

# PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS 2023



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# Recognising Excellence and Equity in Education

Across South Australia at our schools, preschools and children's centres, our people play a crucial role in shaping the lives of our children and young people. Our teachers, leaders, support staff and central employees go above and beyond to create and provide contemporary, progressive, and world-leading learning that impacts the lives of our children and young people.

We're working together to nurture, develop and empower our learners with the knowledge, skills and capabilities they need to become fulfilled individuals, active, compassionate citizens and lifelong learners. Our educators and support staff engage children and young people in education, build their agency, and create a sense of belonging within the community.

We strongly believe in recognising the dedication and outstanding contributions made by our people, which is why we host the Public Education Awards. This unique opportunity allows us to celebrate the innovation, passion and expertise at the heart of our public education system, and share these practices with the broader community. The awards help strengthen our connection with local communities, recognise and support employees from across the organisation, and celebrate the pursuit of innovation in all we do to support South Australia's children and young people.

"Thanks for all you're doing to support the maintenance and development of Pitjantjatjara and Yankunytjatjara languages. Your considerate and responsive relationships with Anangu people provide them with opportunities to have a strong voice in the development of a future bilingual program."

**Peer speaking about Dan Bleby,  
Learning Improvement Division**

Being a Public Education Award finalist or winner is a celebration for the whole site community, and the benefits are wide-ranging. We invite you to join us for the 2023 Public Education Awards and take the opportunity to celebrate each other's achievements. Don't miss the chance to nominate a team, colleague or yourself and help us recognise our people.

"Thanks for helping our year 7 settle into the new and exciting world that is high school. Her success in adapting to so many new things in such a short time is definitely due to your kind and caring mentoring. Thanks for helping her have such a great start to high school."

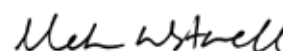
**Parent speaking about teacher  
Cindy Bunder, Glenunga  
International High School**



**Hon Blair Boyer MP**  
*Minister for Education,  
Training and Skills*



**Professor Martin Westwell**  
*Chief Executive,  
Department for Education*



## About the Awards

The Public Education Awards were established in 2011 to showcase excellence and equity in education. Recognising outstanding collaborative practice, the Awards are open to all Department for Education employees and are an opportunity for us all to come together to share our success stories.

Any Department for Education employee can nominate a team, colleague or themselves for an award as long as the nominated person or people have provided their consent for the nomination.

All employees are encouraged to take time to consider who they're most proud to work with and to then ask those people to step forward and represent their team, profession, and the department in the Awards.

The Awards recognise excellence and equity and the outstanding practice of department employees across the state. Winners of each category receive \$10,000 and 2 finalists from each category receive \$2,000. Finalists and winners of the awards may use their prize to undertake professional learning, community activities or invest in resources for their sites or business area.

## Why nominate?

Our people are passionate about teaching and learning and we want to share our success stories to showcase outstanding practice and our commitment to positive outcomes in learning, wellbeing, and a sense of belonging for all children and young people.

Winning a Public Education Award recognises and celebrates the achievements of individuals, teams and the whole community. It gives schools, preschools, children's centres and central employees the opportunity to share their expertise and be recognised for their outstanding impact.

We know some may shy away from highlighting their individual or team achievements, but we're at our best when we work together and the Awards provide the opportunity for all of us to learn from, be inspired by, and celebrate our colleagues' achievements, and in return, share our own outstanding practice.

## Why nominate someone else?

We're looking for employees who live our values and ethics, act as positive role models, and deliver outcomes that support our children and young people to thrive. We know many of our outstanding employees may be reluctant to put themselves forward, or simply may not recognise the impact they have with children and our young people or their site community.

We're encouraging peers, leaders, and colleagues to consider if they work with an outstanding individual or team who have had significant impact on the lives of our children and young people.

Before submitting a nomination on behalf of someone else, please make sure you seek their permission.

