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Ben's Loose Tooth

by Donna Latham

"I'm *always* last," Ben sighed. "Last to learn to whistle. Last to lose a tooth."

Ben's older sister, Kate, was always bossy. "Jiggle your teeth," she said. "Find one that's wiggly and wobbly."

Tooth by tooth, Ben jiggled. He wiggled the last tooth. "It's wiggly. It's wobbly!"

"Tug it," Kate said.

"Uh!" Ben mumbled. "It's stuck in my gums."

"Hmmm." Kate scrunched her nose. "Munch that apple."

Ben took a bite. "Ouch! No luck."

"Hmmm," said Kate. She tapped her pinky against her chin. "I'll scare it out of you! That's how you get rid of hiccups. Maybe it works for teeth too."

Ben squeezed his eyes shut. He held his breath. He waited and waited. "Hey! When are you going to scare me?" He propped one eye open.

"How scary would it be if I told you?" Kate asked.

"Well—," Ben said.

"Boo!" cried Kate. She flapped her arms.

Ben's fingers flew to the tooth. He wiggled it. He jiggled it. "Blah! I'll never lose a tooth." He hung his head. "I'll never learn to whistle, either."

"Whistle? I can teach you!" Kate said. "Pucker your lips. Leave a tiny space."

Ben scrunched his lips together.

"Perfect." Kate smiled. "Now, shoot the air out. Hard."

With all his might, Ben blasted air. Out burst a high note—with his tooth!



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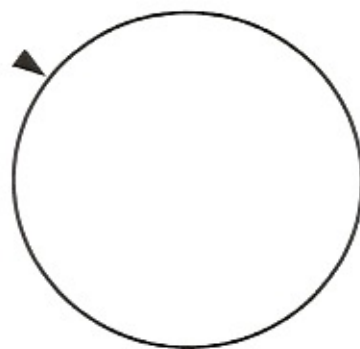
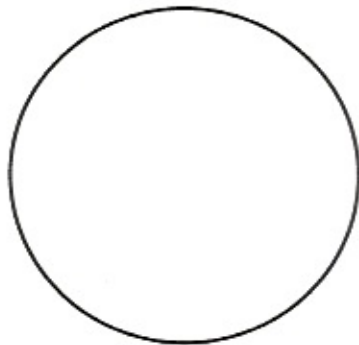
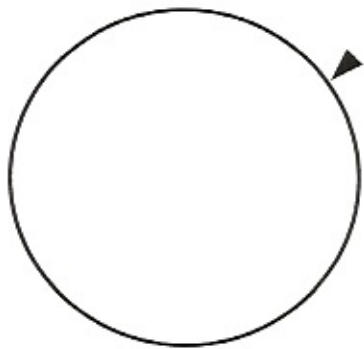
1. What is Ben's main problem in this story?

2. Who is Kate?

- a. Ben's friend
- b. Ben's cousin
- c. Ben's little sister
- d. Ben's big sister

3. Complete the web by listing three ideas Kate had for helping Ben.

Kate's Ideas for Helping Ben Get His Tooth Out



4. What was Ben trying to do when the tooth came out of his mouth?

Name: _____

Emily's Harvest

by Sue Gallion

Emily and Dad planted a garden. Emily waited for the plants to grow. Then she watched for the vegetables to get ripe.

"When can we pick the tomatoes?" Emily asked.

"Tomorrow," said Dad. But as the sun came up, Squirrel chomped on every tomato.



"When can we pick the green beans?" Emily asked.

"Tomorrow," said Dad. But as the sun came up, Rabbit nibbled every green bean.



"When can we pick the cucumbers?" Emily asked.

"Tomorrow," said Dad. But as the sun came up, Emily's dog, Molly, munched on the cucumbers.



When the sun climbed high in the sky, Emily put on her garden gloves. She picked ten jalapeño peppers.



Squirrel watched from a tree. Rabbit watched from behind a bush. Molly watched from a lawn chair.

In the kitchen, Emily and Dad made a big batch of spicy salsa. Emily dipped a tortilla chip in the salsa. Crunch! Everyone was happy with the harvest.

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1. Complete the sentences.

a. Rabbit ate the _____.

b. Molly ate the _____.

c. _____ ate the tomatoes.

d. Emily picked the _____.



2. Who are the two main characters in this story?

3. What is the setting of this story?

4. What is the problem in this story?

5. What did Emily and her dad do with the peppers?

Name: _____

Superhero Joey

by Katherine Rollins

Joey put on his mask.
He flapped his cape in front of the mirror.
This is the best costume, he thought.
I'm sure to win the contest.

Joey skipped downstairs.

"Here I come to rescue you!" Joey shouted.

"Nice costume," said Joey's dad.

"I'm a superhero," said Joey.

"Joey," said Mom, "I need you to watch Mindy at the party."

Joey looked at his little sister. "But Mom, superheroes don't have kid sisters."

"Well this superhero has a sister," said Mom.

"What will Mindy's costume be?" asked Dad.

"I'm not sure," said Mom.

Joey got an idea. "I know!"

Joey took Mindy upstairs to his room.

He dug through his closets.

Joey found his baby blanket.

He put it around Mindy's shoulders.

At the party, Superhero Joey and his sidekick Supergirl Mindy won first prize!



