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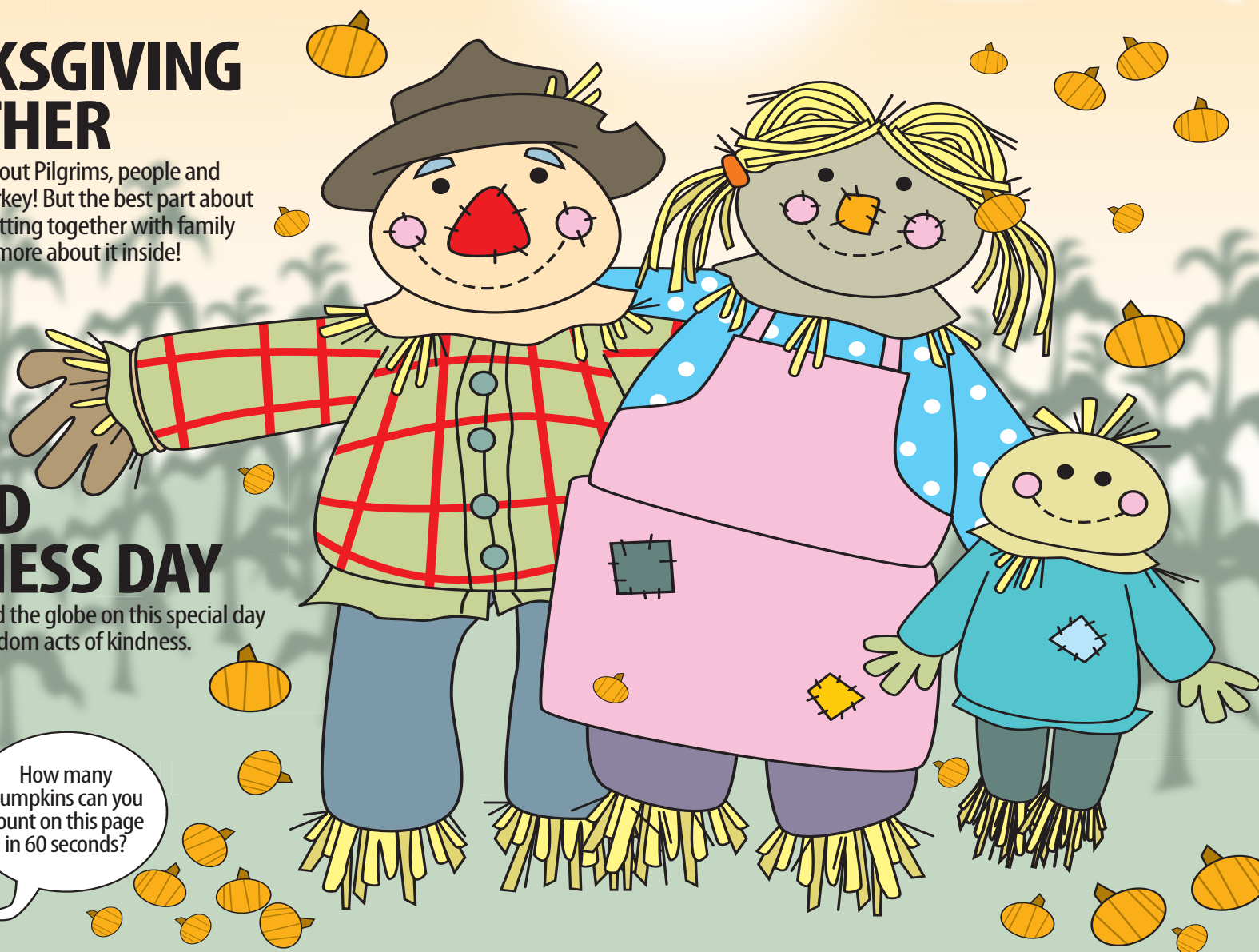
Thanksgiving is about Pilgrims, people and history — and turkey! But the best part about Thanksgiving is getting together with family and friends. Read more about it inside!

WORLD KINDNESS DAY

Join people around the globe on this special day of committing random acts of kindness.