# Key dates



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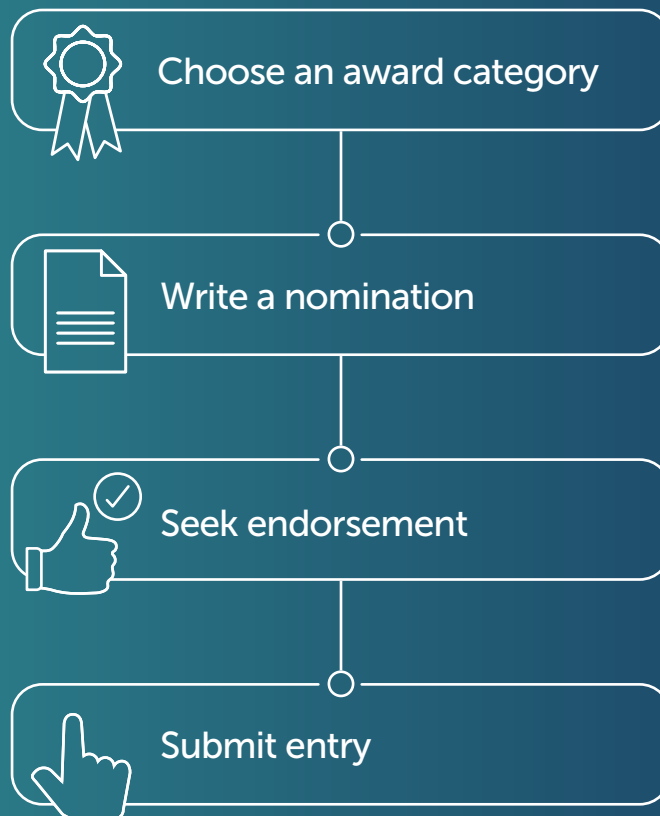
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# How to nominate?

## Nomination process



Visit the [www.education.sa.gov.au/awards](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/awards) for more hints and tips on how to nominate, past winner stories and what makes a good entry.



The Awards are open to all Department for Education employees. You can apply by visiting **[www.education.sa.gov.au/awards](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/awards)**. Nominations can be submitted either personally or on behalf of a colleague or team. If you're entering a colleague or team, seek their approval before submitting your nomination.



## Choose an award category

Once you decide to apply for the Awards it's important to talk to your site leader or manager and choose the most appropriate category for you or your colleague's/team achievement. Your principal or director will need to endorse your nomination after you submit it.

Choose the category in which you can most comprehensively address all the award criteria. The criteria are included in the award category section from page 12 of this guide. All categories are open to both individuals and teams.



## Write a nomination

The nomination form is available online at **[education.sa.gov.au/awards](http://education.sa.gov.au/awards)** from 1-30 June. You'll need to create a login and follow the steps to complete your nomination.

Your progress through the form will be automatically saved so you can leave and revisit your nomination as many times as you need prior to 30 June, when your nomination must be submitted. It is however, recommended to save as you go.

Judges are provided with an assessment rubric that highlights the level of evidence required for each criteria. Evidence is one of the most important parts of your nomination. Our judges want to read about the impact you or your colleagues made to children and our young people, at the site, and the wider community.

### Examples of evidence may include:

- learners have a strong sense of belonging and feel culturally safe
- children and young people are actively engaged in and have agency in their learning
- educators, children, families and the community work in partnership to achieve positive outcomes
- learners are deeply engaged in critical and creative thinking
- learners are empowered to develop the skills, attitudes and dispositions as lifelong learners
- environments are established to value diversity and inclusion in the community.



## Write a nomination continued

### When writing your nomination:

- think about **1** good example and use the same example throughout each of the criteria, so that judges can see the impact and depth of the initiative
- include headings, sub-headings and bullet points to make it easier to read
- make sure your answers are clear and written in plain English
- avoid using acronyms or relying on assumed knowledge
- don't skip over the detail – you're allowed up to 250 words for each criteria.

### Consider following the STAR model to structure your responses:

- **Situation:** What was the situation, context, or challenge faced?
- **Task:** What needed to be accomplished, what role did you or your colleagues play?
- **Action:** What did you do and how did you go about it?
- **Result:** What results or outcomes were achieved and what did you learn?



## Seek endorsement

If you're writing a nomination on behalf of someone, describe the context to give judges a feel for the applicant. Ask a colleague or manager to read through the nomination before submitting.

Within the nomination, you'll be asked how you would spend your prize money should you win. While this question does not influence the judging of your nomination, make sure you consider it carefully, as you will be expected to undertake this activity if you win. If you apply on behalf of a colleague, you will not be required to specify how the funds will be spent.



