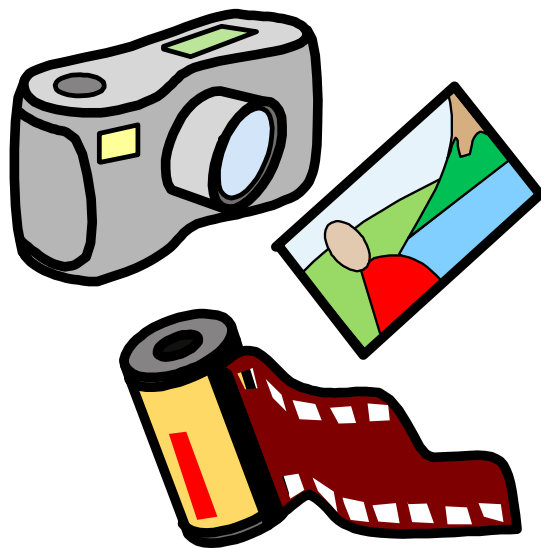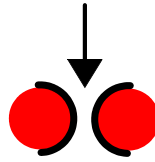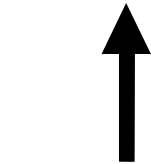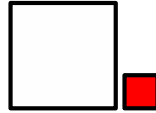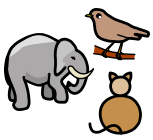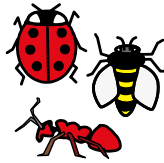# Macro

Photography

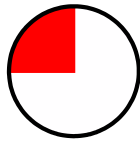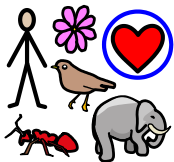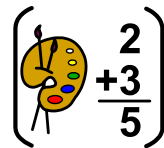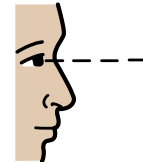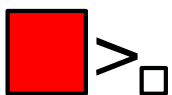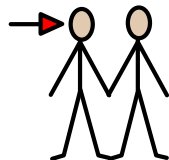Macro means extremely close - up photography, normally small objects, animals, insects, parts of items / living things.

These photos make the subject look bigger than they are.
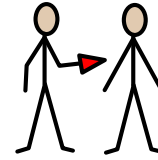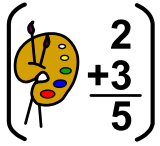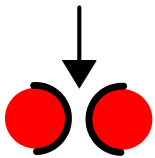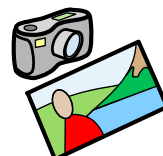
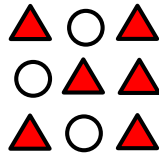**Subject:** the thing you are photographing.

Shot: photographed
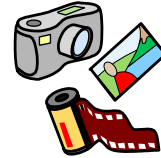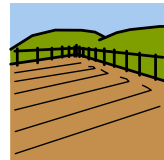
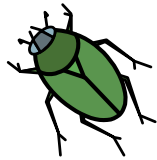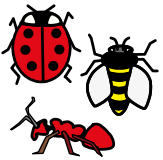**Product table:** a table especially designed for close up photography.
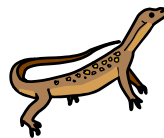
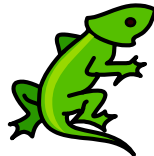**Studio:** Where professional photos are taken.
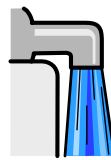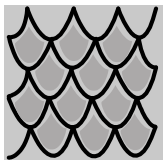
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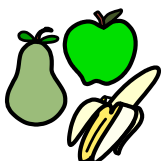are photographed in Macro photography are:
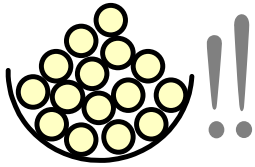
Insects, Bugs, spiders, tree frogs, field

mice, scorpions, lizards, geckos, eyes,

scales, flowers, dandelions water drops,
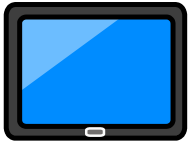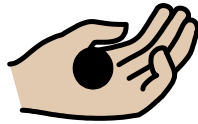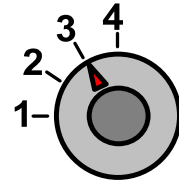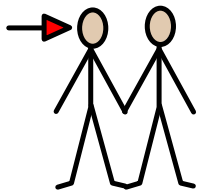
fruit, textures and frost