Name: _____

Superhero Joey

by Katherine Rollins



1. Why was Joey dressed like a superhero?

2. What was Joey supposed to do at the party?

- a. fly in the air
- b. help make the food
- c. watch his little sister
- d. clean up

3. Name all four characters in this story.

4. When does this story take place?

- a. at the party
- b. before the party
- c. after the party
- d. at Joey's house

5. What did Joey put on Mindy when he dressed her up as Supergirl?

Something extra: On the back of this paper, draw a picture of Super Joey and his sidekick Supergirl Mindy.

Name: _____

Jack of the Lantern

by Kelly Hashway



Did you know that before people began carving pumpkins to make Jack O' Lanterns, they used to carve other things like potatoes, turnips, and beets? It all began with an old Irish folklore about a man called Stingy Jack who played tricks on everyone. Because of his trickery, Jack's soul was doomed to roam in the darkness forever. Jack supposedly carved a turnip and placed a flame inside it to help him see as he wandered through the dark. The Irish called him Jack of the Lantern.

In Ireland and Scotland, people believed that spirits could return to the land of the living on Halloween. To keep wandering spirits like Stingy Jack from entering their homes, people made their own lanterns by carving scary faces into turnips or potatoes and placing a hot piece of coal inside to light them. They called their lanterns Jack O' Lanterns after Stingy Jack. People in England also carved their own versions of Jack O' Lanterns out of beets to keep spirits away on this night. They believed that the lanterns would light the way for the spirits to move out of their town, keeping them safe until next Halloween.

So how did this tradition evolve into carving pumpkins for Halloween? When millions of Irish people immigrated to America after the Irish potato famine, they had trouble finding potatoes and turnips. They began to use pumpkins, which were more abundant and easier to carve. Today, this Irish tradition is a large part of the American celebration of Halloween.

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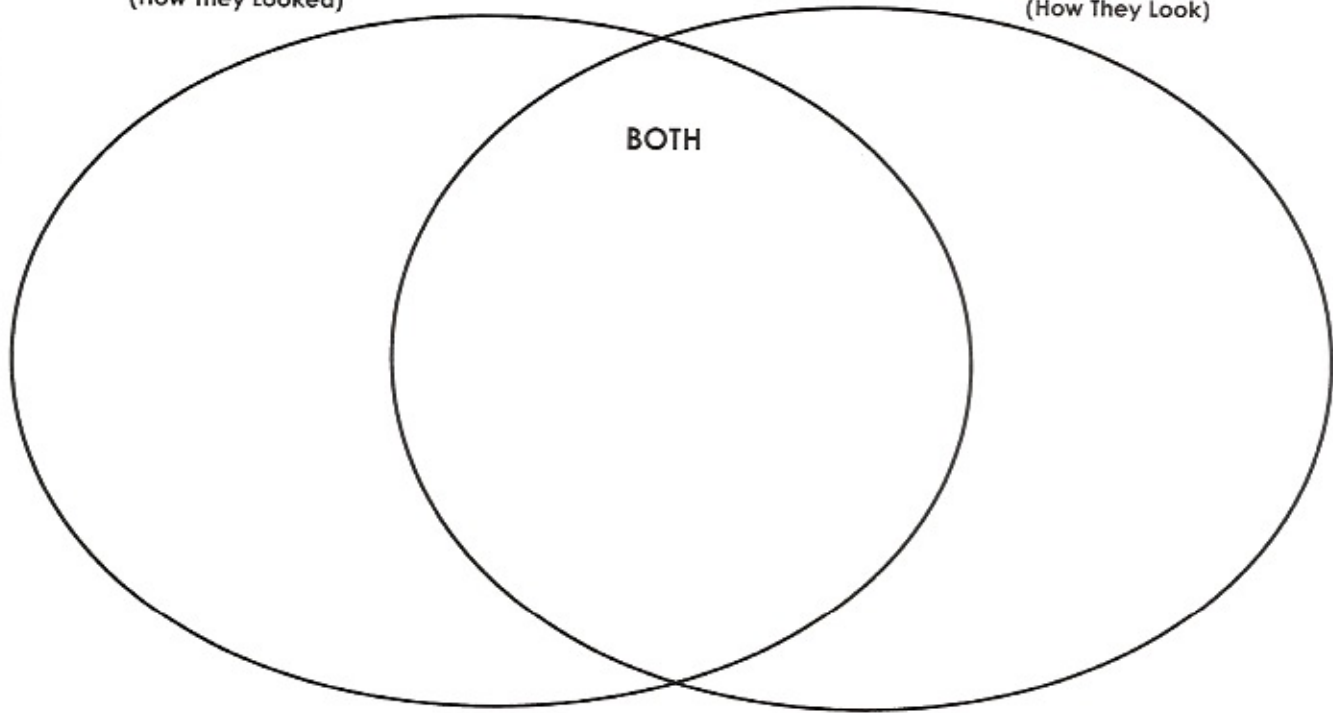
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1. In the Venn diagram below, compare and contrast how early Jack o' Lanterns in Ireland and Scotland looked different from Jack o' Lanterns in America today.