## Submit entry

Please check carefully that you've addressed all criteria and have read the terms of entry on page 28 before submitting your nomination. Once your nomination is complete, press 'submit'. You'll receive an email confirming your nomination has been submitted.

To ensure all finalists are in good standing with the department, all nominations undergo a range of endorsements and internal checks.

The Organisational Development team will advise if you're a finalist once all checks have been conducted and judging is complete.

Late entries will not be accepted.

To find out more about the Awards, including what makes a good nomination, visit [education.sa.gov.au/awards](https://education.sa.gov.au/awards) or contact the Organisational Development team on 08 8463 4985.

A vertical banner for the Public Education Awards. It features a dark blue circle in the center with the text 'PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS' in white. The background is a mix of teal and green geometric shapes. At the bottom, there is a logo for the Government of South Australia, Department for Education.

## PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS

## What happens once my nomination is submitted?

The Awards have a 2-stage judging process.

Endorsed nominations are sent to award category panels for the first round of judging. The judging panel comprises a mix of department employees from a variety of locations across the organisation.

The state panel then review the shortlisted nominations to select 1 winner and 2 finalists for each category. The state panel is chaired by the Chief Executive, Department for Education, and includes award partners from around the state.

Nominees will be notified by 1 September if they have been selected as a finalist. Finalists will be sent an information pack, so please ensure your contact details are correct.

# What happens if I am selected as a finalist?

The Organisational Development team will notify you if you're selected as a finalist. Finalists will also be announced via a Chief Executive message and press release.

## Participation in a short promotional film

If you're selected as a finalist, you will feature in a short film highlighting your contributions and showcasing how you've made a positive impact on the children and young people in our state's public education system. All films will be shown for the first time at the awards ceremony on Friday 3 November and will later be available on the department's website. As a finalist, you'll also receive a copy of the video on a USB after the ceremony. Filming will take place during September, with all finalists expected to ensure availability during this time.

## Awards ceremony

The 2023 Public Education Awards ceremony will be held on Friday 3 November at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

If you're selected as a finalist you will be invited to attend and the winners of each category will be announced during the ceremony.

The Minister for Education, Training and Skills and Chief Executive, Department for Education will present the awards.

The Public Education Awards gala dinner and ceremony is an event not to be missed. It provides a platform to acknowledge and showcase the innovation, creativity, and dedication of our educators and support staff and celebrates not only the achievements of individuals, but also the collective efforts and collaborative initiatives that are having an impact in public education. The Public Education Awards ceremony is always an inspirational night to remember.

## Prize money

Winners of each category receive \$10,000 and 2 finalists from each category receive \$2,000. Finalists and winners of the awards may use their prize to undertake professional learning, community activities or invest in resources for their sites or business area.

These funds will be transferred to your site or office in early 2024 and you will be responsible for the management and acquittal of all funds including arranging professional development, domestic and international travel and temporary relief teaching depending on your spend activities. The funds need to be spent by the end of 2024. For teams, the funds will be shared amongst all team members that have been listed on the nomination.

More information can be found at [education.sa.gov.au/awards](https://education.sa.gov.au/awards). You can also contact the Organisational Development team on (08) 8463 4985 or via email at [PublicEducationAwards@sa.gov.au](mailto:PublicEducationAwards@sa.gov.au).



# Award Categories

Excellence in Learner Agency

Credit Union SA Excellence and Equity in Education

Lumination Innovation in Teaching and Learning

Excellence in Collaborative Partnerships

Excellence in Leadership

Excellence in the Support of Early Career Teachers

Inclusive Practices in Education

Excellence in Collective Wellbeing

Aunty Josie Agius Award

Outstanding Reconciliation Initiatives

Outstanding Safety Initiatives





# Excellence in Learner Agency Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises people who empower our learners to develop a sense of identity and responsibility by embedding structures and processes to involve them in actively co-creating learning and by enabling them to exercise their agency in their site and broader community.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you have empowered learners to activate their agency to shape their learning experiences.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.



# Credit Union SA Excellence and Equity in Education Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education



This award recognises people who create stimulating and challenging experiences and opportunities that empower children and young people to develop capabilities, including the skills, knowledge, mindsets, and values that equip them to thrive in a rapidly changing world. It acknowledges those who are having a significant impact for our learners by enabling them to be confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens within our community.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you have created opportunities for all children and young people to be effective learners and active and informed citizens.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.





