

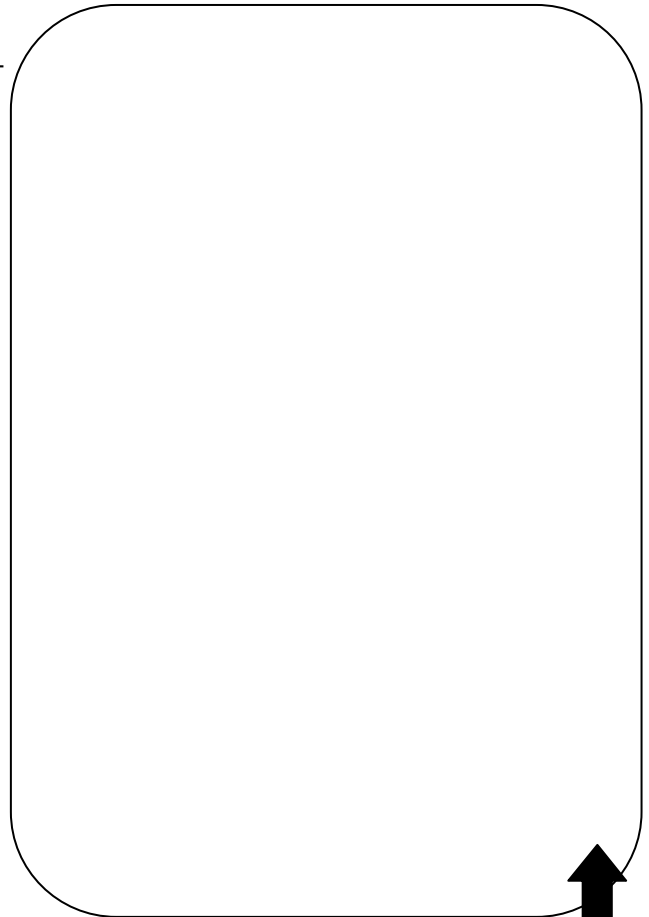
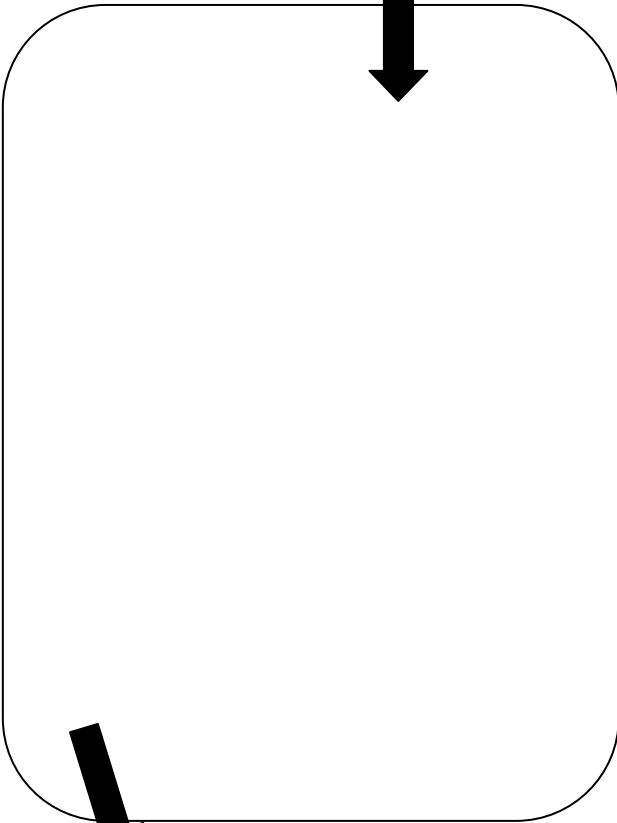
Better Left Alone

Matt's father had warned him that the bees living in the tree at the edge of Loon Pond were better left alone. Driven by his hunger for a bit of something tasty, Matt encountered the painful reality of not heeding his father's advice.

What are some things in your world—animals, places, situations, foods, substances, etc.—to be avoided? Which three do you think are the most important?

Use the organizer below to gather your thoughts, and then write a composition about things **Better Left Alone**.

_____ is **number three** on my list of things to avoid because. . .



The **number one** thing better left alone is _____ because. . .

_____ takes the **second** position on my list because. . .

