

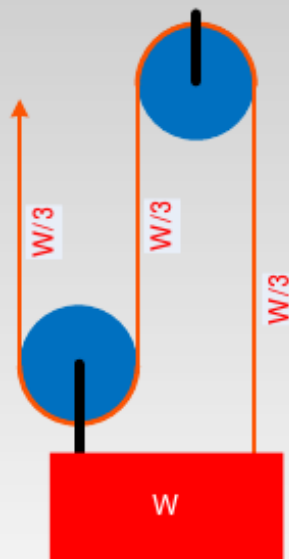
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An Illustration of Crevasse Rescue

- the one thousand steps you need to know to save your climbing partner

without breaking your back

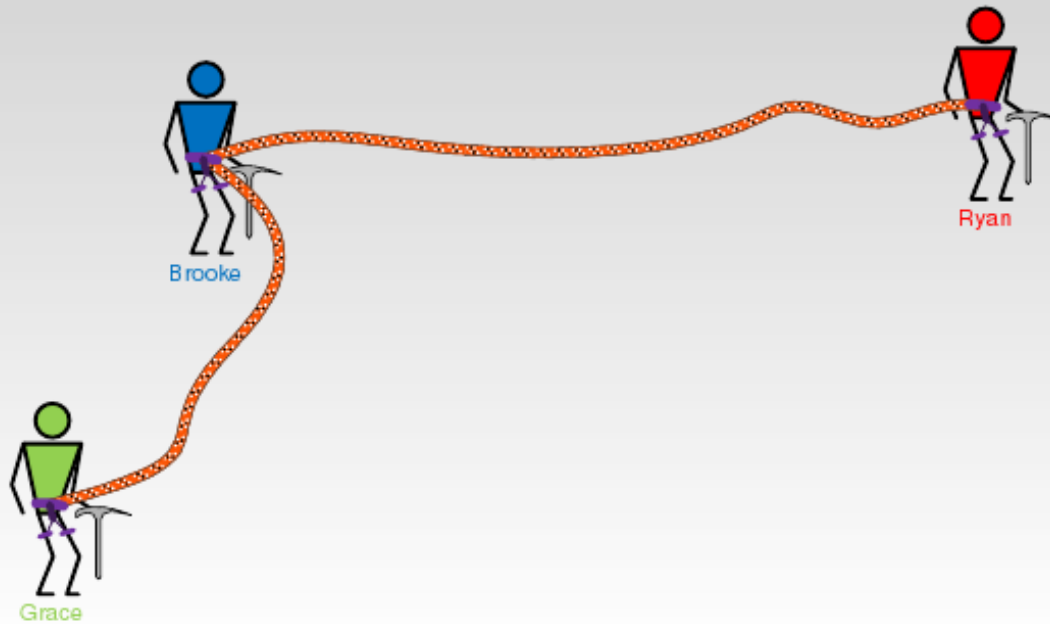
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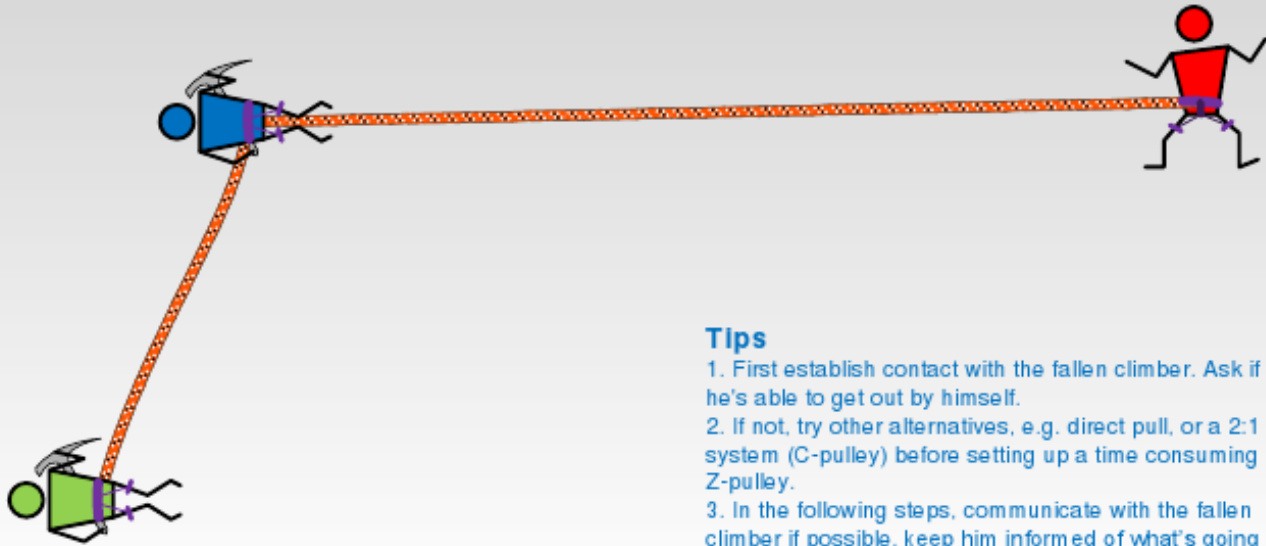