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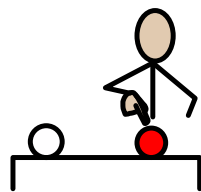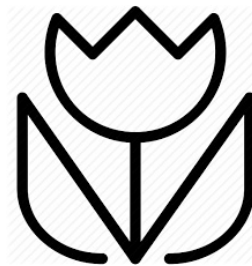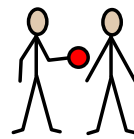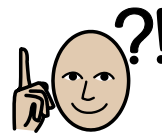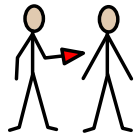
It looks like this:

Macro photography is better with a proper macro lens, and is normally shot on a Product table in a studio.

But it can be done just as easily in your garden or when you are out and about.
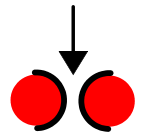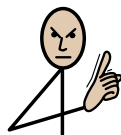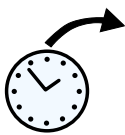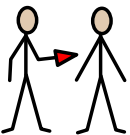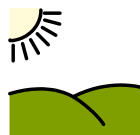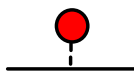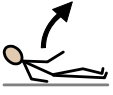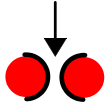
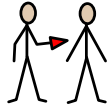You just have to be prepared to get very close, normally low to the ground.
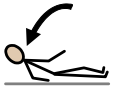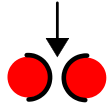
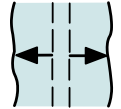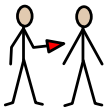Getting up close outside: You may need to crouch or
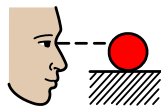
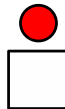lay down, get as close as you can, without the camera loosing
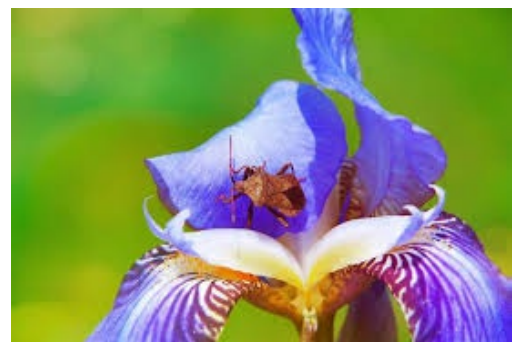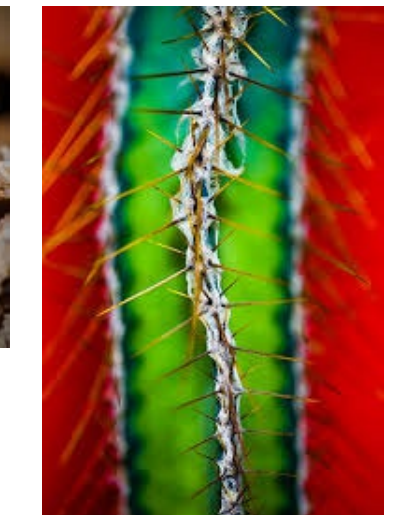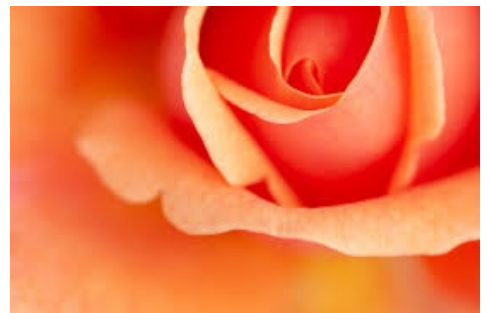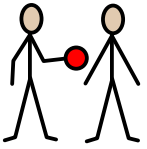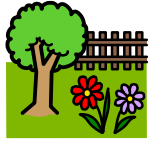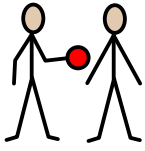
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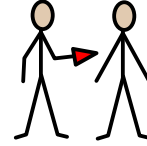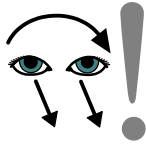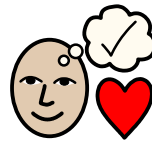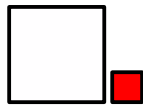You may need to look at the item from above.

