



— The Five Love Languages —

WHAT'S YOUR

Love LANGUAGE?

New Virtual Bible Study Series

STARTING TUESDAY, MAY 5TH

TUESDAYS

AT 12:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS

AT 12:00 PM & 6:30 PM

THURSDAYS

AT 12:00 PM

IN OUR ZOOM MEETING ROOM (MEETING ID: 523-563-698)

**Wednesday,
June 3, 2020**



Words of Affirmation




Quality Time



Receiving Gifts



Acts of Service



**“By acts of service,
I mean doing things you
know your [loved one]
would like you to do. You
seek to please [them] by
serving [them], to express
your love by doing things
for [them].”**

-Gary Chapman

**If your
loved one's
primary love
language is acts of
service, then
“actions speak
louder than
words.”**



**We serve our
children; but as
they mature,
we must teach
them how to
serve themselves
and then others.**





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SELFISH

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Sacrificial service pleases God.

HANDS & FEET

SERVING | LOVING | GIVING

MARK 10:45





Mark 10:45 (NIV)

**For even the Son of Man
did not come to be
served, but to serve,
and to give his life as a
ransom for many.**



Matthew 9:35-38 (MSG)

**Then Jesus made a circuit of
all the towns and villages. He
taught in their meeting places,
reported kingdom news, and
healed their diseased bodies,
healed their bruised and hurt
lives.**



**When he looked out over
the crowds, his heart
broke. So confused and
aimless they were, like
sheep with no shepherd.**



**“What a huge harvest!” he
said to his disciples. “How
few workers! On your
knees and pray for harvest
hands!”**

**Make it your goal
that your children
will learn to be
comfortable in
serving others.**



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Loving God, Serving Others, Reaching the Lost

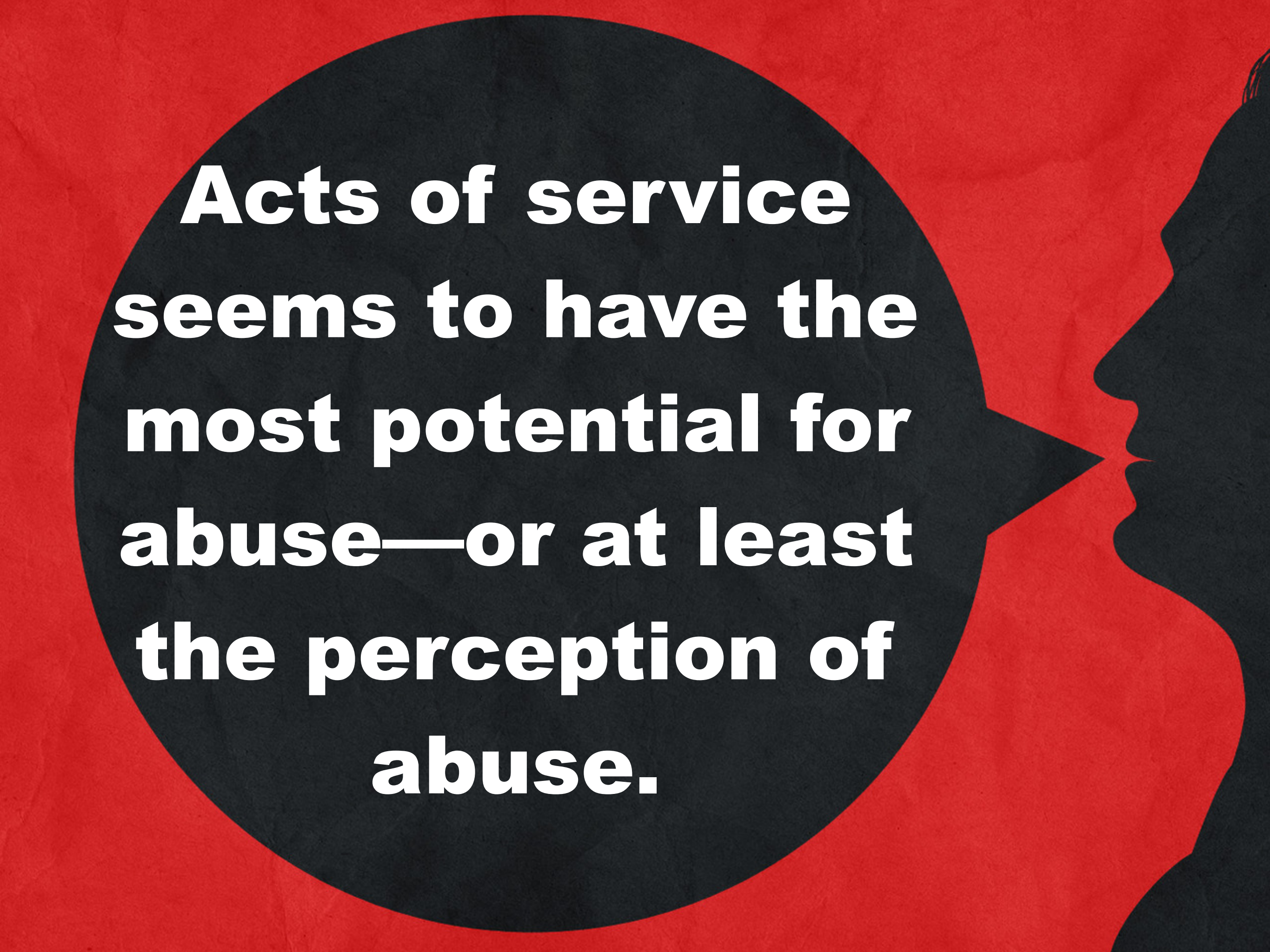


The background is a collage of various photographs showing a slum, likely in a developing country. The images are layered and semi-transparent, with a strong green color overlay. The scenes include dense housing, corrugated metal roofs, and people in the background. The overall tone is somber and highlights the need for service.

LIVING BEYOND OURSELVES

SERVING THOSE IN NEED

— MATTHEW 25 : 35 - 40 —



**Acts of service
seems to have the
most potential for
abuse—or at least
the perception of
abuse.**



**Don't be a
doormat.**

**Jesus wasn't,
and neither
should you be.**



You are practicing manipulation if your acts of service are always tied to somebody doing something you desire.



Manipulation has

nothing to do



with love and



everything to do



with control.














**Manipulation is never an
expression of love!**

**Coercion by fear is
alien to love.**





**Love says,
“I love you too much
to let you treat me
this way. It is not
good for you or me.”**



**The right thing
done with the
wrong attitude can
actually cause
more harm than
good.**

**Acts of service
require thought,
planning, time,
effort, and
energy.**



**If your loved one's
primary love language
is acts of service,
this does not mean
that you must jump
at every request.**