- A rope team travels on crevassed terrain.
- The leader (Ryan) probes the ground with his ice axe.
- The team keeps slack out of the rope to minimize the length of a fall.





- Ryan falls into a crevasse, yelling "falling".
- All rope team members yell "falling" and arrest.

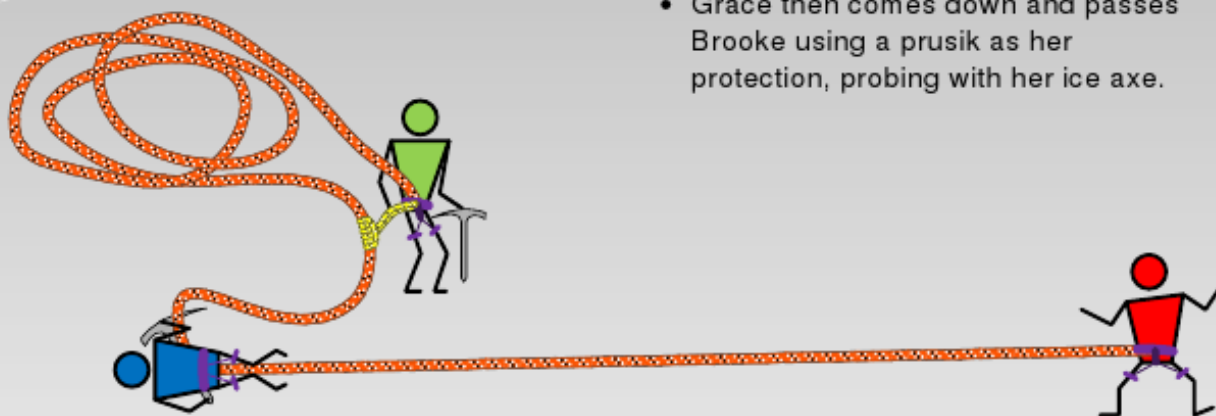


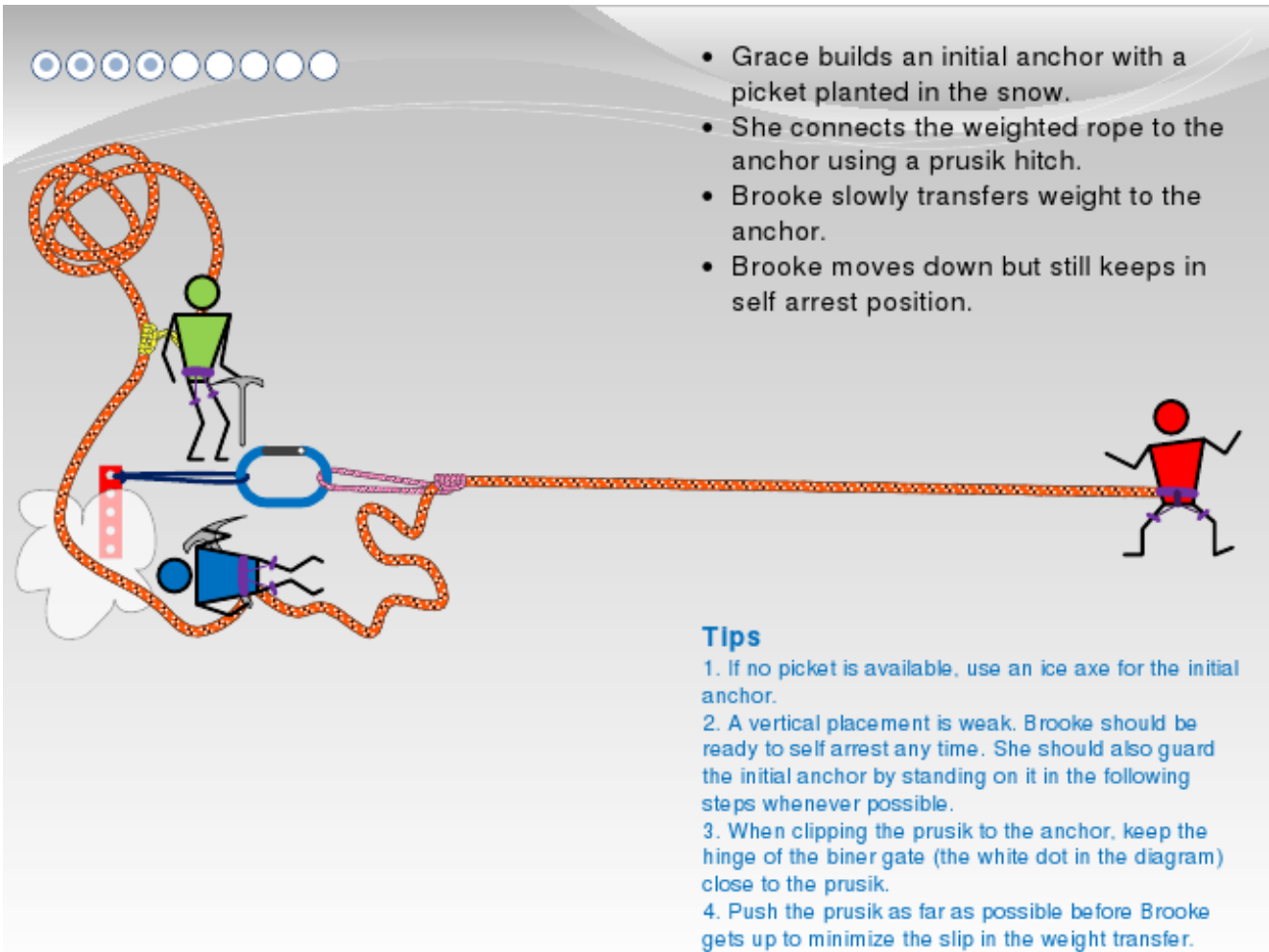
Tips

1. First establish contact with the fallen climber. Ask if he's able to get out by himself.