How many pumpkins can you count on this page in 60 seconds?



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In the month of November, we celebrate Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. A non-profit organization called **Operation Gratitude** lets you celebrate both at the same time by thanking the people who keep us safe.



Thanking Those Who Protect Us

Operation Gratitude collects thank you letters, cards, handmade gifts, snacks, pictures and more and sends them to:

- U.S. Troops
- First Responders
- Military Veterans
- Military Families
- Wounded Heroes & their Care Givers

The gifts and notes are boxed into care packages and sent to the people who bravely serve our country and communities. You and your family can take part in this special way to show thanks.

Photos courtesy of Operation Gratitude

How to Send a Letter

Below are some of the Operation Gratitude guidelines for letters of appreciation. Visit www.operationgratitude.com for more information on the letters and where to send them.

- ★ Express your thanks for their selfless service.
- ★ Share a little about yourself: family, hobbies, work, school, pets, travel, etc.
- ★ Children's letters: Include first names only and do not include addresses.
- ★ Can't find the words? Consider artwork instead.
- ★ No glitter or confetti please!

"I would like to thank this group for the care package sent. Reading the comics was something that took me back to a normal routine of home. This was very much appreciated."

— J.G.

"I truly appreciate the love and concern that you've shown myself and my unit. Thank you very much for the care package."

— A.F.



"I really appreciate the effort you put into making sure that a soldier like myself feels appreciated while doing this job. Sometimes it becomes hard to remember why I chose this profession but when I hear from people like yourself and the others that wrote it makes it a little clearer. So once again thank you."

— TSgt. C.

World Kindness Day!

November 13 is World Kindness Day! Join people around the world on this day and commit random acts of kindness!

Celebrate World Kindness Day!

There are many simple ways to celebrate World Kindness Day. Read the list below. Choose one thing you could do. Draw a picture or write a sentence about the action you pick.

Be generous with your smile!

Give 10 hugs in one day!

Start a conversation with a new student or someone who looks lonely.

Smile at people who look sad.

Write a nice note to someone having a bad day.

Standards Link: Social Studies: Students understand the importance of individual action and character.

1. What unexpected acts of kindness did the lion and the mouse each do?
2. How did acts of kindness change both their lives?

Standards Link: Civics: Know character traits that contribute to the health of American democracy.

The Lion and the Mouse

This famous Aesop fable tells of the importance of kindness.



Random Rocks of Kindness

Read the news story below. Fill in the missing words on each blank line using the words in the word box.

OUTDOORS	HUNT	HID	TURNING
PEOPLE	ENJOYED	LOCATION	HIDE

In 1918, Tiffany Lester of Regina, Saskatchewan in Canada wanted to something kind for _____ in her community. She and some friends started painting rocks and _____ them around the community.

People in the community _____ going outdoors to _____ for the rocks. Some started painting more rocks and hiding those. When people find a rock, they are asked to post the _____ on social media.

What do they do with the rocks? Most of them _____ them again, to keep the fun going.

Children are _____ off their digital devices and spending more time _____ trying to find the rocks.

Gather some friends and paint and hide kindness rocks. That would be an act of kindness for your community!



You can visit the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation at www.randomactsofkindness.org.

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Missing Vowels

The vowels are missing from this famous quote about kindness. Can you replace them all?

A=☺ **E**=★ **I**=🌸 **O**=❤ **U**=☾

“H _ m _ n k _ ndn _ ss h _ s n _ v _ r w _ k _ n _ d
 th _ st _ m _ n _ r s _ ft _ n _ d th _ f _ b _ r _ f
 fr _ p _ pl _ . A n _ t _ n d _ s n _ t h _ v _
 t _ b _ cr _ l t _ b _ t _ gh.”

—Franklin D. Roosevelt
 32nd President of the United States

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

KINDNESS
 COMMIT
 RANDOM
 PLANET
 LONELY
 AESOP
 ACROSTIC
 QUOTE
 ROPES
 STUDENT
 JUNGLE
 POEM
 HUGS
 ACTS
 WORD

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

R	T	C	I	T	S	O	R	C	A
N	S	S	T	C	A	P	D	W	M
S	S	O	E	T	O	U	Q	O	H
E	E	M	P	S	Q	M	D	R	U
L	N	P	E	L	E	N	M	D	G
G	D	A	O	O	A	Y	K	I	S
N	N	G	P	R	I	N	D	O	T
U	I	Q	T	L	O	N	E	L	Y
J	K	A	T	N	E	D	U	T	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.