Early Jack o' Lanterns in Ireland and Scotland
(How They Looked)

Modern Jack o' Lanterns in America
(How They Look)



2. What vegetable did Stingy Jack use to carve the first Jack O' Lantern?

3. Why do most Americans choose to carve pumpkins, rather than other fruits or vegetables?

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Read each sentence and choose the best definition for the underlined word.

- In Irish folklore, a man named Stingy Jack played tricks on everyone.
 - stories told by people
 - old cities
 - books written long ago
 - black and white movies
- Stingy Jack carved a face in a turnip.
 - fruit that grows on trees
 - vegetable that grows underground
 - type of pumpkin
 - colorful rock found in a garden
- Some people believed that spirits could return to the land of the living on Halloween.
 - animals
 - witches
 - stars and planets
 - ghosts
- Millions of Irish people immigrated to America.
 - moved to a new country
 - visited another country
 - sent a letter to another country
 - carved pumpkins for another country
- Many Irish people left Ireland during the potato famine.
 - time of the year when leaves fall off of trees
 - time of celebration because there is lots of food
 - time of starvation because there is no food
- Stingy Jack carved a face in a turnip and used it for a lantern.
 - bag
 - light
 - tasty treat
 - cane to talk with

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Trick-or-Treat

by Kimber Krochmal



Did you ever wonder where the idea of Trick-or-Treat comes from? Well, it all started with an old Irish tradition.

The Irish believed that on Halloween night the veil between our world and the spirit world was thin. On that night, ghosts could come back to visit their loved ones.

But they also believed that some ghosts were unhappy and used Halloween to frighten people. The Irish people would put out bowls of milk and fruit on their doorstep. If the spirits were happy with their treats, they would go somewhere else to make their mischief.

Everyone tried to stay inside on Halloween night where it was safe. But anyone who had to go out for some reason would wear a costume and a mask. If the costume was good enough it would confuse the spirits and they wouldn't bother you.

Over time these traditions changed. During the Middle Ages, teenagers and young adults took the place of the spirits. They would dress up and go door to door saying "trick-or-treat." If they were given a treat, they went on to the next house. But if not, they

played a trick on that person. These were harmless tricks and no one ever got hurt from them. Still, it was better to just give them a treat.



When the Irish came to America during the Great Potato Famine, they brought the tradition of "trick-or-treat" with them. Soon everyone was joining in and who can blame them? What could be more fun than dressing up and going from house to house getting candy and treats?

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- 1. Where does the tradition of trick-or-treat come from?**
 - a. United States
 - b. England
 - c. Ireland
 - d. Canada
- 2. Back in the days when people believed unhappy ghosts came out on Halloween, what gifts were left outdoors to keep the ghosts happy?**

- 3. Why did people in Ancient Ireland wear costumes when they went outdoors on Halloween night?**

- 4. In the Middle Ages, teenagers and young adults would play tricks on people who did not give them treats. What kind of tricks did they play?**
 - a. dangerous tricks
 - b. tricks that scared people
 - c. tricks that didn't hurt anyone
 - d. tricks that involved stealing candy
- 5. Trick-or-Treat started as an old, Irish tradition. What is a tradition?**
 - a. an activity that has been going on for a long time
 - b. something that people believe is true
 - c. an event that happens in October
 - d. a type of song that people sang long ago

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Classroom Pets

Many classrooms have pets. This is the best way for students to learn about animals. But classroom pets need a place to go during the summer. In Plano, Texas, the schools have a mini-zoo. Teachers can borrow pets for the school months. When summer comes, they return the pets to the zoo. Schools in other towns should follow this example.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. This is the best way for students to learn about animals.
- _____ B. In Plano, Texas, the schools have a mini-zoo.
- _____ C. Schools in other towns should follow this example.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Name _____ Date _____

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Talking on Trains

Some railroad trains have quiet cars. This means that talking on cell phones is not allowed. It's a great rule. Many people are tired after working all day. They don't care to hear someone else's conversation. People who blab away on cell phones are really rude. Under the cell phone rule, people who do need to talk sit in cars where phones are allowed.



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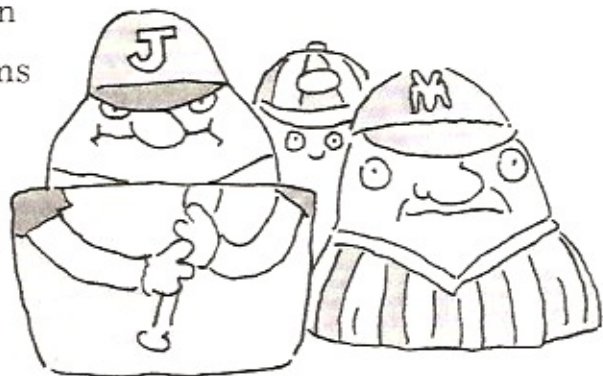
- _____ A. Some railroad trains have quiet cars.
- _____ B. It's a great rule.
- _____ C. Many people are tired after working all day.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Nesting Dolls

Nesting dolls are sets of wooden dolls. I think they are very cute. You twist open each doll to find another, smaller doll inside. These dolls were first made in Russia in 1890. Today major league baseball teams are handing out these dolls. They are called Stackable Stars. Each doll is painted to look like a player on the team. Many fans collect the dolls.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. I think they are very cute.
- _____ B. Today major league baseball teams are handing out these dolls.
- _____ C. Many fans collect the dolls.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

An Unusual Race

Many places have boat races. But the town of Rieti in Italy has a washtub race.