2. If not, try other alternatives, e.g. direct pull, or a 2:1 system (C-pulley) before setting up a time consuming Z-pulley.
3. In the following steps, communicate with the fallen climber if possible, keep him informed of what's going on.



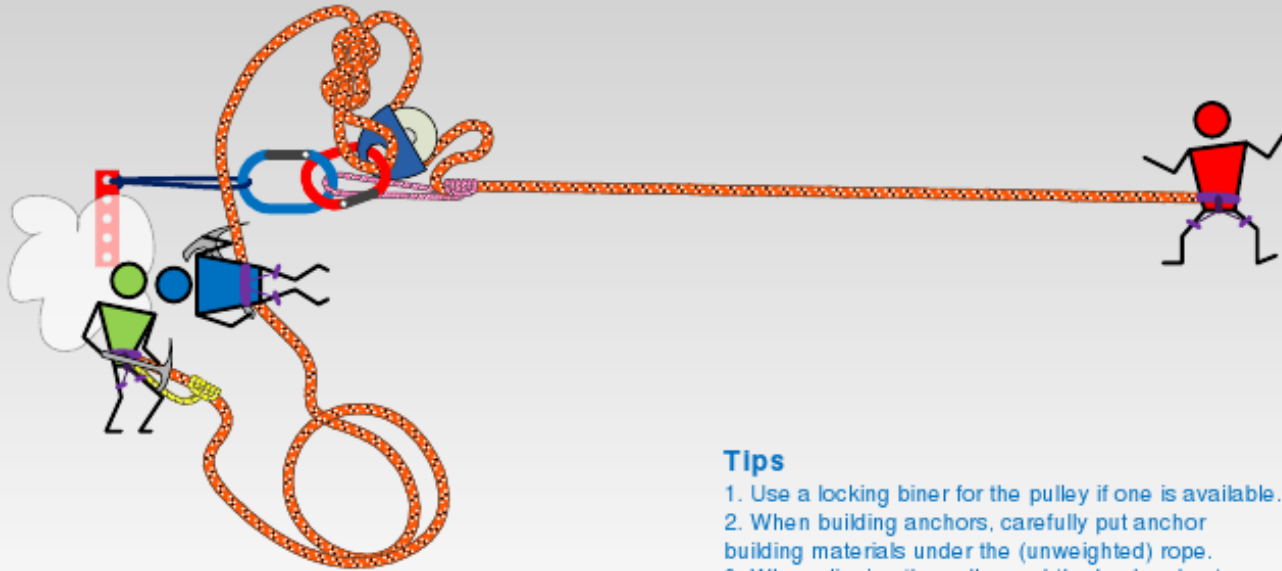
- Grace (end person) eases up as Brooke (middle person) holds the weight of Ryan, the fallen climber.
- Grace then comes down and passes Brooke using a prusik as her protection, probing with her ice axe.