# Lumination Innovation in Teaching and Learning Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education



This award recognises innovative teaching practices, including the use of technology, that stimulate co-creation, collaboration and collective working in response to feedback from learners. It recognises the significant encouragement and learning support that our people provide to instil a culture of high expectations, that stimulates a love of learning and enables our children and young people to think creatively, and to act for and with others.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you are exploring innovative practices to enhance learning experiences for children and young people.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.





# Excellence in Collaborative Partnerships Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises those that build impactful and authentic partnerships to enhance learning and pathways through the provision of collaborative and innovative opportunities that explore new ways to support our children and young people to thrive. It acknowledges those that recognise the importance of strengthening collaboration to enhance outcomes that are underpinned by clear moral purpose and a commitment to improvement of self and others.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you have built impactful and authentic collaborative partnerships to enhance learning and pathways.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.



# Excellence in Leadership Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises outstanding leaders who engage hearts and minds and are catalysts for excellence and equity. It acknowledges leaders who actively engage with and support colleagues across networks and act to deepen and expand their diverse relationships to achieve impact. This award acknowledges leaders who cultivate high expectations, create an empowering environment and lead adaptively to enable employees to thrive and achieve positive outcomes.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you actively engage and support others and establish environments where people thrive and prosper to achieve positive outcomes.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.







# Excellence in the Support of Early Career Teachers Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises the systems and people that support our beginning teachers to thrive. They embed a strong culture of collaboration, wellbeing and professional growth and provide practice focused mentoring opportunities for early career teachers to observe, connect with colleagues, analyse, and evaluate teaching practice. As a result, early career teachers are supported to develop their teaching, capture evidence of learning and measure and understand their impact.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of the systems, processes and practices you have established to develop early career teachers' professional expertise and wellbeing.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.



# Inclusive Practices in Education Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises those who exemplify inclusive education and demonstrate outstanding practice to improve outcomes for learners with disability. They personalise learning, value individual strengths, and build strong relationships with learners, families, and colleagues. They are inspiring role models within and beyond their sites, who also work collaboratively with their colleagues. They encourage a sense of belonging with our children and young people by partnering with families and communities to increase safety and build wellbeing. They work to make sure the Disability Standards of Education are enacted to the highest level and demonstrate their dedication to achieving success for every learner.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how your practices exemplify inclusive education and reflect excellence and equity for learners with disability.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.





# Excellence in Collective Wellbeing Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises people who create the systems and structures that contribute towards collective wellbeing. Their efforts enable our employees, children and young people to connect, succeed and thrive by supporting them to contribute to their own wellbeing, the wellbeing of their peers and the collective wellbeing of their communities.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how the systems, structures and approaches implemented contribute to individual and collective wellbeing outcomes.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.



# Auntie Josie Agius Award

Open to Aboriginal employees or teams working within the Department for Education

This award recognises the cultural and community expertise of Aboriginal employees and the vital role they play in inspiring and influencing the development of culturally sensitive and responsive services or teaching practices. It celebrates our colleagues who are inspiring young minds, delivering the richest learning experiences or building policy and programs that respect culture and community. Aboriginal employees are vital to achieving excellence in education. They're leaders who share their culture and use their strengths to build collective responsibility for high achievement and strong relationships based on trust, respect, and cultural pride.

**The Auntie Josie Agius Award has a different selection process than the other awards. A council of representatives will support and facilitate nominations. They will short-list individuals via an interview process which addresses the criteria.**

You are encouraged to complete the online nomination form to nominate a peer or yourself for this award. For more information on how to nominate for this award, please contact the Organisational Development team on 8463 4985.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of the impact you have had, including your First Nations' knowledge and perspective, on improving site or system outcomes, learner achievement, engagement, or wellbeing (either directly or indirectly).

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how you or your team have delivered significant improvements in education services or made an authentic and meaningful contribution to the learning experiences of children and young people. Outline how you have contributed to a culturally sensitive and responsive workplace or learning environment.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've successfully engaged and supported parents and carers as partners in their children's learning or how you've collaborated with colleagues to share and develop best practices. Outline how you've shared your expertise and knowledge to help develop others understanding of Aboriginal culture, language, and perspectives on education, within and beyond your local context.