What a silly event! The race takes place on the Velino River. The racers, all men, kneel in the tubs. They use oars to paddle. If a racer isn't careful, the tub tips over.

Also, if a racer doesn't paddle correctly, the tub spins around. In my opinion, you have to be a good sport for this race.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. The race takes place on the Velino River.
- _____ B. What a silly event!
- _____ C. The racers, all men, kneel in the tubs.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.



Name _____ Date _____

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

White Rhinos

One of the most amazing sights at a zoo is the white rhino. This animal is quite rare.

It is the largest of the five kinds of rhinos.

Zookeepers report that white rhinos like spaces that are dry and dusty.

They must be rather messy animals.

In the wild, the white rhino is a target of hunters. They kill these rhinos for their horns. That's horrible!



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

_____ A. It is the largest of the five kinds of rhinos.

_____ B. One of the most amazing sights at a zoo is the white rhino.

_____ C. That's horrible!

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Meet Norman Rockwell

Norman Rockwell was a famous American artist. He was one of the best artists the country has ever seen. Many of Rockwell's paintings appeared on the cover of a magazine. It was called the *Saturday Evening Post*. Rockwell painted all kinds of pictures. When he painted scenes with lots of people, he sometimes ran out of models. Then he painted himself into the picture.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Many of Rockwell's paintings appeared on the cover of a magazine.
- _____ B. He was one of the best artists the country has ever seen.
- _____ C. Then he painted himself into the picture.

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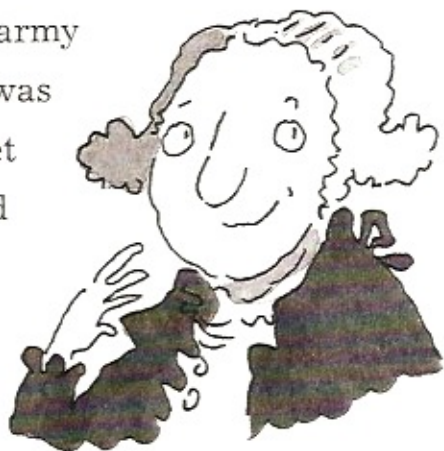


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Crossing the Delaware

Everyone should know this story. In 1776 George Washington was leading the American army against England. The night of December 24 was bitter cold. Snow and sleet were falling. Sleet is the worst kind of weather. Washington and his men were on one side of the Delaware River. During the night they crossed the icy waters. They snuck up on the enemy and beat them in a big battle.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Everyone should know this story.
- _____ B. In 1776 George Washington was leading the American army against England.
- _____ C. During the night they crossed the icy waters.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.



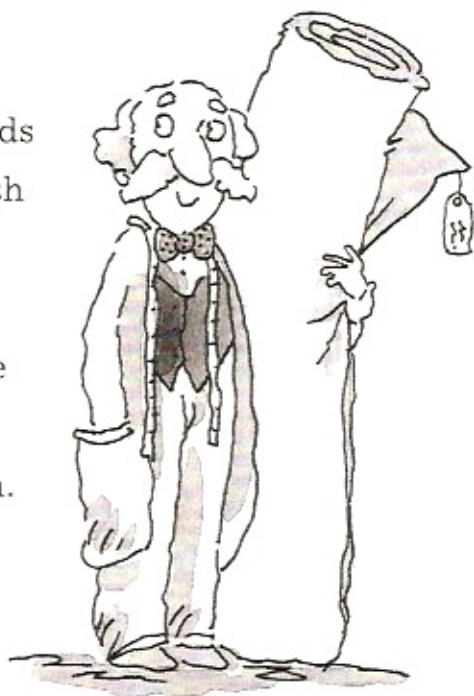
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Word Stories

Thomas Blanket sold woolen goods long ago in England. The English word *blanket* comes from his name. A cloth called calico is named after Calicut. This is a town in India where cotton cloth was made. You should always know where words come from. It's the best way to impress people.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

