and you are thinking of dropping out to avoid the bullies. You want to graduate and you are a good student, but you just don't feel like you can take it anymore.

Living with a Disability

You would like take an AP course in math, but your school counselor suggested you take another class because of your learning disability. You feel like you could do well in an AP class, but you do not want to question the school counselor's guidance.



Living in Poverty

You would like to join a club or sports team, but the costs seem to be too much and your family can't afford it. You are embarrassed and so you don't reach out to ask for financial help from your teachers or principal.

Living in Poverty

You are having trouble understanding the lessons in class. A teacher offered to tutor you after school, but your parents can't pick you up because they both work late. You don't know who to talk to about this at your school and so you don't accept your teacher's offer to help.

Living in Poverty

You are an exceptional student and you dream about going to college. Your friends have started to apply to colleges and universities and you would like to too, but the cost of applying stops you from doing so. You're not sure how you are going to pay for your applications.

Living in Poverty

You love your family very much and you have many friends in school. Sometimes you feel embarrassed because your family does not have as much money as your friends' families, and so you avoid having your friends over to your house. You even discourage your parents from coming to your school.

Living in Poverty

Your family sometimes does not have enough money to buy groceries and so you occasionally miss breakfast and lunch. When this happens you are hungry and your stomach growls in class. You try to hide it because you are embarrassed. Sometimes your hunger prevents you from paying attention in class.

Living in Poverty

Your mom works two jobs to pay for your family expenses. You have younger siblings you take care of in the morning and after school. You are often late to school and you are failing your first and second period classes. You would like to pass those classes, but your family commitments must come first.