Thanksgiving Together

Sure, Thanksgiving is about Pilgrims and history — and turkey, of course! But the best part about Thanksgiving is getting together with family and friends and remembering all the things for which we are thankful. This page is for *everyone* in the family and features activities you can all do together!

Make Thanksgiving Dinner Place Cards

Stuff You'll Need:

- ☐ Manila file folders (one per person)
- ☐ newspaper
- ☐ scissors
- ☐ glue stick



1. Cut off the folded end of a file folder to make a strip about 3-4 inches deep. Make one for each person coming to Thanksgiving dinner.

2. Cut out the letters from the newspaper that spell each person's name. Glue them onto one side of the place card.



3. Decorate the place cards with pictures from the newspaper.

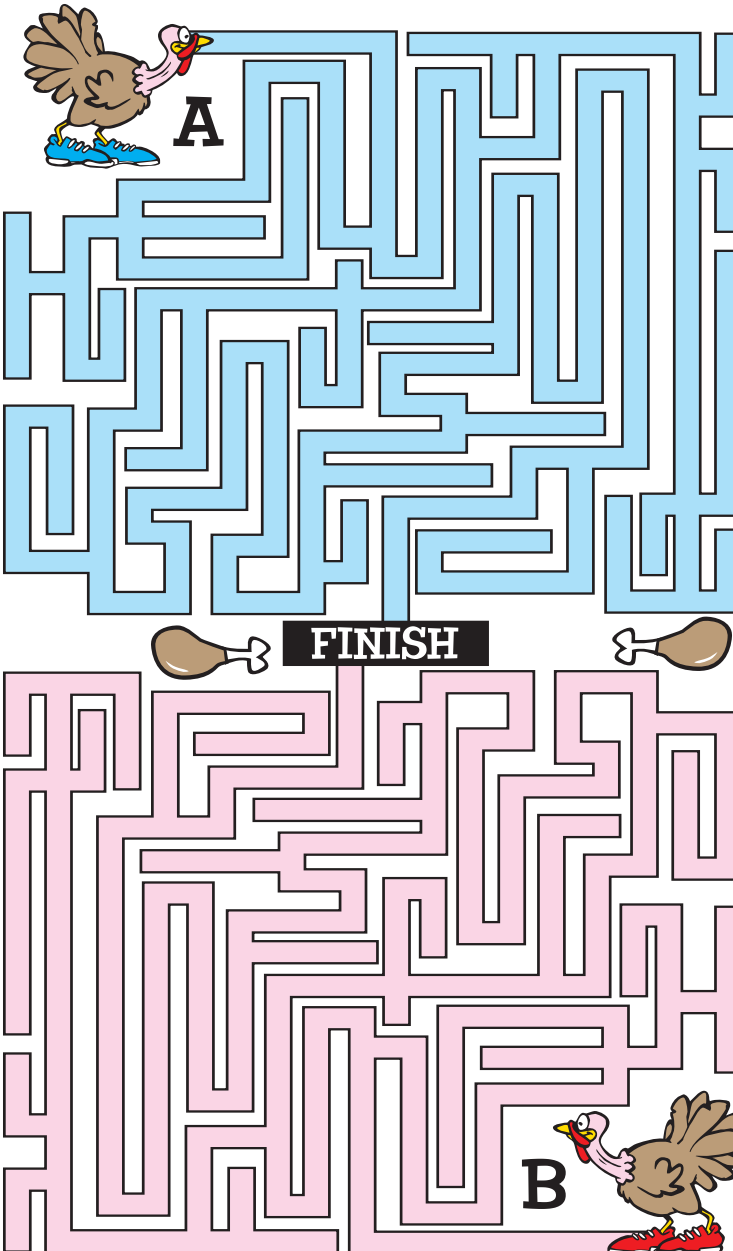


Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple, multiple-step written instructions.