_____ A. A cloth called calico is named after Calicut.

_____ B. The English word *blanket* comes from his name.

_____ C. You should always know where words come from.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.



Name _____

Date _____

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Big Cat

The jaguar is one of the four big cats. The others are lions, tigers, and leopards. Jaguars live in warm climates in Latin America. They are the most beautiful of all wild cats. A jaguar has a big head and a strong jaw. Its paws and claws are huge. The jaguar is a silent and deadly hunter. However, it rarely attacks people. The jaguar spends most of its time alone and even stays away from other jaguars.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. The jaguar is one of the four big cats.
- _____ B. Jaguars live in warm climates in Latin America.
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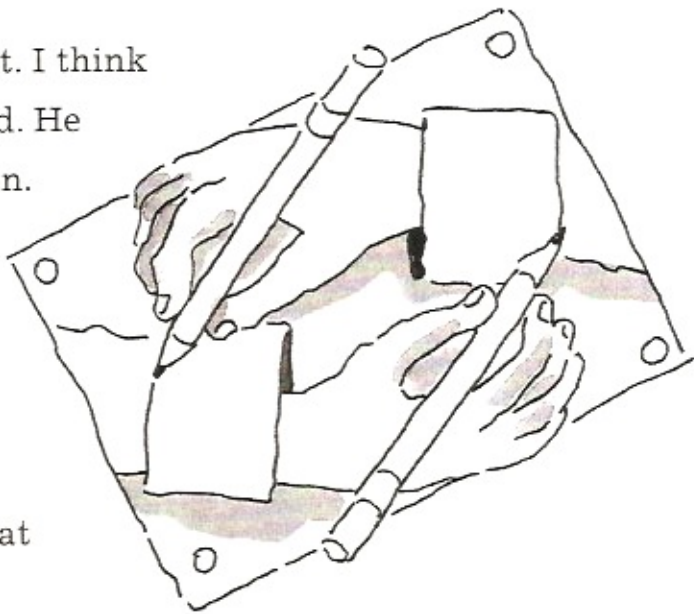
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An Interesting Artist

M. C. Escher was a Dutch artist. I think he had a really amazing mind. He must have been an interesting person. Some of Escher's works are like math puzzles. They show repeating patterns and designs. Escher also drew pictures that tease the viewer. Some of these have paths and staircases that go nowhere. I feel that his work is fun to look at.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. He must have been an interesting person.
- _____ B. Some of Escher's works are like math puzzles.
- _____ C. I feel that his work is fun to look at.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

In a Fog

The worst thing for a driver is fog.

In some parts of the country, fog causes accidents on highways. In 2003, 73 cars crashed during a foggy weekend in Maryland. In some places roads are closed when it is foggy. Other places have special signs that can sense fog. When there is a fog alert, the signs change to lower the speed limit. Drivers shouldn't go out in fog, if you ask me.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. The worst thing for a driver is fog.
- _____ B. In some places roads are closed when it is foggy.
- _____ C. Drivers shouldn't go out in fog, if you ask me.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Name _____ Date _____

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Some Soup!

Birds called swifts are popular in Thailand. People there welcome the birds into their homes. In one city the birds even live in a hotel. The reason the birds are in such demand is their nests. Bird's nest soup is a big treat in Thailand. I don't think I would care for it. Vegetable soup seems better to me!



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Birds called swifts are popular in Thailand.
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- _____ C. In one city the birds even live in a hotel.

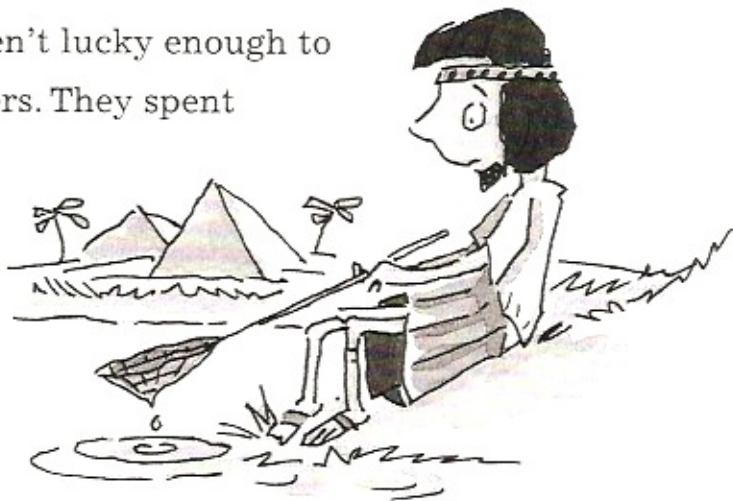
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Family Fun Long Ago

People in ancient Egypt weren't lucky enough to have televisions or computers. They spent their free time in other ways.

Families often went on outings along the Nile River. Sometimes they sailed in boats. Often the children caught fish with spears or nets. They also picked flowers that grew along the shores. Children today have a lot more fun.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

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_____ B. Children today have a lot more fun.

_____ C. Often the children caught fish with spears or nets.

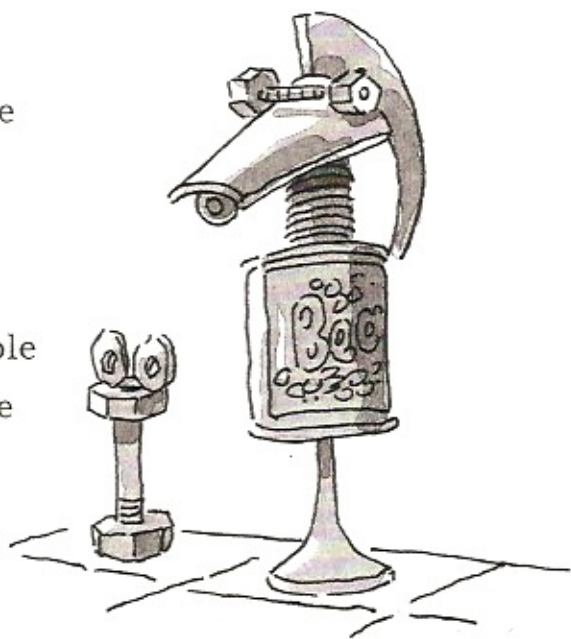
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Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Where Chess Is Big

In North Carolina an artist makes huge chess sets. The sets take up most of a backyard. The pieces are made from “found” materials, usually metal. Each piece is fabulous! To play the game, people walk around on the board. When they are ready to move, they have to push or pull the pieces. This must be the most fun way to play chess.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. In North Carolina an artist makes huge chess sets.
- _____ B. To play the game, people walk around on the board.
- _____ C. Each piece is fabulous!