**Don't try to
change
someone else's
needs to fit
your solution.**



**Acts of service
should be done
with eagerness,
an excitement to
do something
meaningful.**

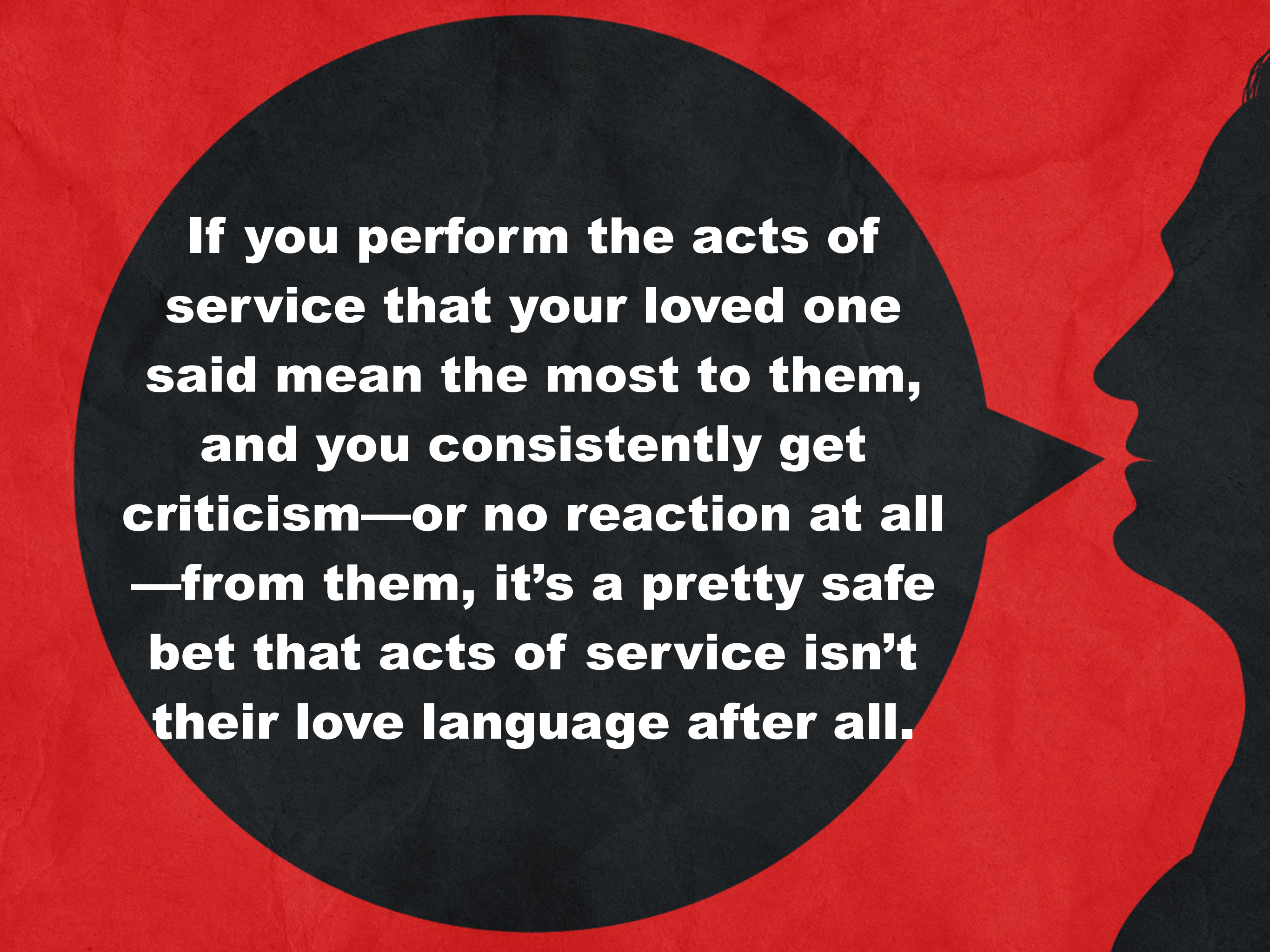


**Acts of Service
should be be done
with good humor,
even the ones that
take you *way* out of
your comfort zone.**



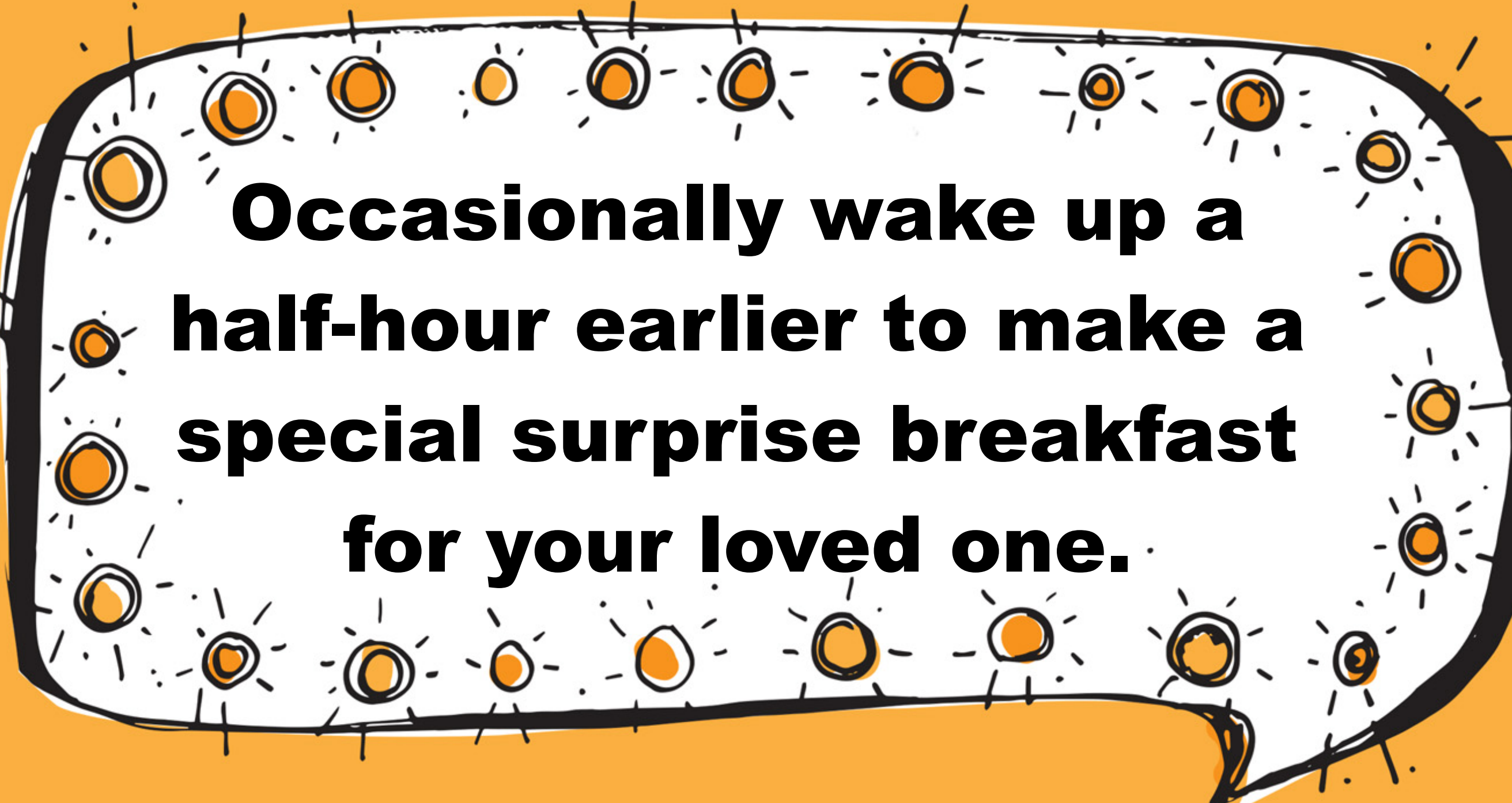
**Acts of
service
should be
done with
humility.**





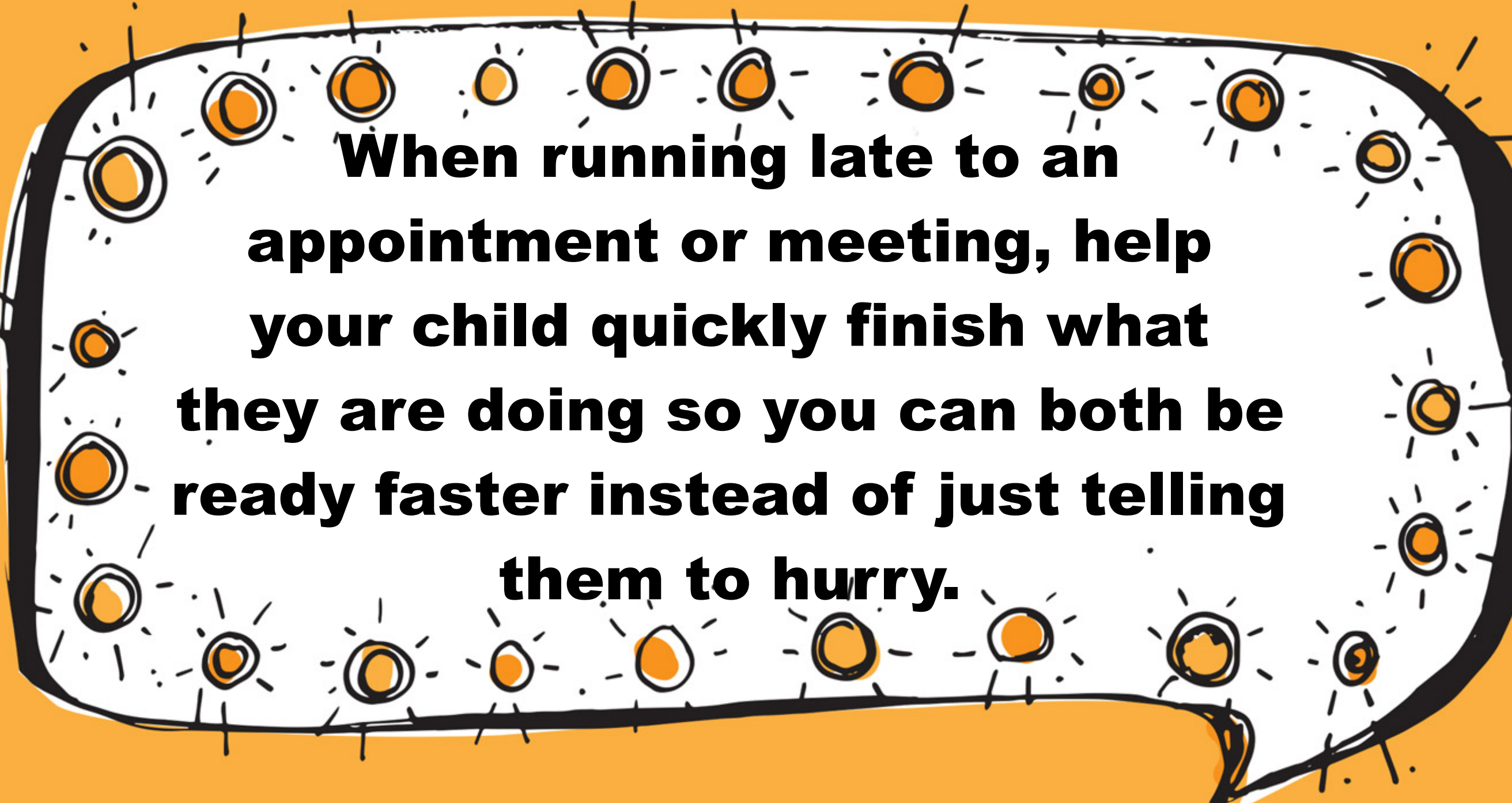
If you perform the acts of service that your loved one said mean the most to them, and you consistently get criticism—or no reaction at all—from them, it's a pretty safe bet that acts of service isn't their love language after all.

