Self-Portraits

We Are All Different



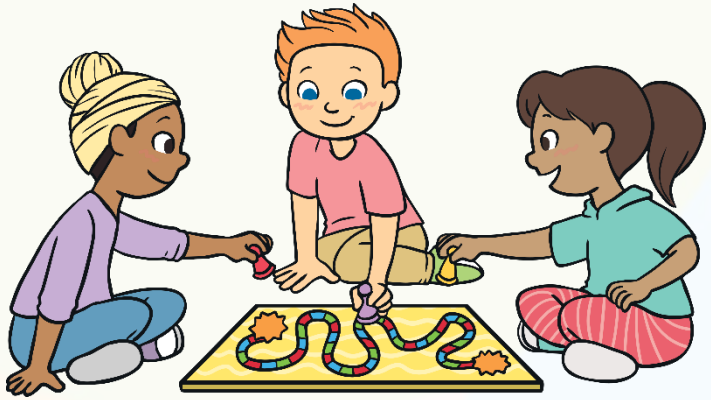
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Amazingly Different... Amazingly Wonderful

Each and every one of us is different and unique.

We might have brown eyes, we might have green eyes.
We might have a sister, we might have a stepbrother.
We might love dancing, we might love basketball.



Many well-known people have shown us that it doesn't matter how different we are... we can all achieve amazing things!

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Stephen Hawking

Stephen Hawking was a scientist. He helped people all around the world to learn about science.

Stephen Hawking had an illness which meant he couldn't walk, talk or speak without help.

He also used a wheelchair and a very special computer which talked for him.



Stephen asked lots of questions and gave us lots of ideas about our world. He helped us to understand more about space and the universe.

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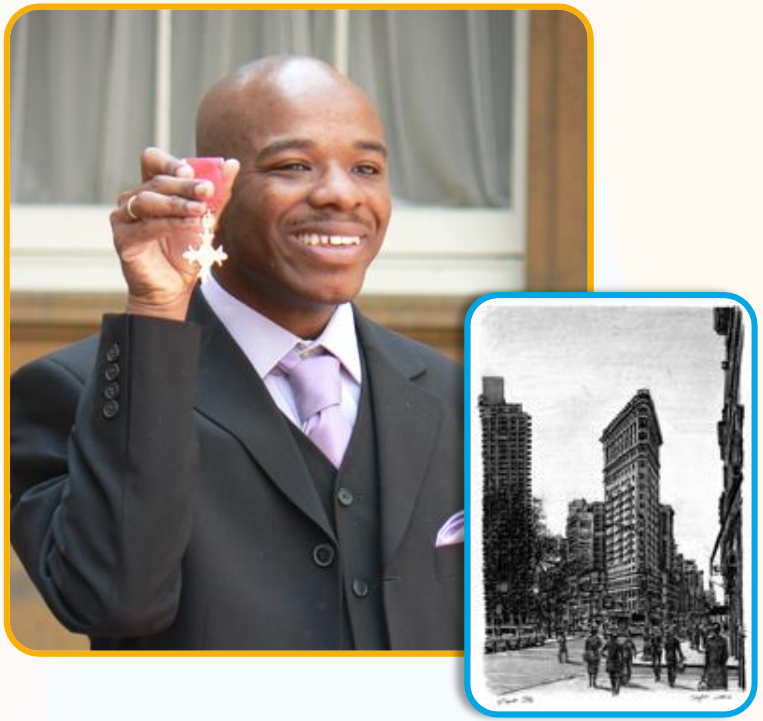
Stephen Wiltshire

Stephen Wiltshire has autism. This means that it can be difficult for him to understand or talk to people. He wasn't able to talk fully until he was nine years old.

When he was young, instead of talking, Stephen started to draw pictures.

He is now a very talented artist. He draws pictures of famous places and buildings from his memory.

He is known across the world and has his own art gallery in London.



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Kadeena Cox

Kadeena Cox is a famous athlete who competes in running and cycling.

She has a condition called multiple sclerosis. This means that she can find it difficult and painful to move.

Kadeena took part in the Paralympics where she won three medals.



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Tom Cruise

Tom Cruise is a famous American actor.

He has dyslexia, which means that he found it hard to concentrate when he was learning to read at school and could not remember what he had read.