Turkey Trails



Start at the beginning of Trail A. Have a family member or friend start at Trail B. Who can reach the finish line first?



Zany Turkey Day Tale

Pass the giggles! Ask a family member to give you seven nouns, one plural noun, one verb and one adjective. Then, fill in the blanks and read the story aloud. Let the laughter begin!

One Thanksgiving, we invited a

_____ to the big feast.

NOUN

It was a huge mistake.

Our guest had horrible

_____ manners,

NOUN

and enjoyed smearing _____

NOUN

in people's hair. Our guest then

decided to _____

VERB

around Uncle Lou and cover Aunt

Madge with _____.

PLURAL NOUN

Later, our delicious _____

NOUN

pie ended up in our

ADJECTIVE

NOUN

This year, we invited a

_____. Hopefully,

NOUN

our new recipe for _____

NOUN

stuffing is a success!

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use nouns, adjectives and verbs in writing.

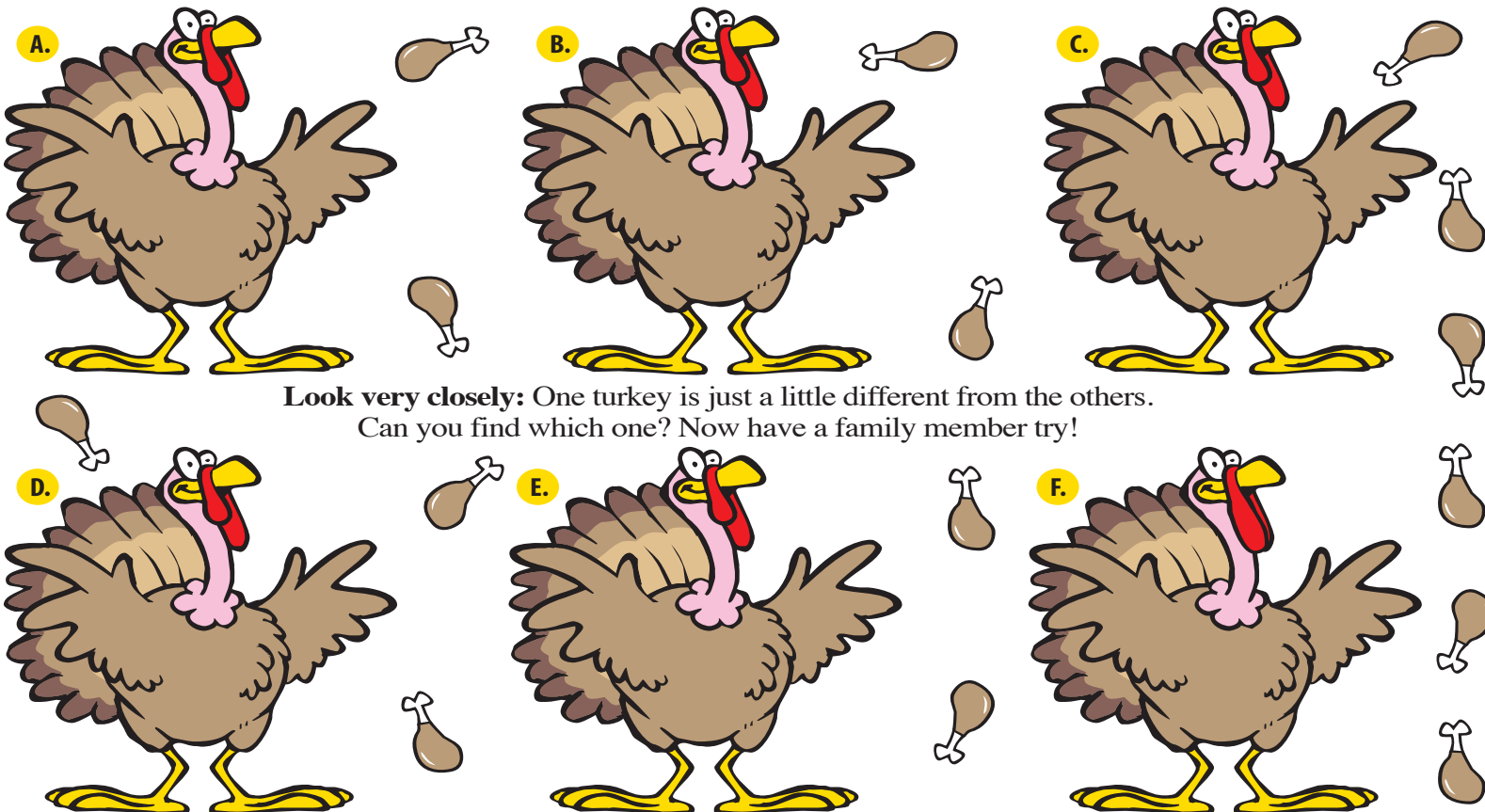
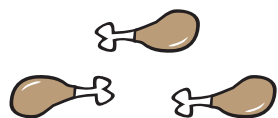