Acts of Service Tips



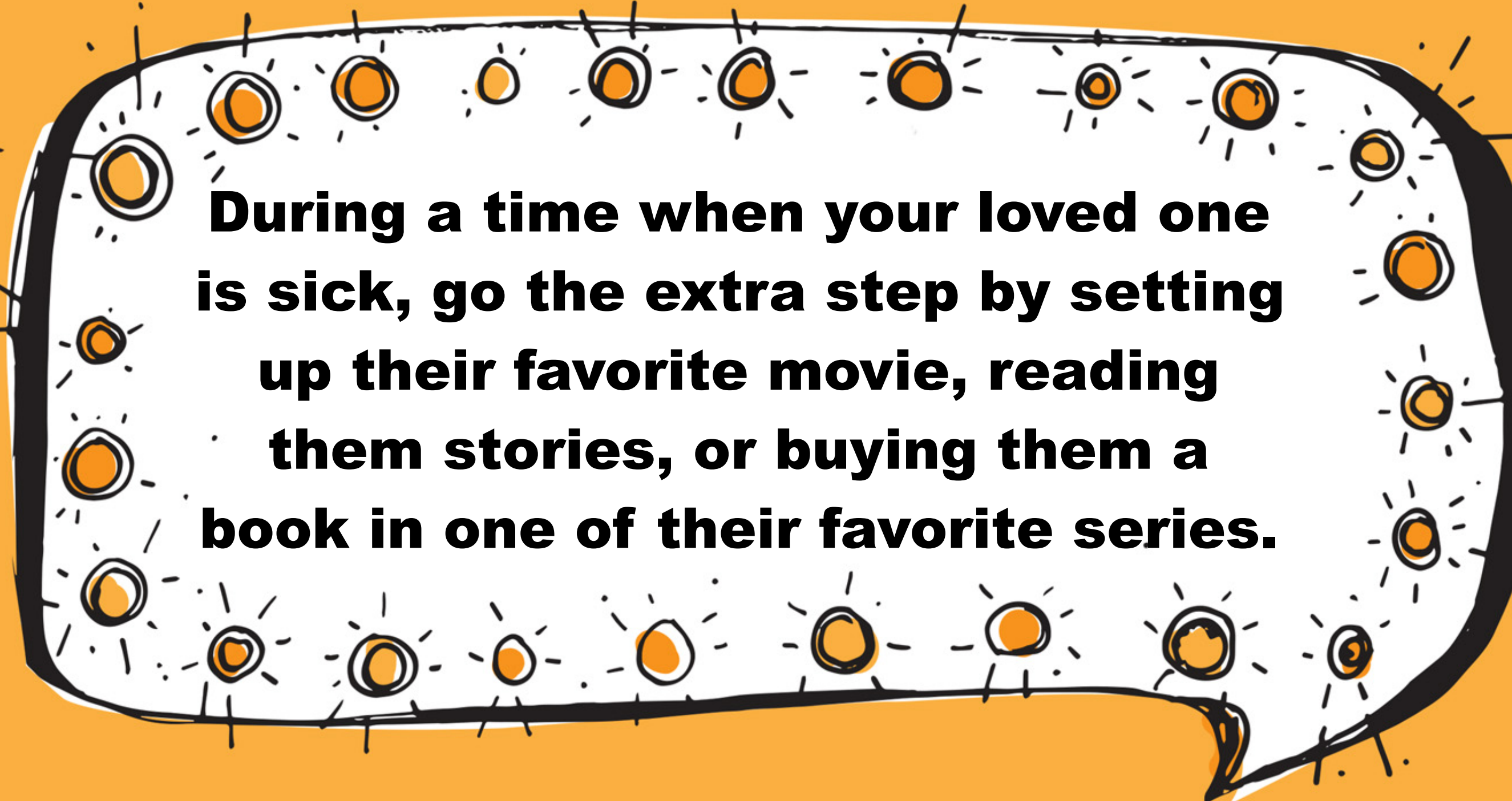
Occasionally wake up a half-hour earlier to make a special surprise breakfast for your loved one.

Acts of Service Tips



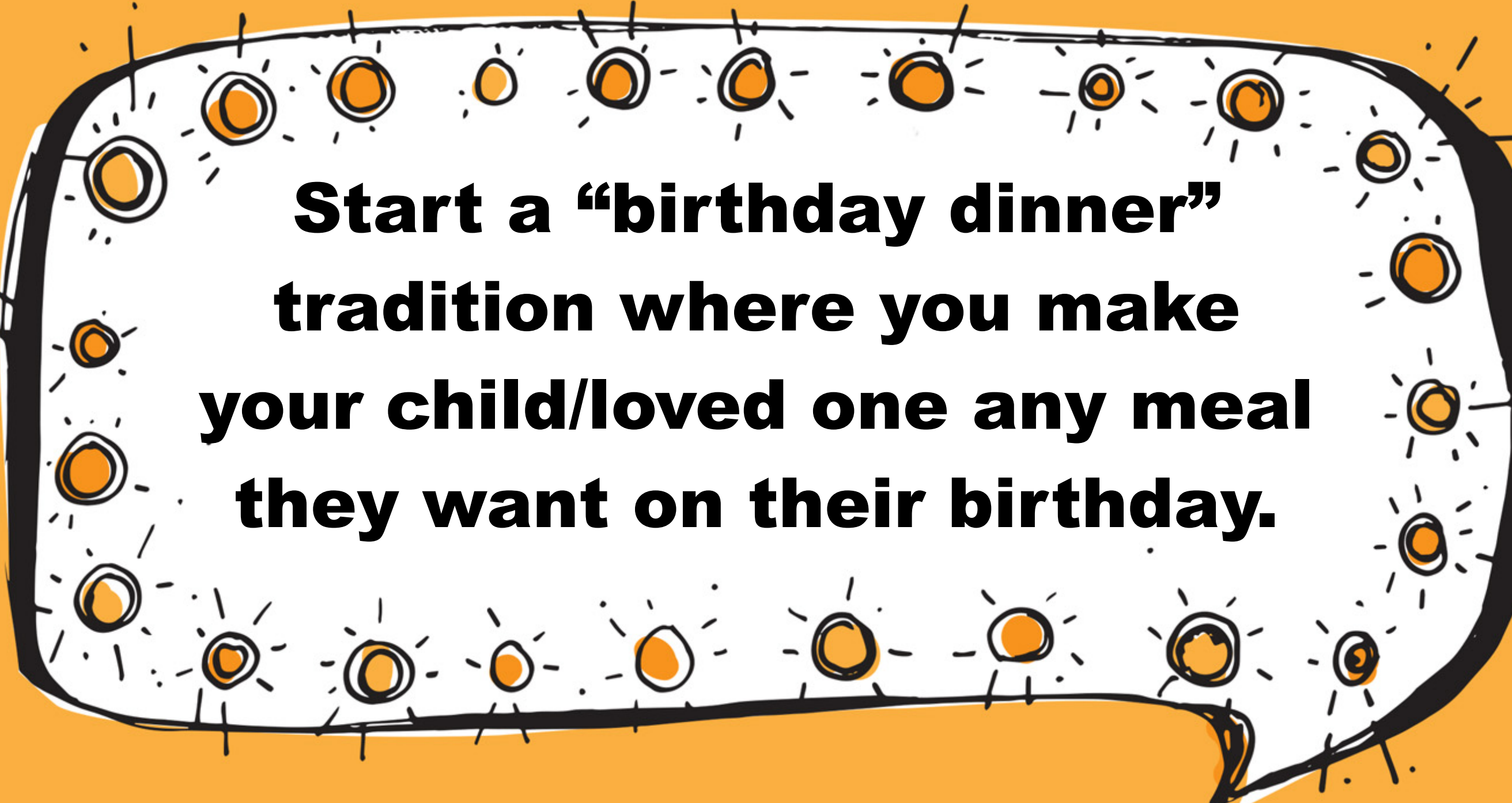
When running late to an appointment or meeting, help your child quickly finish what they are doing so you can both be ready faster instead of just telling them to hurry.