He didn't learn to read until he was grown up.

Tom has found many ways to help him learn his lines for movies and is now a Hollywood star.



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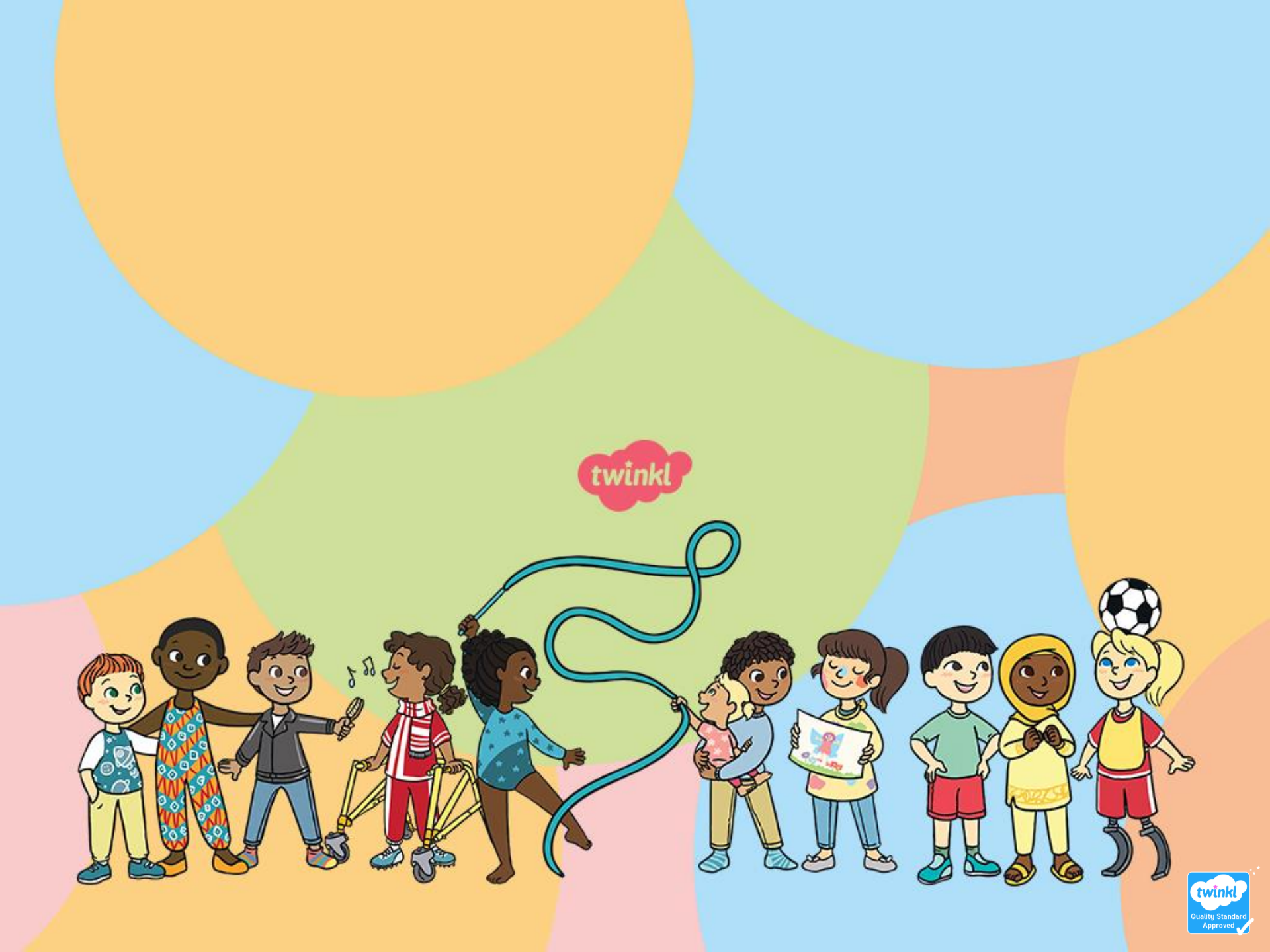
Everyone is different and unique.

These differences make us who we are.

No matter what our differences are,
we can work hard and achieve our dreams!



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