Stuffed with Silliness

Each family member gets 60 seconds to see how many drumsticks they can find on these pages.

Whoever finds the most doesn't have to clear the table!

Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.



Look very closely: One turkey is just a little different from the others. Can you find which one? Now have a family member try!

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Your parents are always reminding you to say it. Now you can amaze them by saying **Thank you** in seven different languages! Match the **Thank you** to the country from which it comes.



Tak (takg)



Gracias (gra-see-us)



Merci (mehr-see)



Kiitos (kee-toas)



Danke (dahn-kah)



Arigato (ahree-gah-tow)



Dziekuje (dsyne-koo-yeh)

FRANCE

DENMARK

JAPAN

POLAND

FINLAND

MEXICO

GERMANY



Double Double Word Search

TURKEY
LOCATION
PILGRIMS
CARDS
ADJECTIVE
FEAST
HISTORY
DINNER
MERCY
JAPAN
POLAND
HUNT
FILE
FOLDER
DANKE

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

R	Y	R	O	T	S	I	H	A	S
E	D	T	L	T	H	A	D	M	D
D	A	N	O	I	U	J	I	H	R
L	N	K	C	S	E	R	U	G	A
O	K	R	A	C	G	N	K	J	C
F	E	I	T	L	T	S	A	E	F
M	V	I	I	I	N	P	G	L	Y
T	V	P	O	L	A	N	D	I	A
E	R	E	N	N	I	D	L	F	E