Acts of Service Tips



During a time when your loved one is sick, go the extra step by setting up their favorite movie, reading them stories, or buying them a book in one of their favorite series.

Acts of Service Tips




**Start a “birthday dinner”
tradition where you make
your child/loved one any meal
they want on their birthday.**

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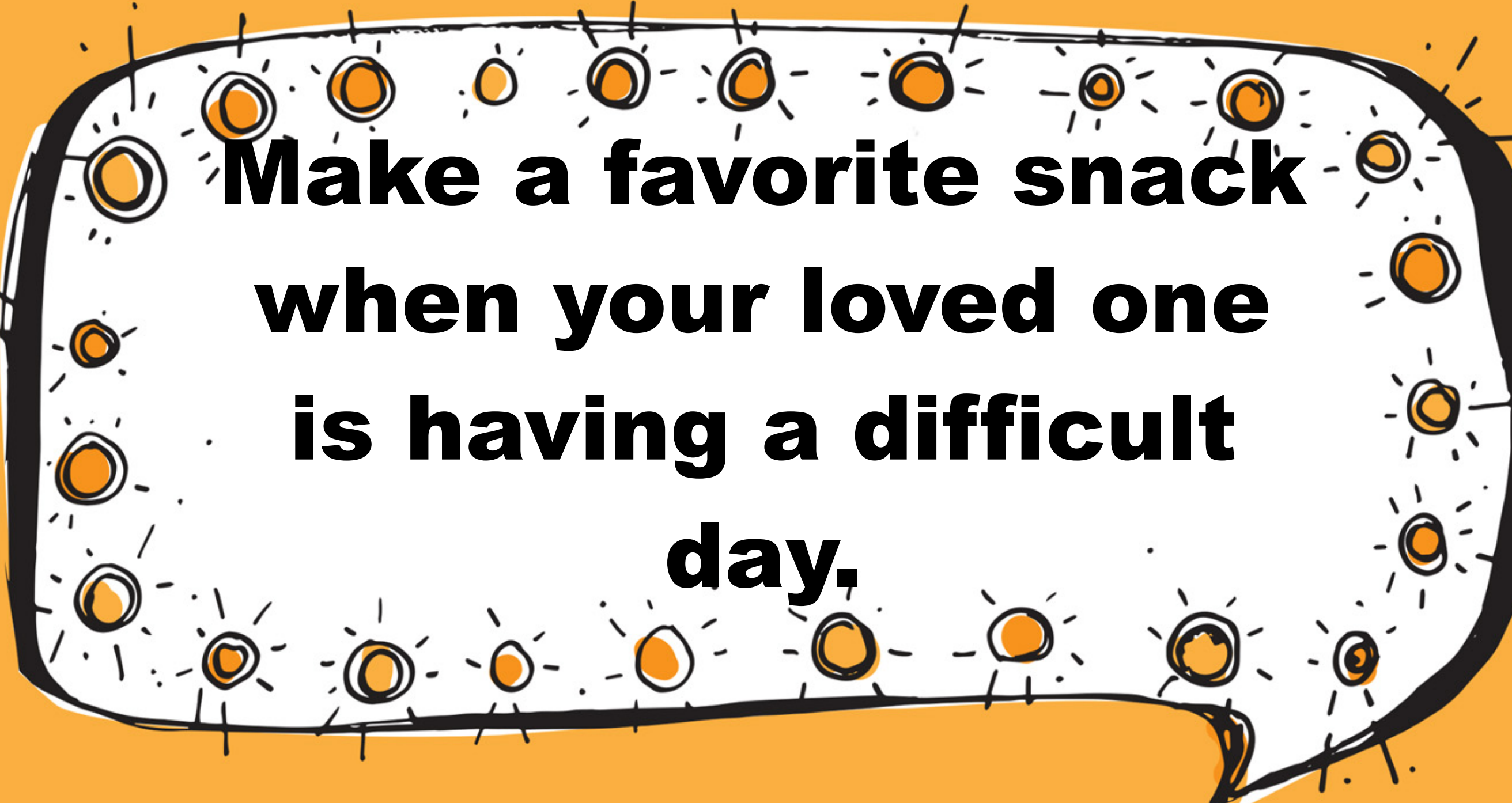
**Make a list of several
of your loved one's
favorite things
they do with you.**

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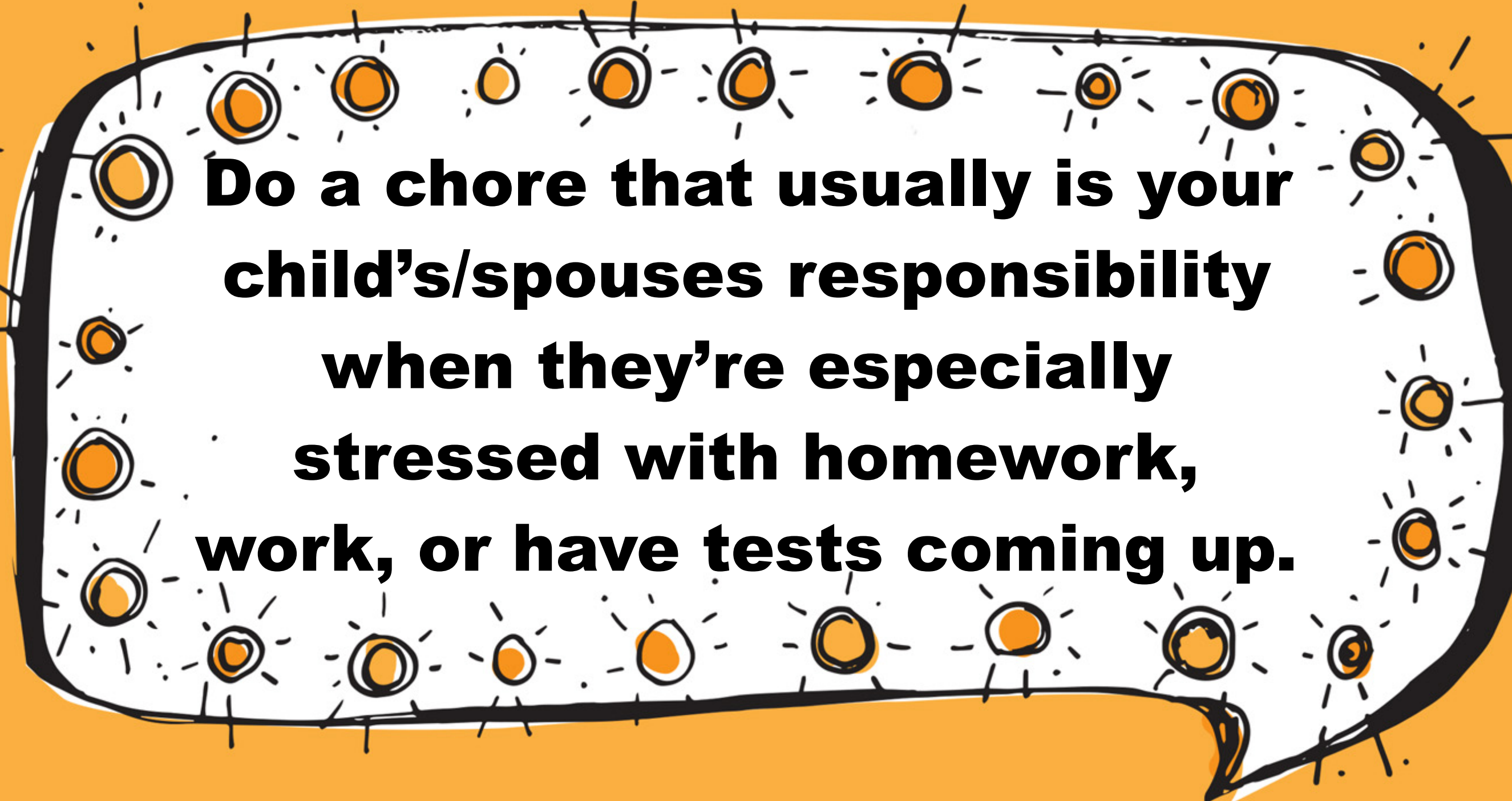
Acknowledge your teenager's uniqueness by shopping together for new paint colors for their room and helping them paint it.