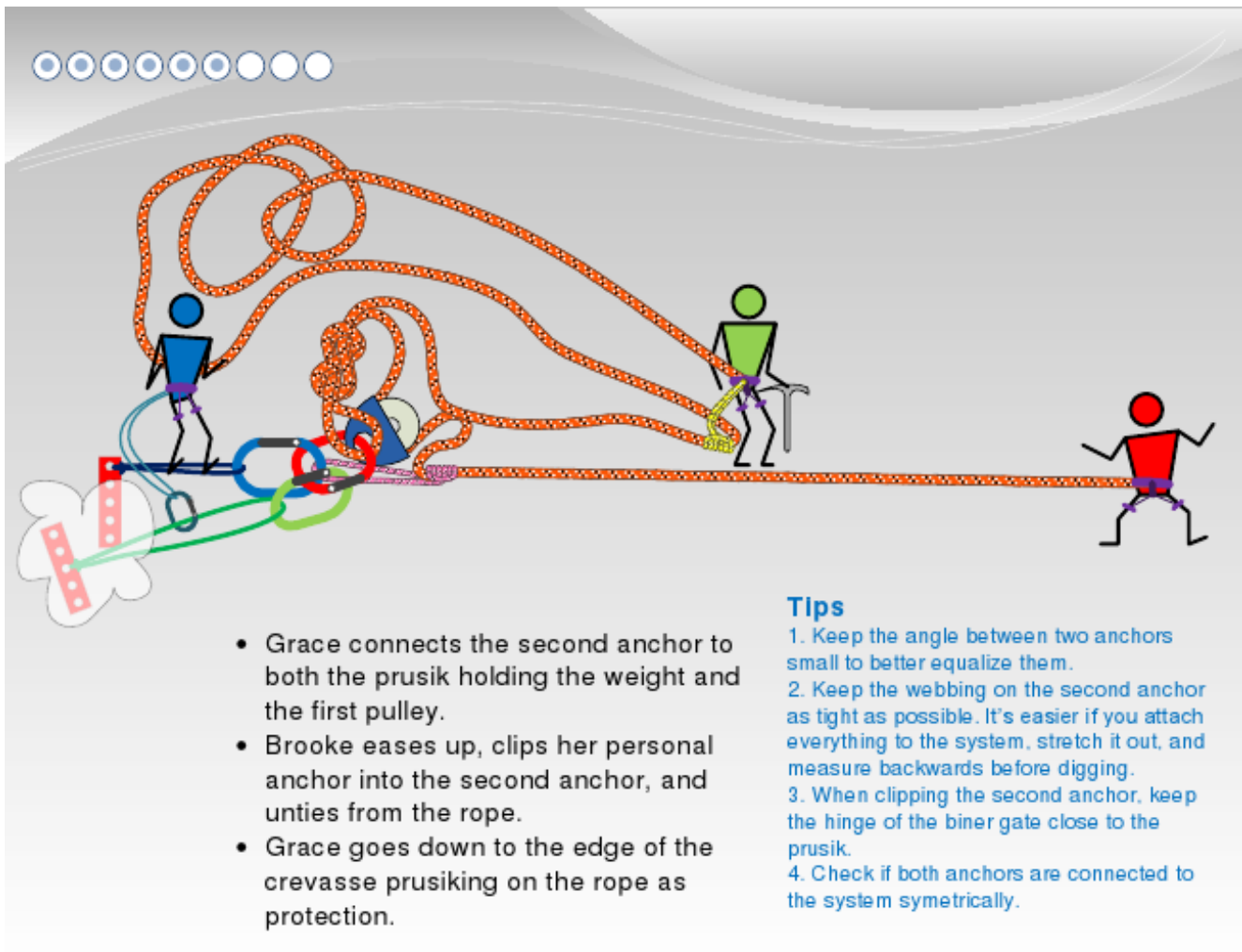


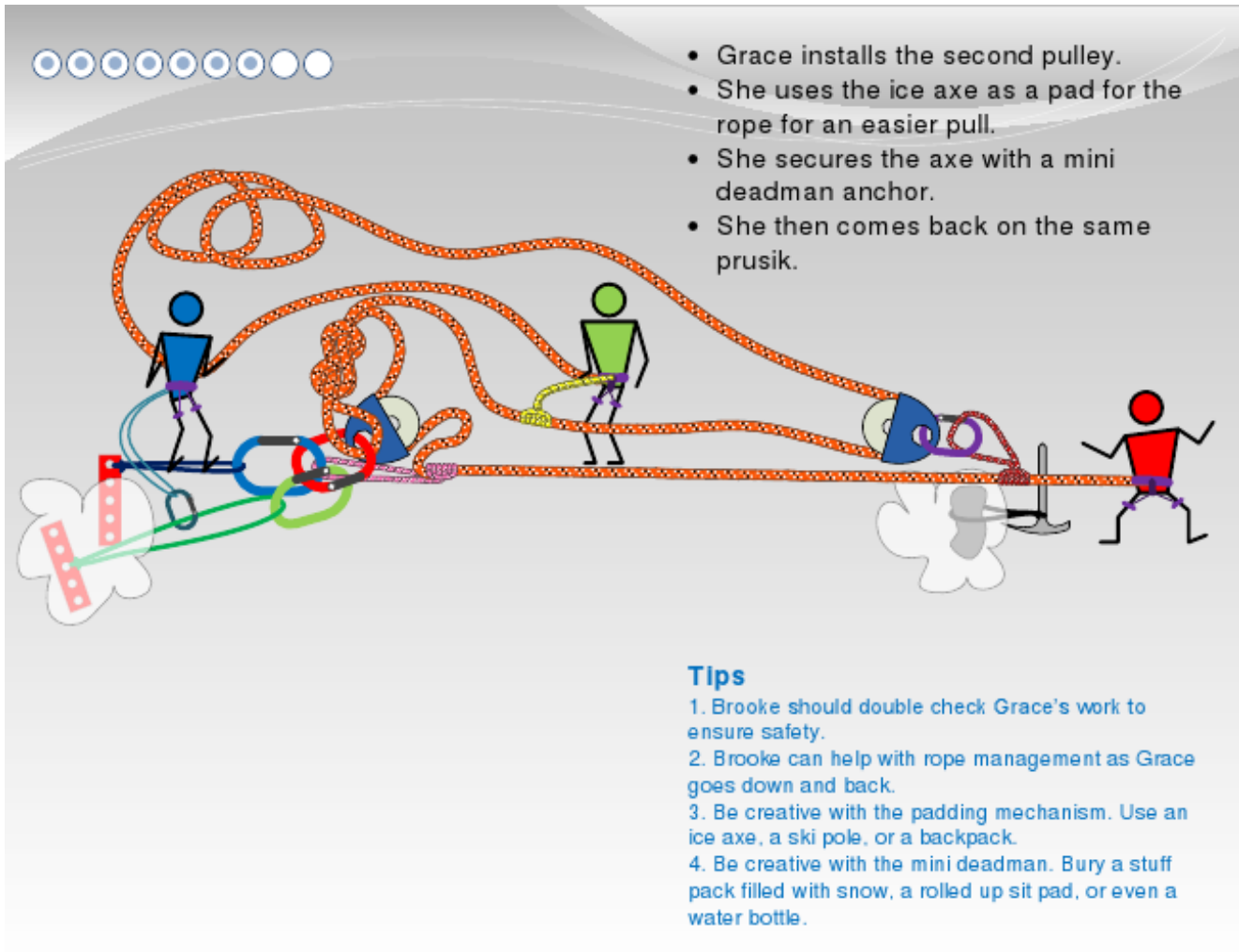
- Grace installs the first pulley with a backup knot (figure 8 on a bight).
- She starts building a second anchor (deadman).