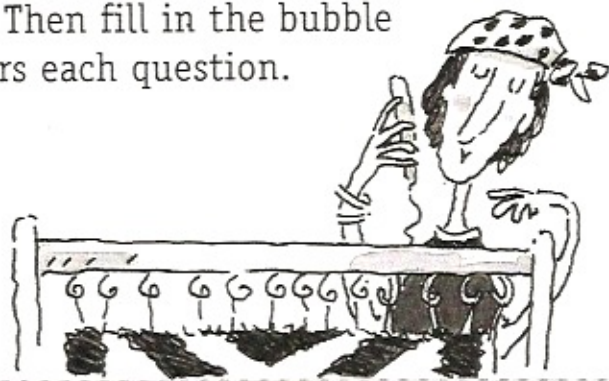
2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Name _____ Date _____

Read each paragraph. Then fill in the bubble that best answers each question.

Weaving

In many parts of the world, women make rugs and blankets on hand looms. They use yarn spun from cotton or wool. The yarn is dyed with natural plant colors. The designs that the women weave are age-old. Often the designs and colors have special meaning to a region or group of people.



1. Which sentence is most likely true?

- A. All rugs and blankets are woven by women.
- B. Weaving is a traditional art in many places.
- C. The weaving industry never uses new designs.

Calling Dana

Dana and her parents sat in the first row. Dana was a little nervous, but her parents had big smiles on their faces. Dana clapped politely as the principal called out names. She watched different students go to the stage. Then her name was called! Excitedly, Dana went up on the stage. She could hear her father cheering as the principal held out his hand.

2. Which sentence is most likely true?

- A. Dana is going to become an actress.
- B. Dana has won an award at school.
- C. Dana is in trouble with the principal.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Silly Laws

Some laws are really stupid. In Idaho you can get in trouble if you fish from a camel's back. That's ridiculous! In Arizona there's a fine if you let a donkey fall asleep in your bathtub. That's just silly. In Vermont it's against the law to whistle underwater. And a city in Minnesota has a law forbidding people to drive red cars.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

_____ A. Some laws are really stupid.

_____ B. In Arizona there's a fine if you let a donkey fall asleep in your bathtub.

_____ C. That's ridiculous!

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.



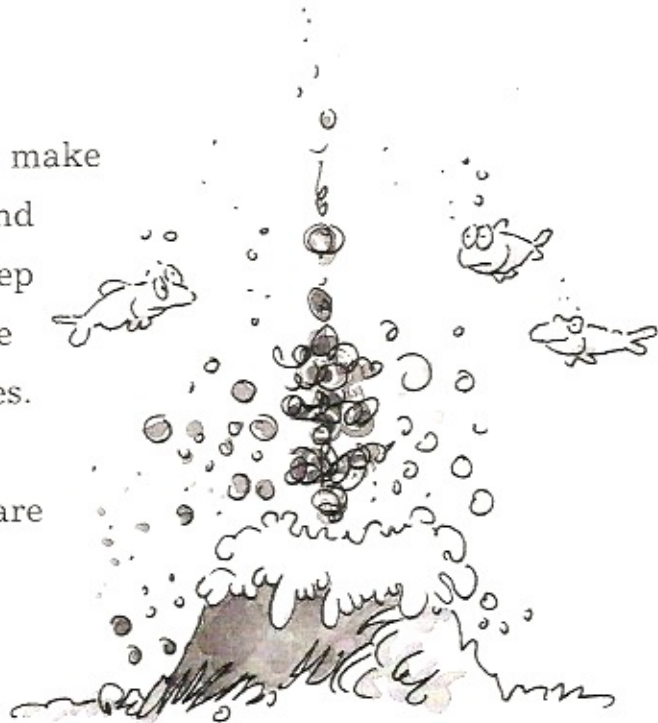
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Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

In the Deep

Scientists use special machines to make maps of the ocean floor. They send sound waves down to measure how deep each spot is. They can also use satellite information to make computer pictures. They have found that Earth's highest mountain range is underwater. There are also volcanoes, slopes, flat areas, and much more. The bottom of the ocean is so interesting.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Scientists use special machines to make maps of the ocean floor.
- _____ B. The bottom of the ocean is so interesting.
- _____ C. There are also volcanoes, slopes, flat areas, and much more.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

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Read each paragraph. Then fill in the bubble that best answers each question.

A Greek Word

In the Greek language *rhinos* means “nose.” Can you see this Greek word in the English word *rhinoceros*? This animal certainly has a big nose! Other English words have *rhinos* in them, too. A rhinovirus might affect your nose. This virus is what people get when they have a cold.



1. Which sentence is most likely true?

- A. A nose doctor is called a rhinologist.
- B. A rhinoceros gets a lot of colds.
- C. The Greek language is full of viruses.