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**Make a favorite snack
when your loved one
is having a difficult
day.**

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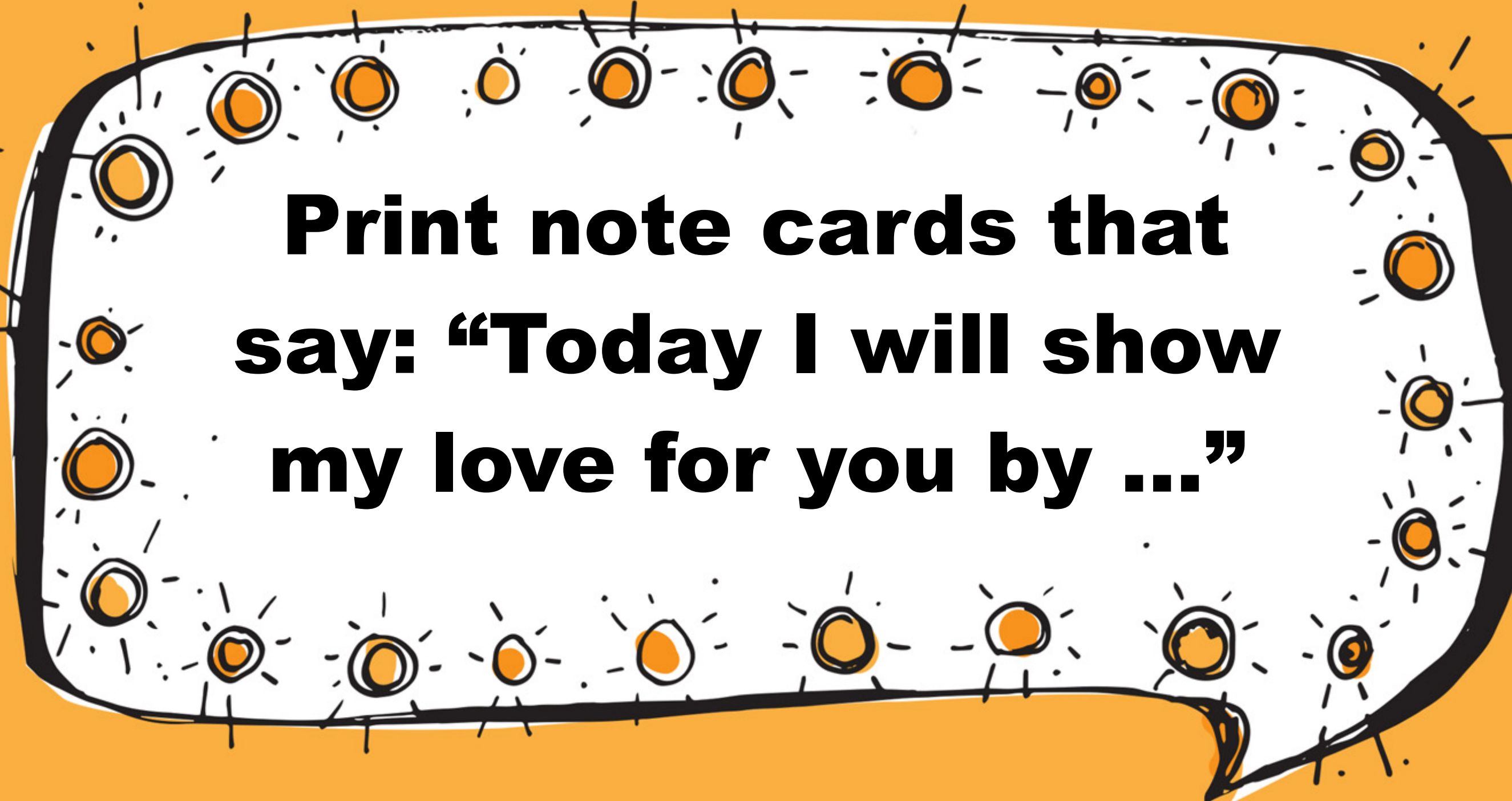
Do a chore that usually is your child's/spouses responsibility when they're especially stressed with homework, work, or have tests coming up.

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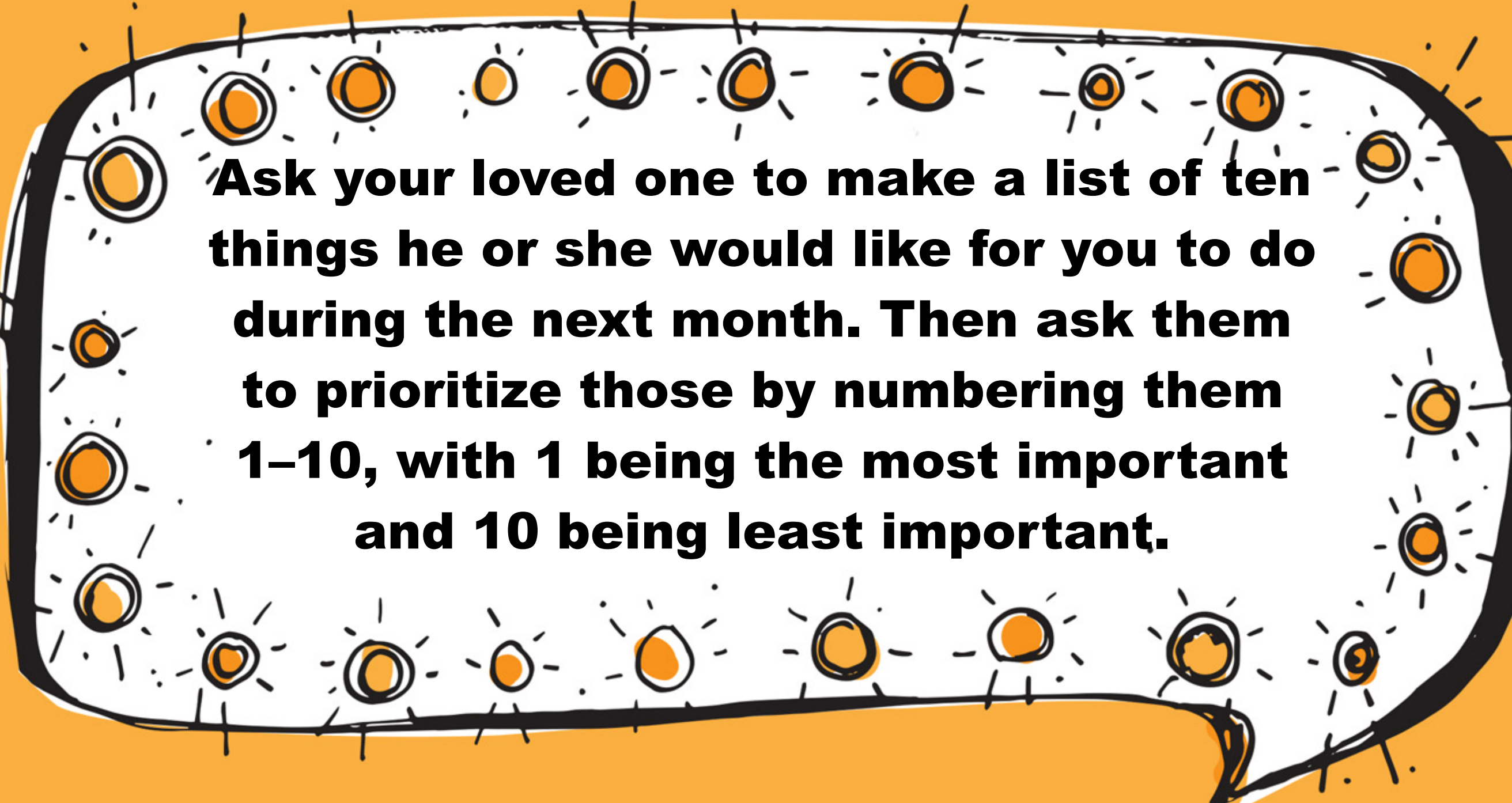
**If your loved one calls you at
work and is in a crisis,
sacrifice more time than usual
to listen to their situation.**