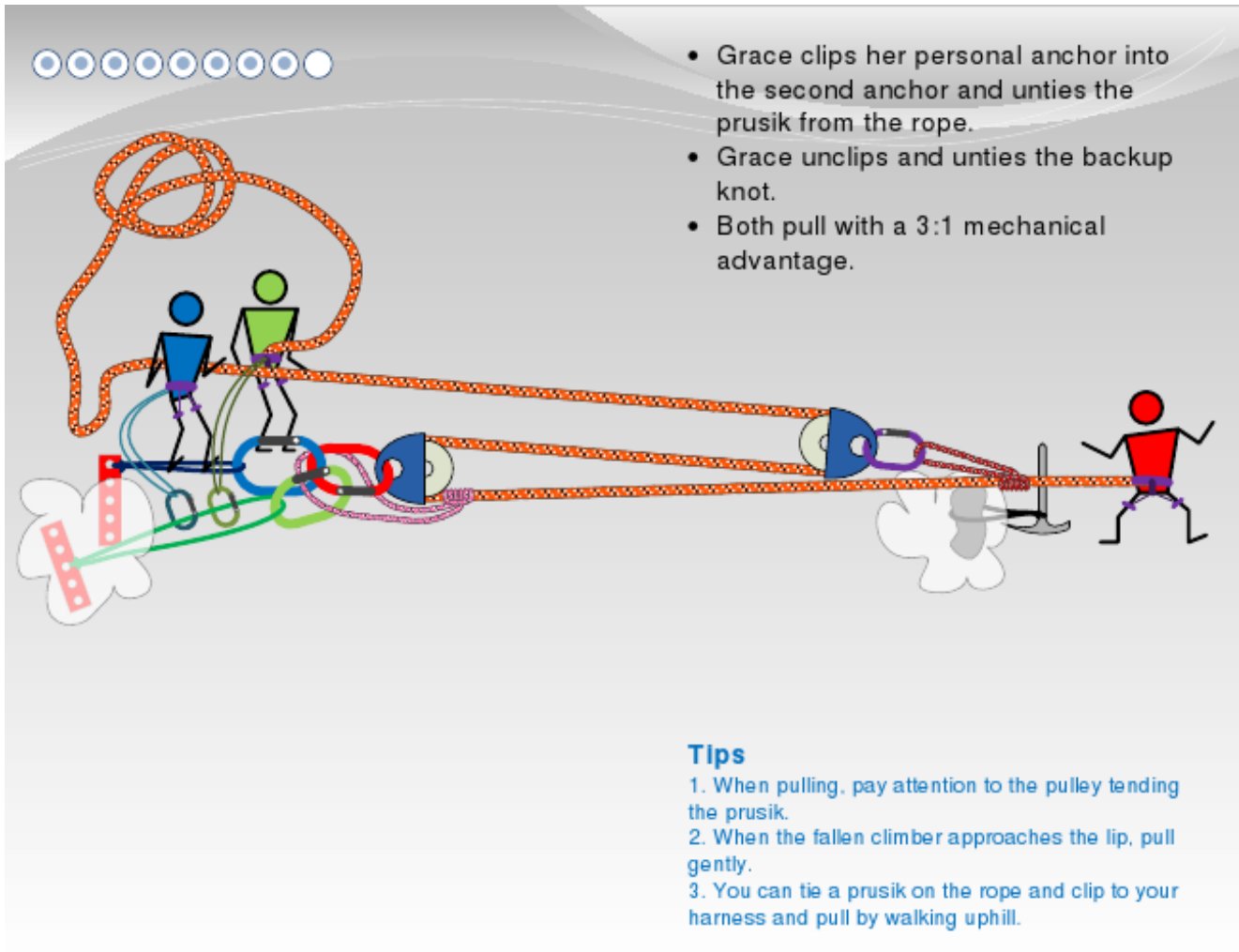


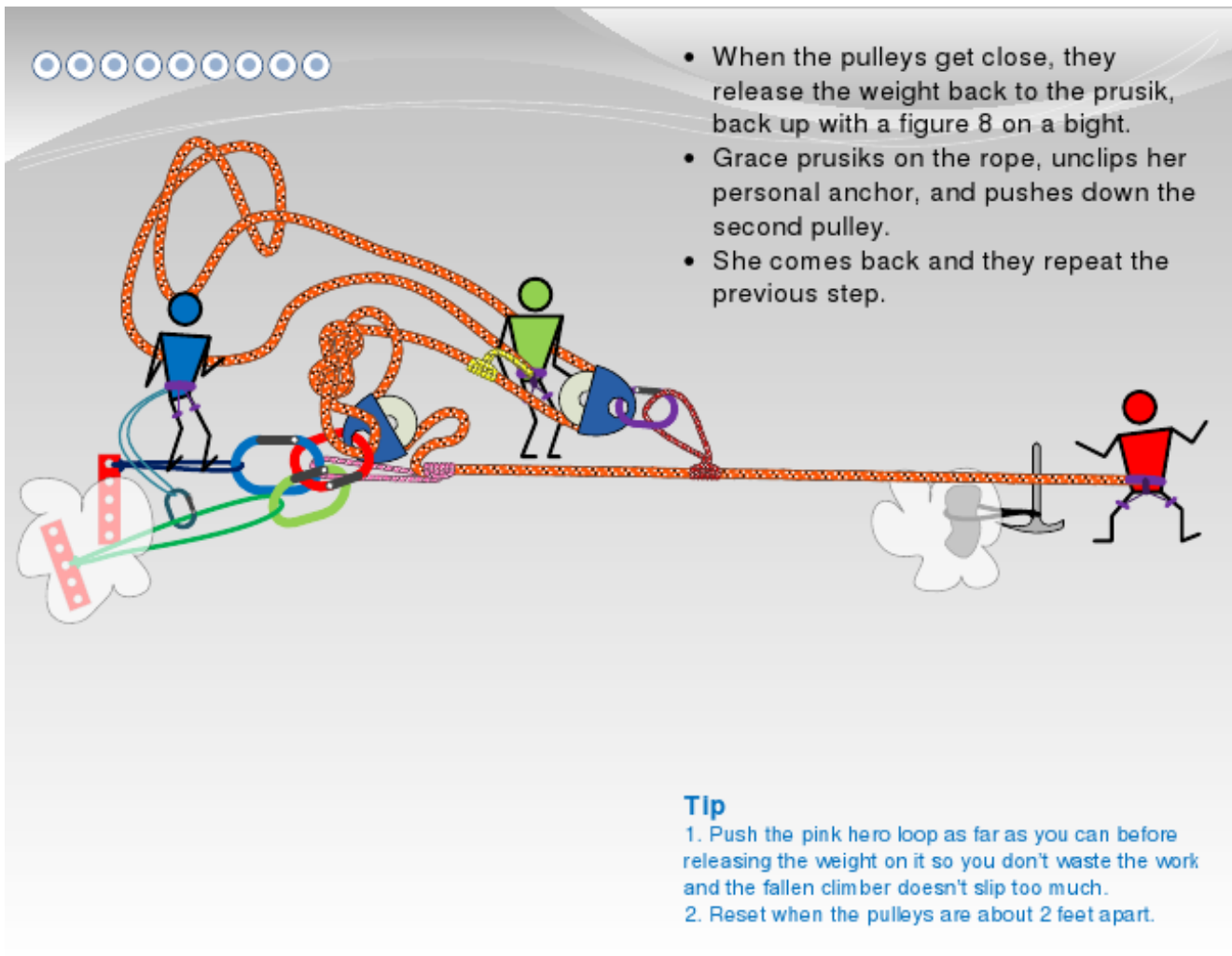
Tips

1. Use a locking biner for the pulley if one is available.
2. When building anchors, carefully put anchor building materials under the (unweighted) rope.
3. When clipping the pulley and the backup knot, keep the hinge of the biner gate away from the fallen climber.
4. Clip the pulley under the backup knot.









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