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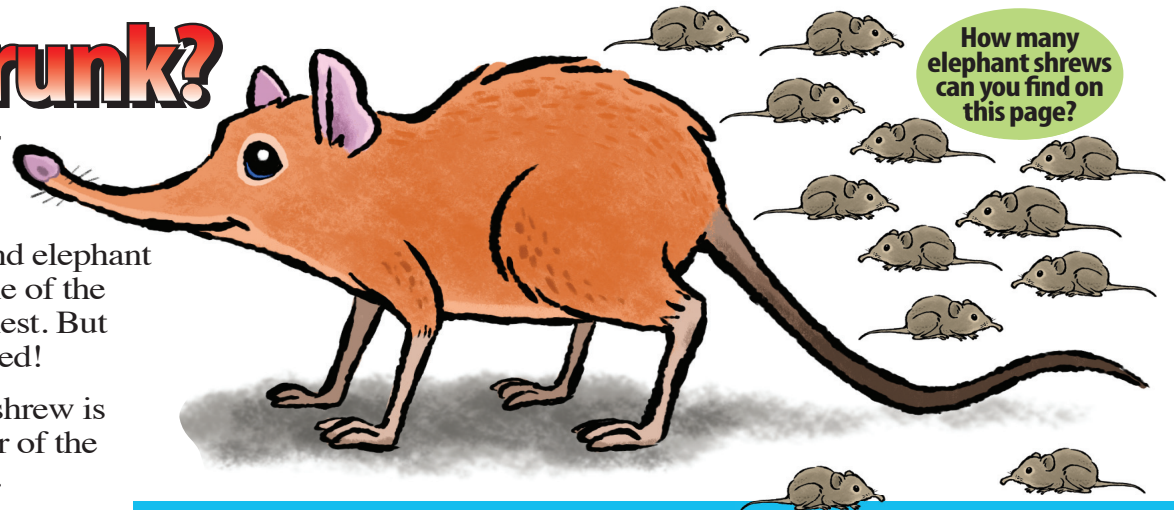
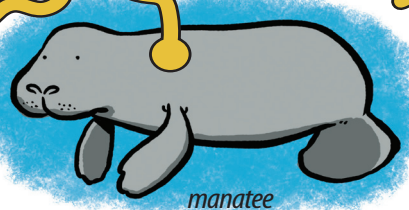
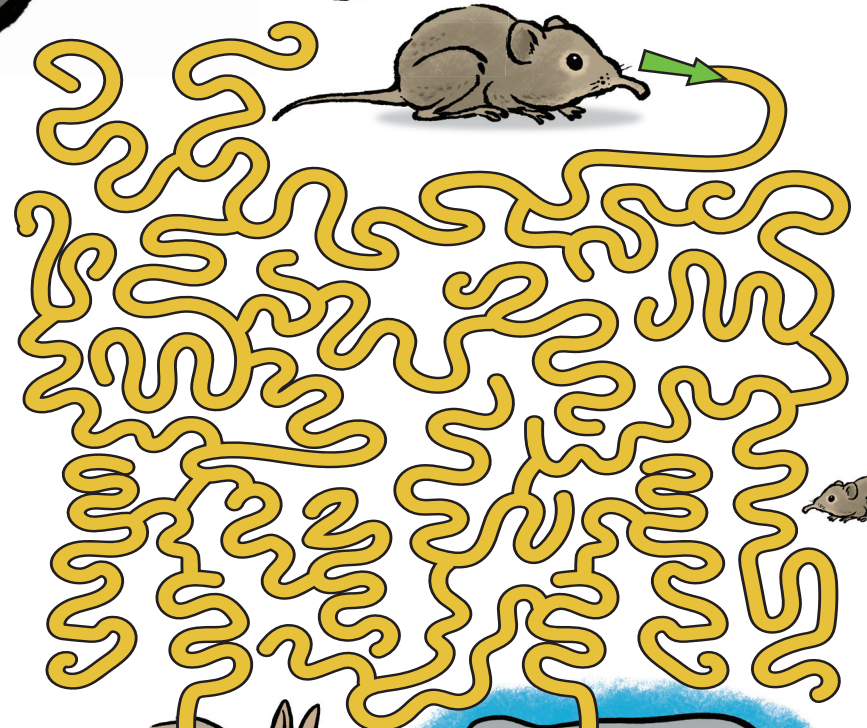
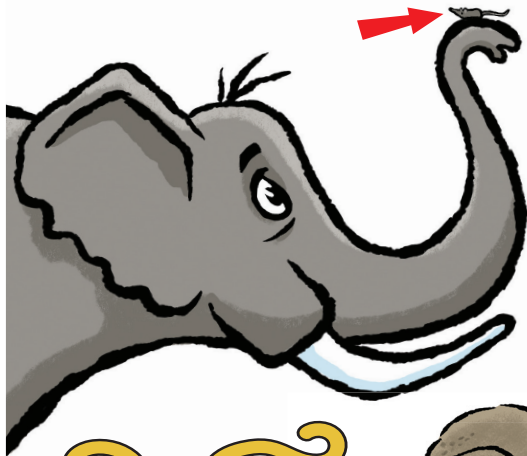
A Mouse with a Trunk?

There is an animal that looks like that. It's a **short-eared elephant shrew**, and it looks like a mouse with a trunk. But it's no mouse.

Elephants are one of the world's largest animals and elephant shrews are one of the world's smallest. But they **are** related!

An elephant shrew is **not** a member of the shrew family.

Follow the maze to see which of these animals is an elephant shrew relative.



How many elephant shrews can you find on this page?

Smallest of the Small

The short-eared elephant shrew weighs between 1 and 1.5 ounces (28 and 43 grams) and has a body length of about 4 inches (10 centimeters). Which of these things do you think weigh about 1 ounce?



six sheets of paper



AA battery



two crayons



ten pennies

Circle every other letter to see if you guessed correctly.