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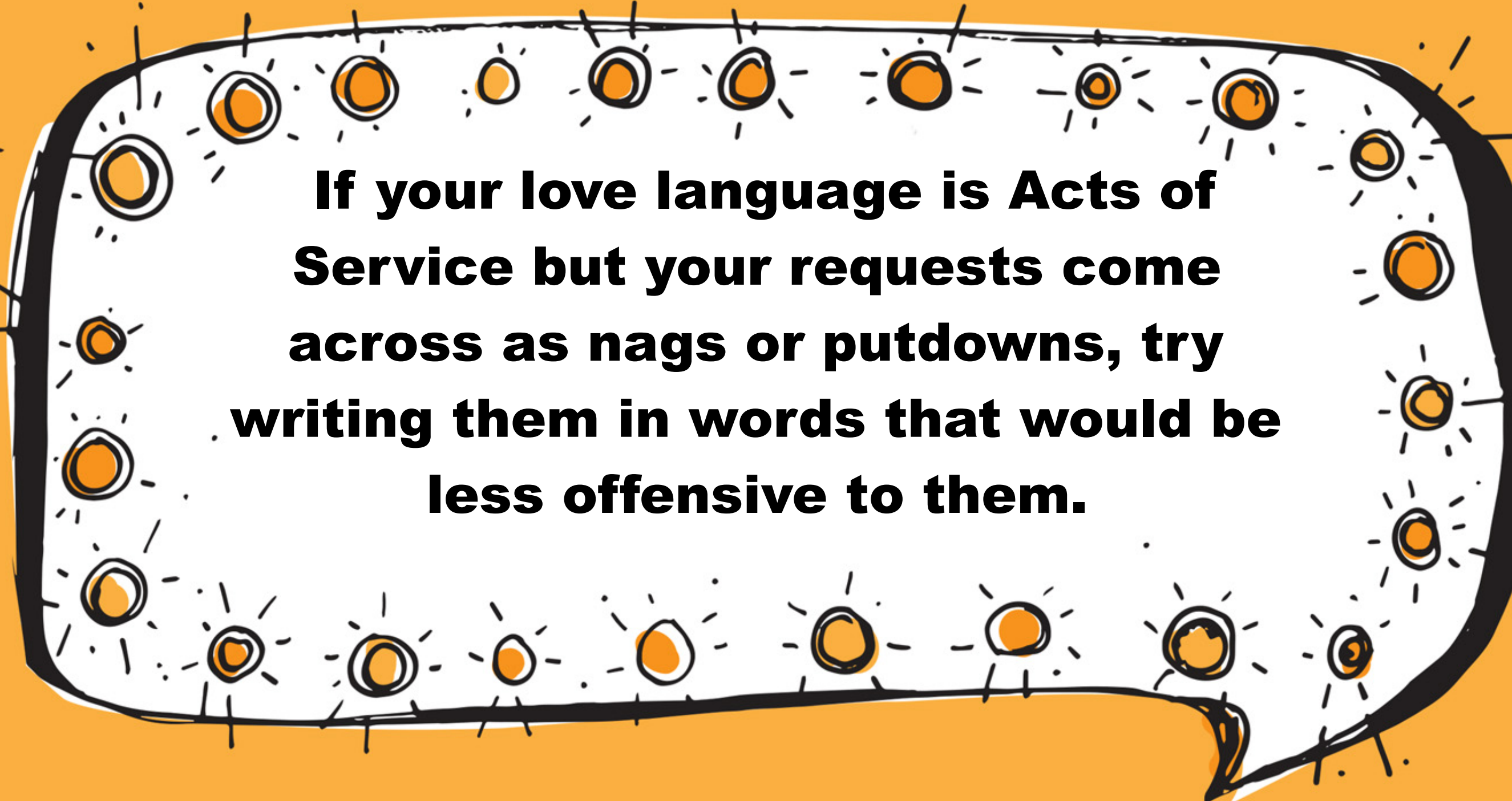
**Print note cards that
say: “Today I will show
my love for you by ...”**

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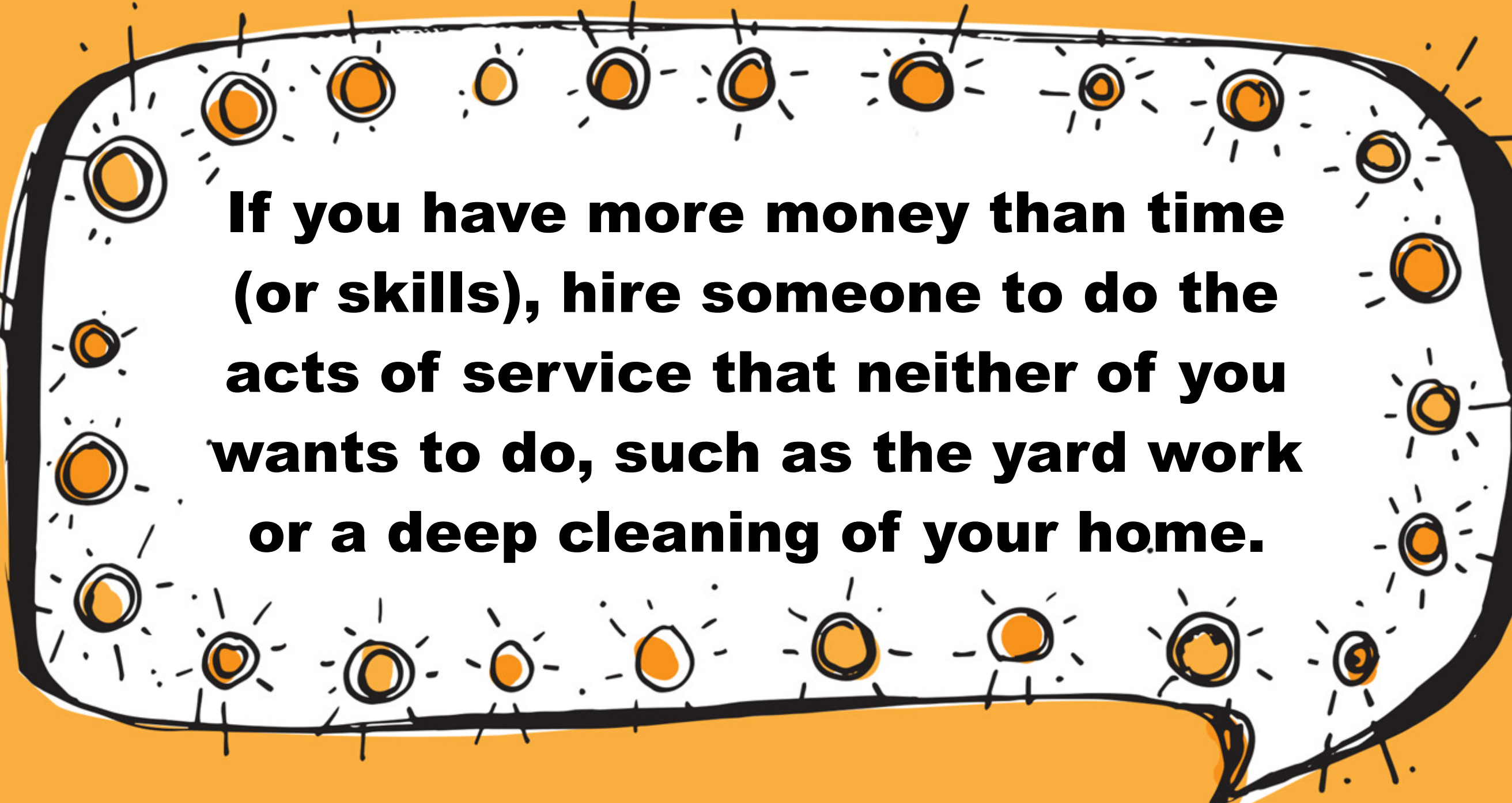
Ask your loved one to make a list of ten things he or she would like for you to do during the next month. Then ask them to prioritize those by numbering them 1–10, with 1 being the most important and 10 being least important.

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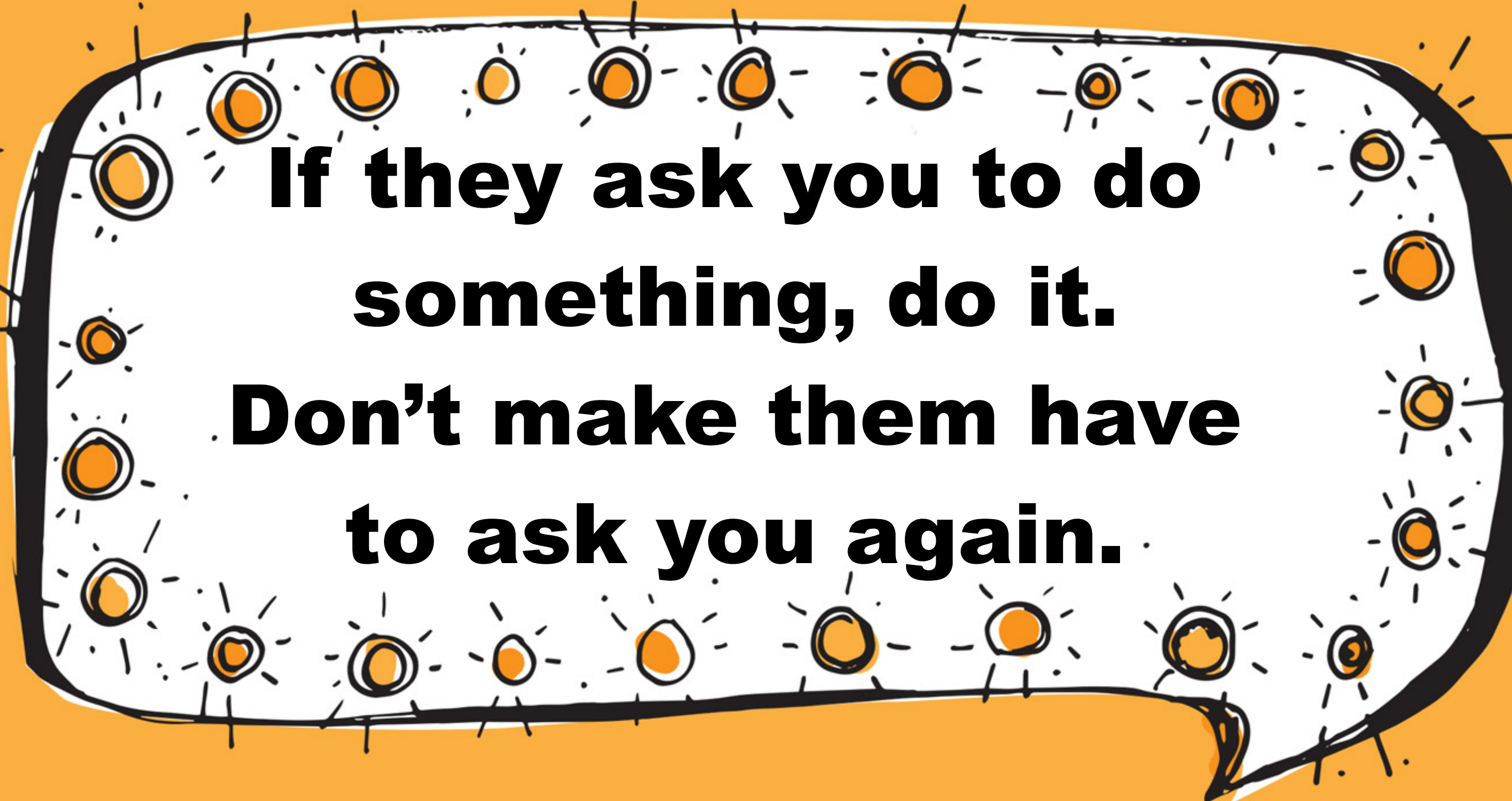
If your love language is Acts of Service but your requests come across as nags or putdowns, try writing them in words that would be less offensive to them.