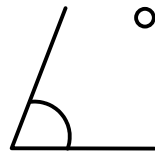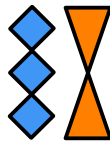Examples of Macro photography from the garden:

Your Task:

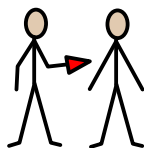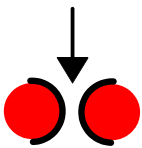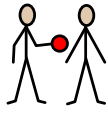Go into your garden, the local woods or the beach Look carefully around you, find something small and interesting to photograph.
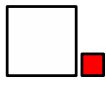
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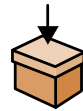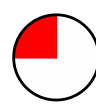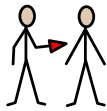
How close can you get?

Macro in the house:

Have a look around your home for things with a good texture, small interesting things, or things that would look different if you took a photo of part of the object.
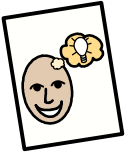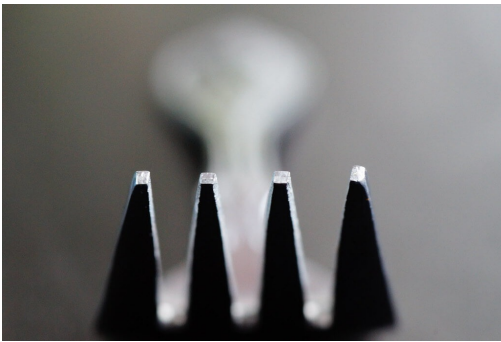
Take photos.

e.g.

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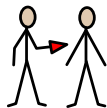grapes, blueberries, coins, jewellery, springs, hair brushes, pencil tips, or fabric. I'm sure you can find other things too.
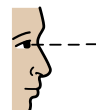
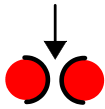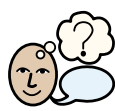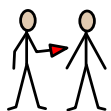Examples of Macro photography in the home:

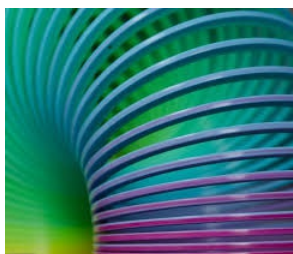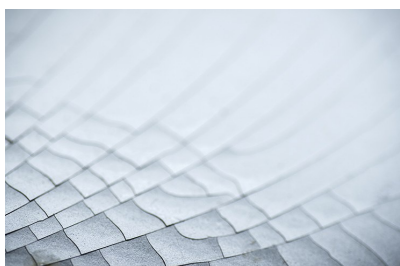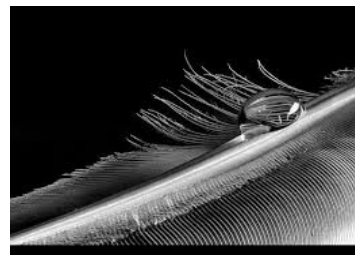You can be as creative as you like with Macro photography.

It's all about attention to detail and fining something that looks

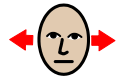interesting close up. Here are some examples of Abstract macro

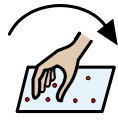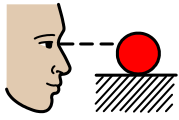photography: Can you guess what they are?

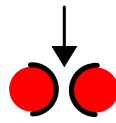Why not try some food macro shots?

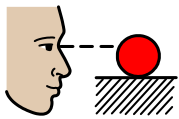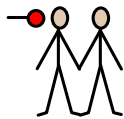Look at food, especially fruit and vegetables, cut them in half and get up close.
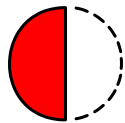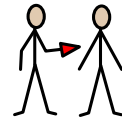
Look at their skins, what textures can you capture?

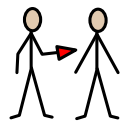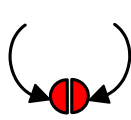What other foods make good macro photos?
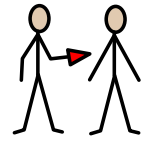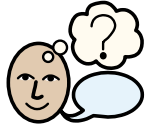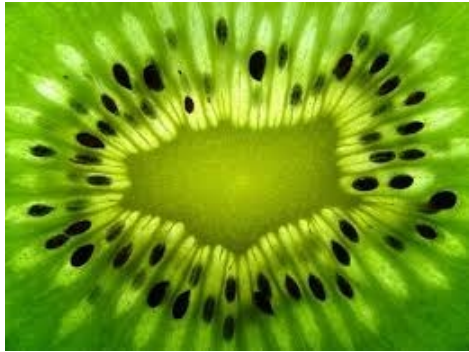
What can you come up with?
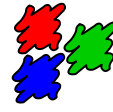
Which food makes the best photo?