Roger

Roger heard a noise. It was a car coming down the street. Even though he was taking a nap, Roger just had to see who it was. He padded over to the fence. It wasn't a car. It was a truck! Maybe it was the workman he had met yesterday. In a flash, Roger scampered out of his yard.

2. Which sentence is most likely true?

- A. Roger is a neighborhood dog.
- B. Roger is a friendly boy.
- C. Roger is bored with workmen.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Staying Warm

Everyone should learn about the animals of the Arctic.

These animals are super.

They have special ways of living in the cold. For

example, the musk ox has

two layers of fur. The inner layer traps air warmed by the animal's

body. The outer layer has long hairs that protect the ox from wind and water. What a great way to stay warm!



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

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_____ B. What a great way to stay warm!

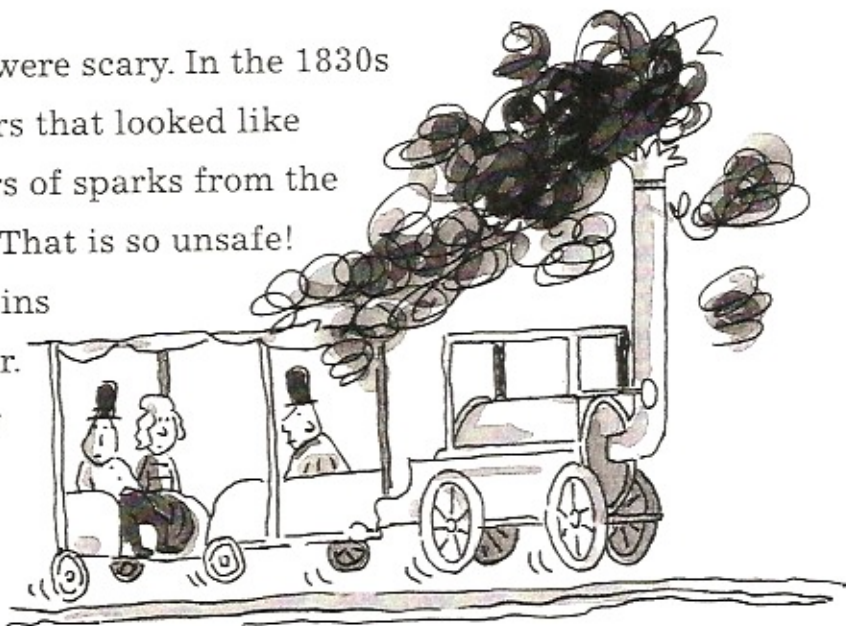
_____ C. The inner layer traps air warmed by the animal's body.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then answer the questions.

Early Train Rides

The first railroad cars were scary. In the 1830s passengers rode in cars that looked like stagecoaches. Often showers of sparks from the engine blew back on them. That is so unsafe! The crew on these early trains didn't even ride inside a car. If it rained or snowed, they just got wet. I would not have worked on one of these trains.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. The first railroad cars were scary.
- _____ B. That is so unsafe!
- _____ C. The crew on these early trains didn't even ride inside a car.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

A Bird Story

Sometimes birds do unusual things. A bird in Pennsylvania spent hours looking in the mirror on the side of a car. Maybe it wasn't a very smart bird. The bird left scratches and dirt on the car. So the owner put a bag over the mirror when the car was parked. That was a clever way to solve the problem.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. A bird in Pennsylvania spent hours looking in the mirror on the side of a car.
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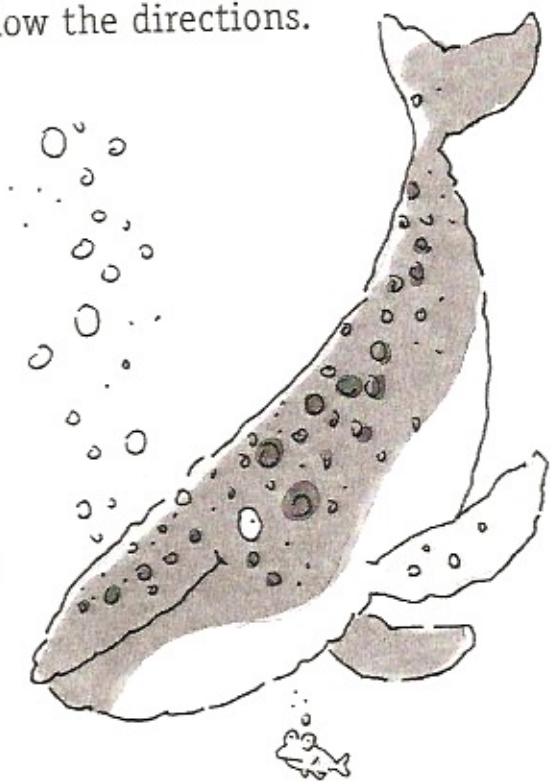
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Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Gray Whales

Gray whales spend their winters in warm waters off Mexico. I think that's very smart of them. The females have their young and nurse them during this time. By late spring the whales begin swimming north. They travel about 5,000 miles to the waters of the Arctic. These are their feeding grounds. They eat tiny creatures that look like shrimp. Gray whales are really amazing.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. I think that's very smart of them.
- _____ B. The females have their young and nurse them during this time.
- _____ C. They travel about 5,000 miles to the waters of the Arctic.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Names on the Map

You can find girls' first names on maps of Georgia.