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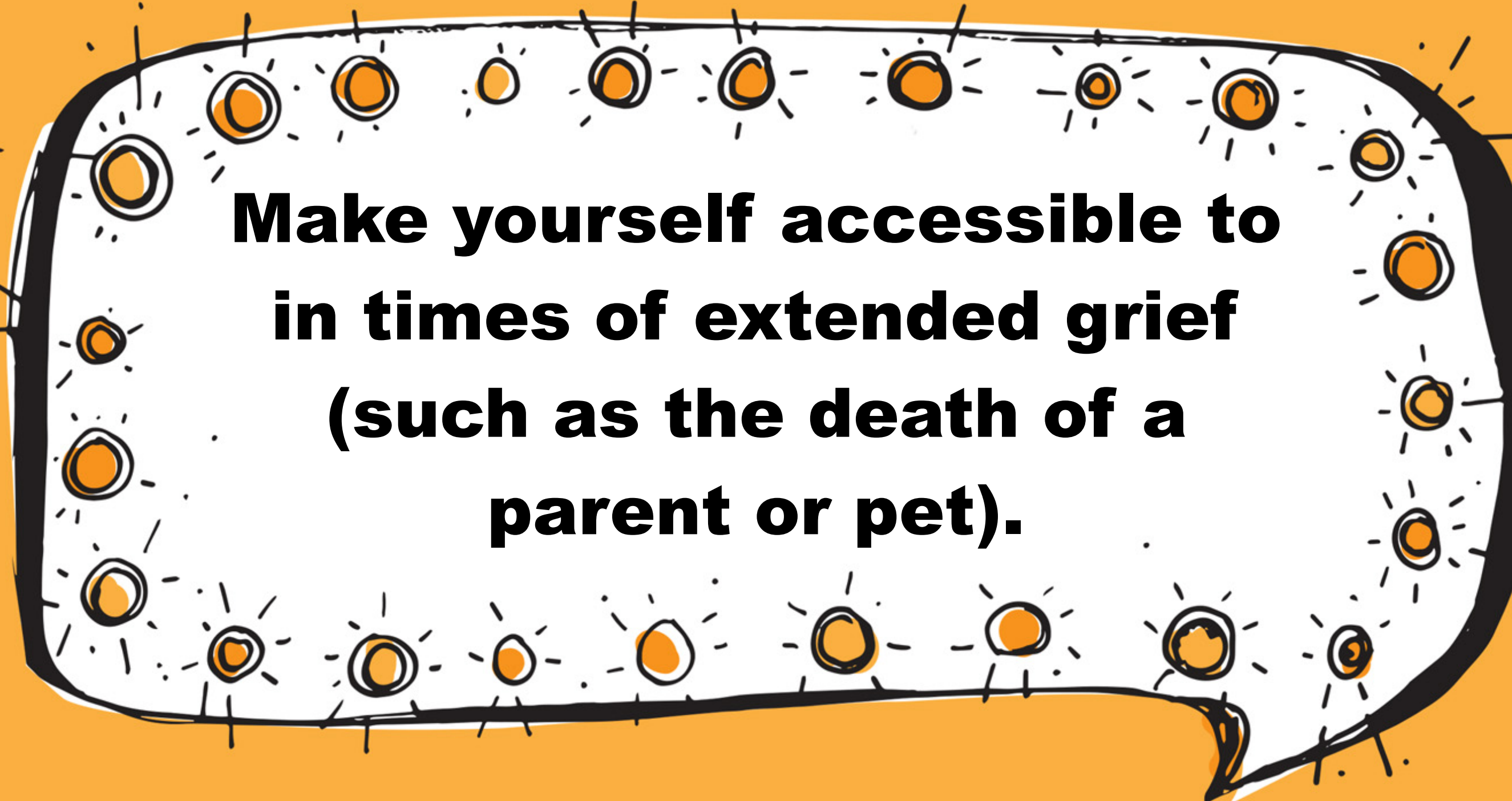
If you have more money than time (or skills), hire someone to do the acts of service that neither of you wants to do, such as the yard work or a deep cleaning of your home.

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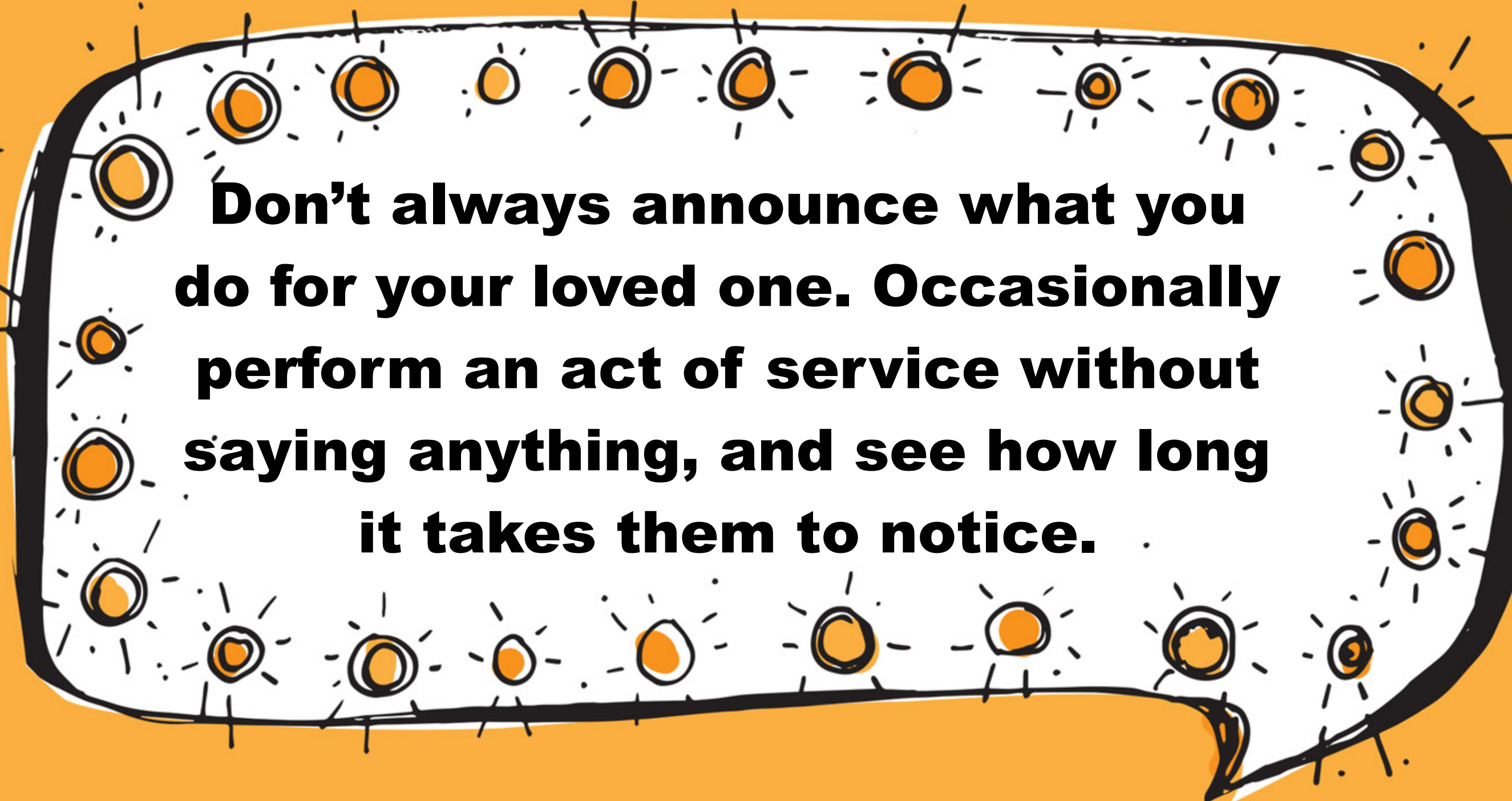
**If they ask you to do something, do it.
Don't make them have to ask you again.**