Examples of food macro photos: Can you
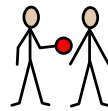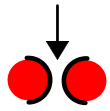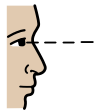
guess what they are?

Examples of eye macro photography:
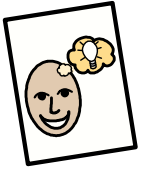
Eyes have lots of texture, movement and colour.

Look closely at a family members or your pets eyes,

take some photos.
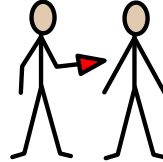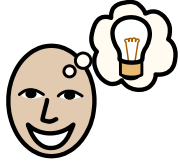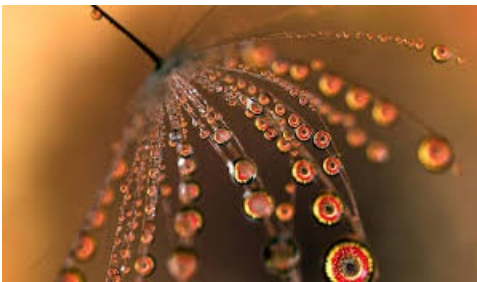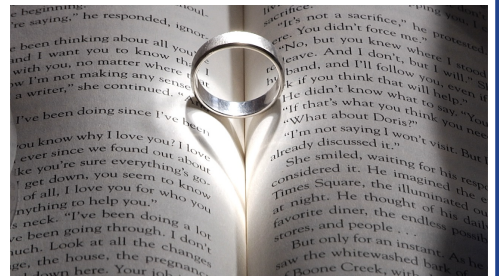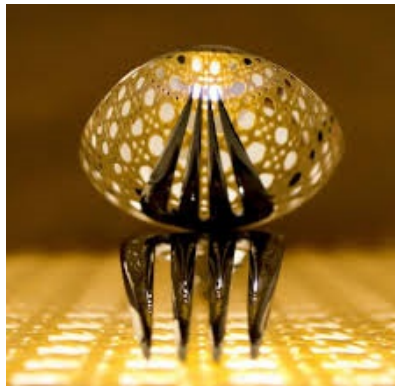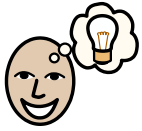
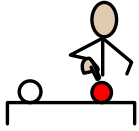Examples   of   creative   macro   photography:
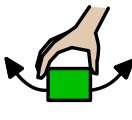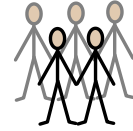
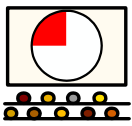? How   creative   can   you   be?
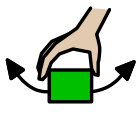
Creative toy macro photography:
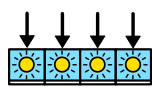
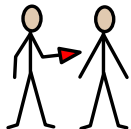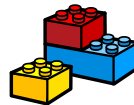This is very popular. Using toy people to make scenes using everyday items or food.
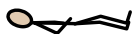
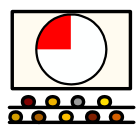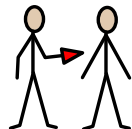Have you got any toy soldiers / lego people lying around?

what scenes can you create?

Take some photos.

Examples of creative toy macro photography:

Product   macro   photography:
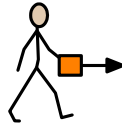
This is normally   commercial   /   business   macro   photography.

The   photos   are normally   taken   of small   things,   like

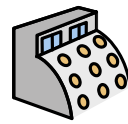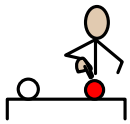jewellery,   or small   parts of   items   for   sale.
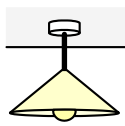
This   is   normally   done   in a studio with a   product table

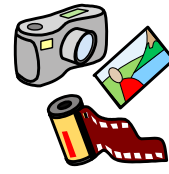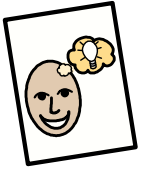and studio   lights.

Reflections   are often used.

Examples of product macro photography