It's quite amusing. You'll find towns with names such as Lilly or Helen. You'll also find towns called Cornelia and Roberta.

Kathleen just doesn't seem like a town name. Edith is okay for a girl but not for a town. In Georgia you can also visit the communities of Daisy, Lula, and Rebecca.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. It's quite amusing.
- _____ B. Kathleen just doesn't seem like a town name.
- _____ C. You'll find towns with names such as Lilly or Helen.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

In the Shell

When a chick is in its shell, it needs air to breathe. The air seeps through tiny holes in the shell. Then the air passes through a thin skin inside the shell. Blood vessels carry the air to the chick. At one end of the shell is an air bubble. When the chick is ready to hatch, it pops this bubble. Then it practices using its lungs to breathe. Chicks look funny when they hatch.



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- _____ B. Blood vessels carry the air to the chick.
- _____ C. Chicks look funny when they hatch.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Different Customs

People in other lands have some strange customs. I would like to live in South Korea. It's good manners to slurp soup there. I think slurping soup shows that you like it. My mother says it is impolite. In South Korea it is also good manners to burp. I love the idea. A good slurp and a good burp are fine with me.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

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- _____ B. It's good manners to slurp soup there.
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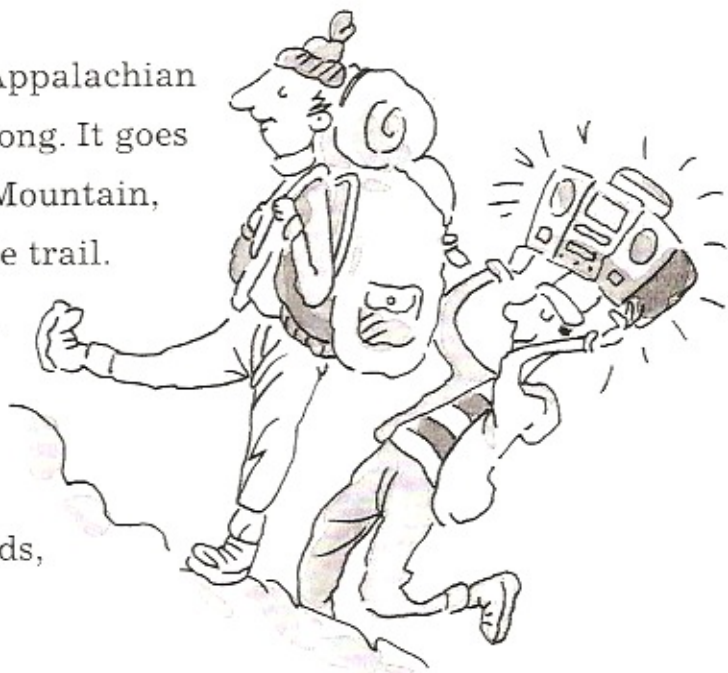
2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Name _____ Date _____

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

The Appalachian Trail

Everyone wants to walk on the Appalachian Trail. This path is 2,160 miles long. It goes from Katahdin, Maine, to Springer Mountain, Georgia. Some hikers walk the whole trail. Others follow it for a few hours or a day. The most annoying people on the trail are noisy teens. They should stay at home. However, most people walk along and enjoy the birds, animals, and plants.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Everyone wants to walk on the Appalachian Trail.
- _____ B. This path is 2,160 miles long.
- _____ C. The most annoying people on the trail are noisy teens.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Pilgrim Food

Pilgrims didn't have refrigerators. They had other ways to keep food from going bad. To keep meat fresh, they stored it in barrels of salt. Salty food doesn't taste very good. The Pilgrims hung vegetables and fruits up to dry them. They put some foods like turnips and carrots in cool places to keep them fresh. They also buried eggs in straw. I think our meals are more tasty than what the Pilgrims ate.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

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- _____ B. To keep meat fresh, they stored it in barrels of salt.
- _____ C. Salty food doesn't taste very good.

2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Cloth for Clothes

People wear clothes made of cotton, wool, silk, and many other materials. Silk is the best. Now a scientist has invented cloth with tiny wires in it. This cloth can pick up signals from the wearer's body. I think this is very exciting. For example, the cloth can tell what a person's temperature is. If the wearer is sick, the cloth can send a signal to a computer to call for help.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

- _____ A. Silk is the best.
- _____ B. Now a scientist has invented cloth with tiny wires in it.
- _____ C. This cloth can pick up signals from the wearer's body.

2. Write another opinion from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

State of Good Food

Rhode Island is the best state for good food. Eating there is so much fun. If you want a milkshake, you have to order a cabinet. That's the name it's called in Rhode Island. Many places sell coffee milk. This is a drink like chocolate milk that is made with coffee syrup. It's yummy. For breakfast Rhode Islanders eat johnnycakes. These are pancakes made with cornmeal.



1. Write *fact* or *opinion* next to each sentence.

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2. Write another fact from the paragraph.

Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions.

Measure by Measure

People and horses are measured for height in different ways. People are measured from head to toe. But horses move their heads up and down a lot. It is hard to get a fixed measurement. So horses are measured from their feet to their withers. The withers are on a horse's back above the shoulders. You should remember this to tell your friends.



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