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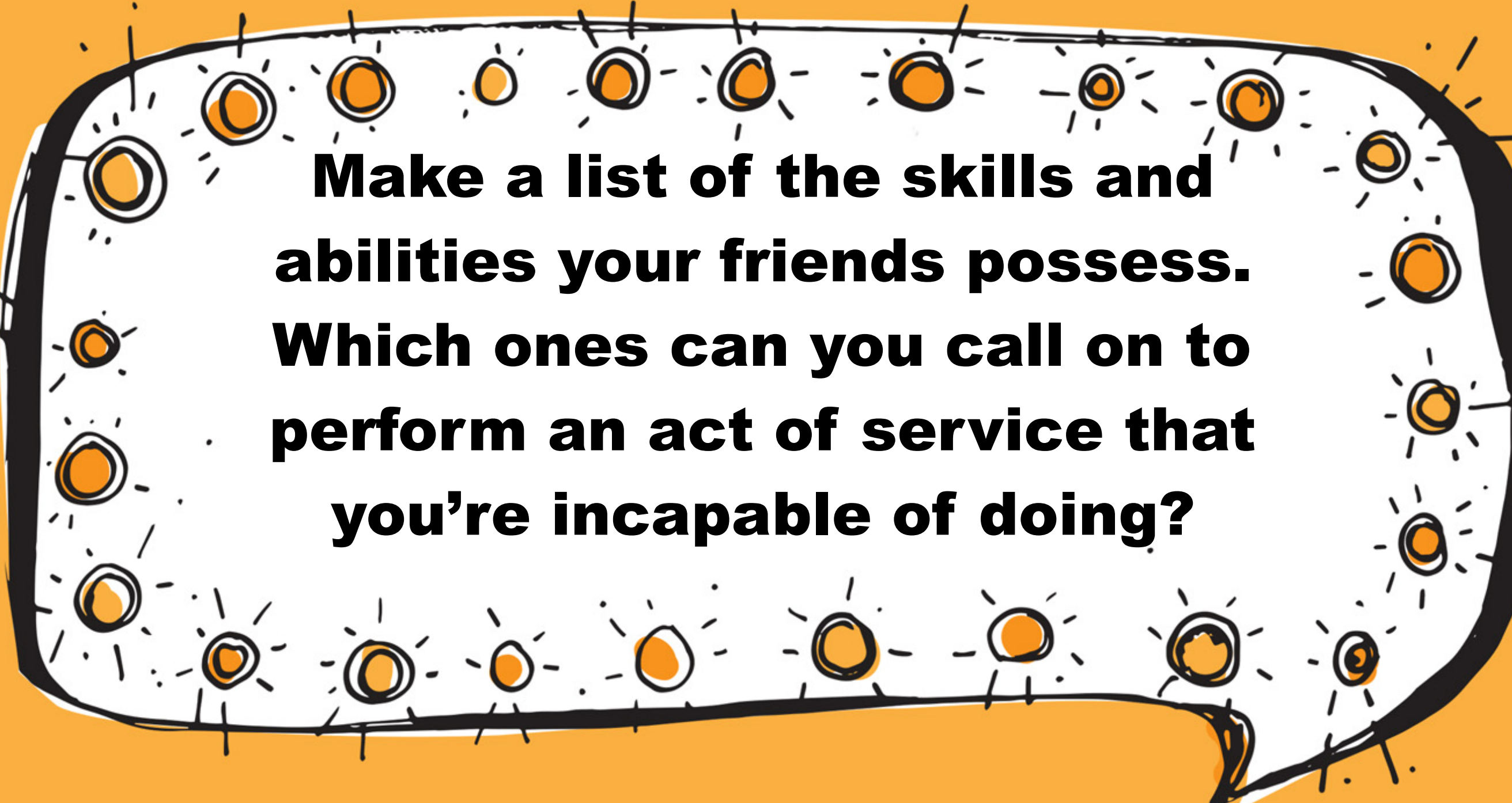
**Make yourself accessible to
in times of extended grief
(such as the death of a
parent or pet).**

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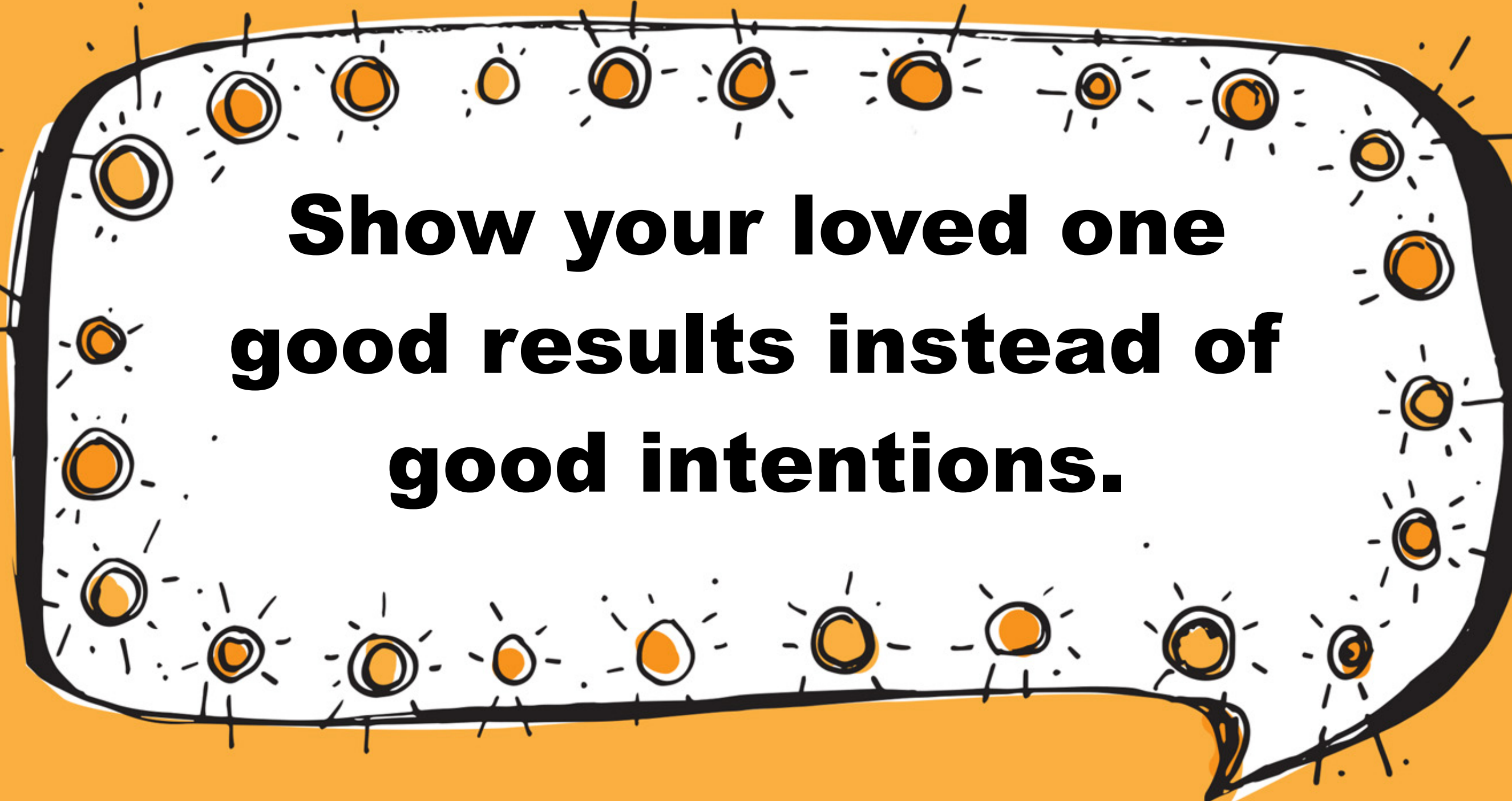
Don't always announce what you do for your loved one. Occasionally perform an act of service without saying anything, and see how long it takes them to notice.

Acts of Service Tips




Make a list of the skills and abilities your friends possess. Which ones can you call on to perform an act of service that you're incapable of doing?

Acts of Service Tips



**Show your loved one
good results instead of
good intentions.**

Acts of Service Tips



Every delay or failed attempt to complete an act of service sends a clear message to your loved one: *this isn't important to me.*