# About Aunty Josie Agius

Aunty Josie Agius (1934–2015) was a Narungga, Kurna, Ngarrindjeri and Ngadjuri Elder known for her dedication to Aboriginal people, especially children and young people.

She worked as one of South Australia's first Aboriginal health workers in the 1980s and was part of the team that established cultural context for how hospitals and community health services respond to Aboriginal people.

She also worked for many years at Taperoo Primary School. Her role as an Aboriginal education worker,

combined with her ongoing work at Kurruru Youth Performing Arts, saw Aunty Josie help many young Aboriginal people develop their self-esteem and cultural pride.

A pillar of strength in her community, Aunty Josie was a strong leader who openly shared her stories and culture with the broader community.

Aunty Josie was inducted into the SA Women's Honour Roll in 2009, was patron of the 2014 and 2015 NAIDOC SA Awards, and won the Premier's NAIDOC Award in 2014. She passed away in 2015 at the age of 81.



This image has been provided with the consent of the Agius family.



# Outstanding Reconciliation Initiatives Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises and celebrates the reconciliation activities undertaken by people within the department. It acknowledges that everyone has a role to play in building reconciliation and acknowledges peoples' commitment to implementing outstanding reconciliation initiatives.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you have implemented reconciliation initiatives and experiences to build two-way relationships based on trust and respect for Aboriginal histories and cultures.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites, or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.



# Outstanding Safety Initiatives Award

Open to any individual or team working within the Department for Education

This award recognises exceptional initiatives in promoting and maintaining healthy, safe and productive work and learning environments for employees, children and young people. It celebrates sites or individuals that have demonstrated outstanding commitment and innovation in the field of health and safety.

It acknowledges those who are making the biggest difference by recognising initiatives that create and support safe work and learning environments.

## Criteria

Respond to each criteria using no more than 250 words per criteria:

### 1. Positive impact

Provide evidence of how you have intentionally integrated safety solutions and/or experiences to create safe and productive work and learning environments.

### 2. Networked practice

Describe how your work has influenced others and informed new ways of working at your site, across sites or more broadly across the community.

### 3. Inspiring engagement

Explain how you've effectively engaged with a variety of stakeholders to inform and enhance this practice.





# Terms of entry

## Eligibility

The Public Education Awards are open to all employees of the Department for Education, excluding employees who were Public Education Awards finalists or winners in the last 2 years (in 2021 or 2022), including as part of a team.

Eligible individuals and teams may only enter the Public Education Awards once each year. An individual entering as part of a team may not enter again as an individual.

Shortlisted nominations must be in good standing with the department. The Organisational Development team will seek endorsements for and conduct due diligence checks on all finalists and reserves the right to remove any nominees from the awards program at any time.

## Nominations

Nominees must answer all questions in the online nomination form. Information provided by nominee in the title and summary fields may be used for marketing purposes.

## Judging

The state judging panel reserves the right to not award a winner in any given category if it's deemed no suitable submissions were received for that category.

Decisions made by the judging panel are final. No correspondence regarding the panel's decisions and recommendations will be provided.

## Short films

Short films will be created for each finalist to introduce them and showcase their contributions and achievements. Finalists and colleagues who applied on behalf of a finalist must be available for filming during September.

## Prizes

Winners of each category receive \$10,000 and 2 finalists from each category receive \$2,000. If you are nominating a team or nominating on behalf of a team, these funds will be provided to the site to distribute to all members of the nomination towards professional development. Finalists and winners of the awards may use their prize to undertake professional learning, community activities or invest in resources for their sites or business area.

Prize money provided to winners and finalists based at sites must be used by the end of the calendar year following the awards (on or before 31 December 2024). Winners and finalists from central must use their funds within the current financial year (on or before 30 June 2024). Funds not used within these timeframes must be returned to the Public Education Awards program.

If you're nominating for an award on your own behalf, you must answer a question addressing what your prize money would be spent on should you win. It's expected winning and finalist applicants will undertake the activity specified in their nomination, or something very similar. Any winner or finalist wishing to change their professional learning activity must seek permission from their site leader or manager. Please be aware the prize may be forfeited if no suitable alternative is found.

## Becoming an Ambassador of the Public Education Awards

Winners and finalists are required to fulfil an ambassadorial role and must agree to participate in the promotion of the awards prior to and following the ceremony as requested by the department, including the promotion of the Public Education Awards program in future years.



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