W E V A B C T H K O L F C T W H Z E F S A E R W
U E L I D G F H T S I O Y N C E Y O T U M N J C K E

E

Why is it called an elephant shrew?

Some say the elephant shrew's long nose, or snout, looks like the trunk of an elephant. Sometimes it is called a jumping shrew. Use the code to discover yet another name for this tiny animal.

⬮ = A

◐ = I

⬮ = E

⬮ = N

◐ = G

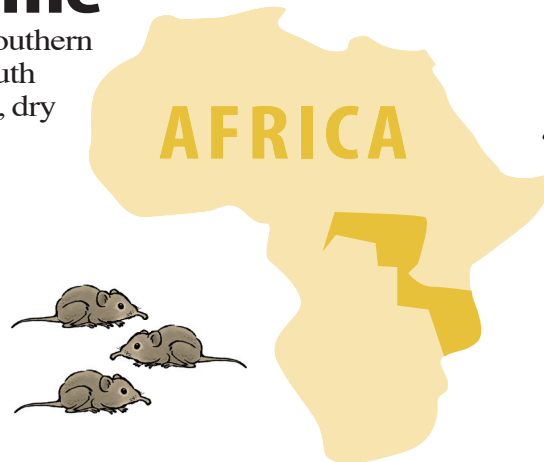
⬮ = S



Home Sweet Home

Short-eared elephant shrews live in southern Africa in Namibia, Botswana and South Africa. They like to live in sandy soil, dry grass and shrub land.

How many words can you make using the letters in ELEPHANT SHREW?



Lunch time!

Cut and paste these sentences in order to find out what these animals eat.

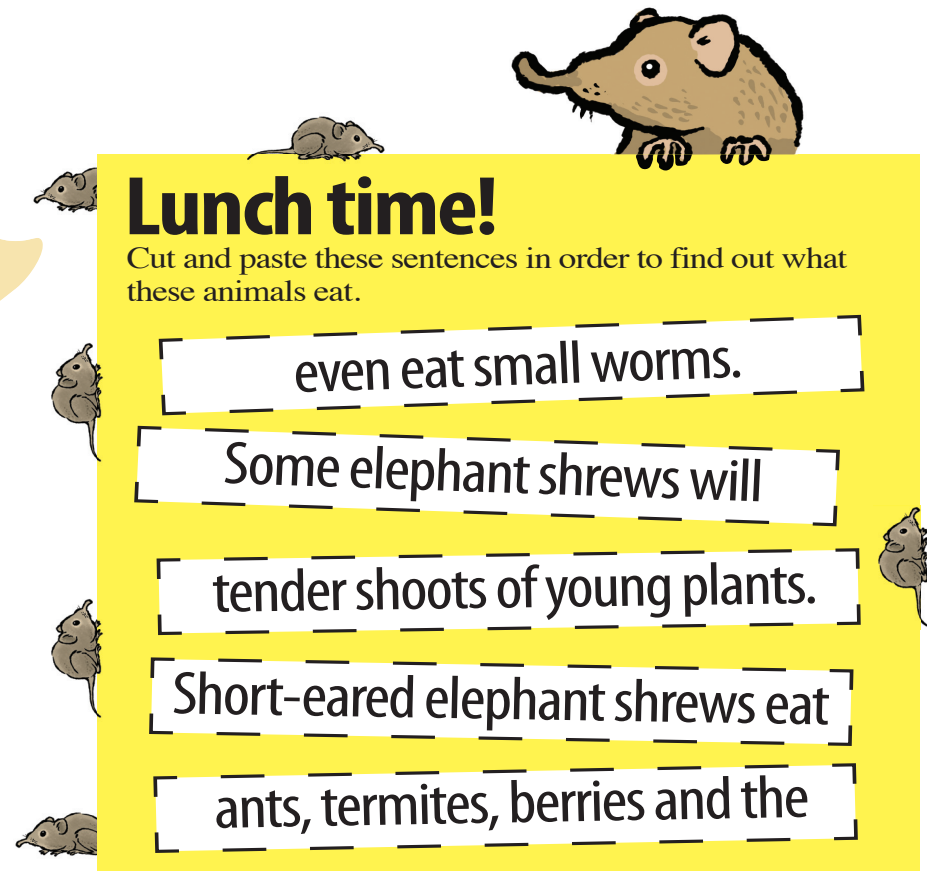
even eat small worms.

Some elephant shrews will

tender shoots of young plants.

Short-eared elephant shrews eat

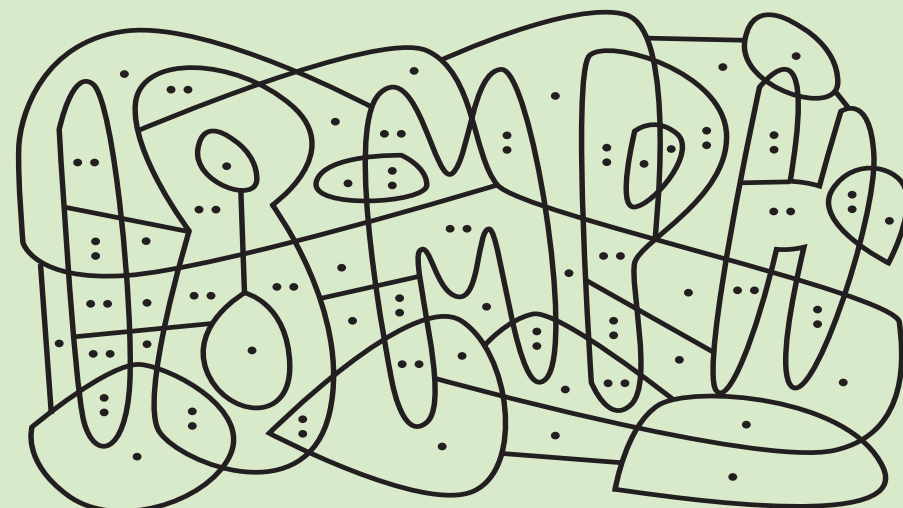
ants, termites, berries and the



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Small and Speedy

An elephant shrew is small but speedy. Color in the spaces with two dots red to find out how many miles per hour an elephant shrew can run!



Double Double Word Search

AFRICA
ANTS
CRITTER
ELEPHANT
LEGS
MOUSE
OUNCE
SHREW
SHRUB
SMALL
SNOUT
SOIL
SPEEDY
TERMITES
TRUNK

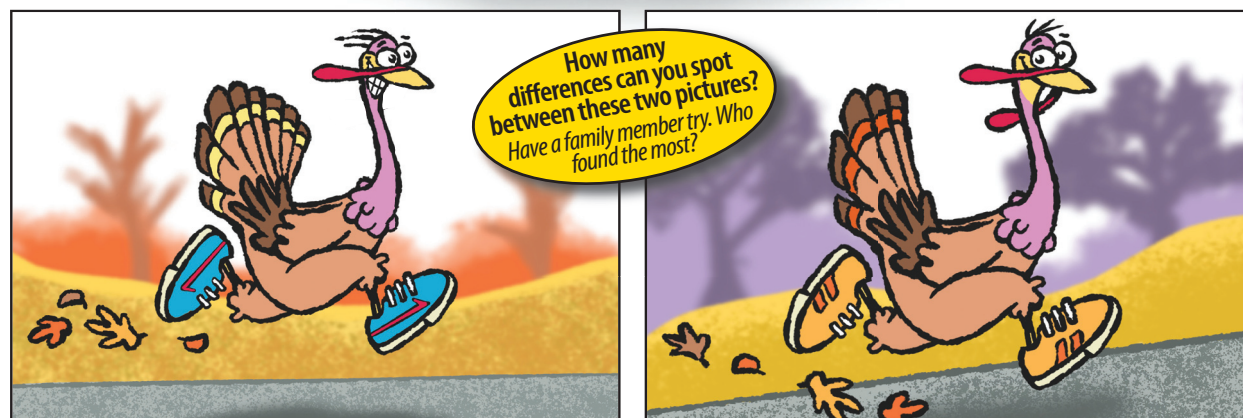
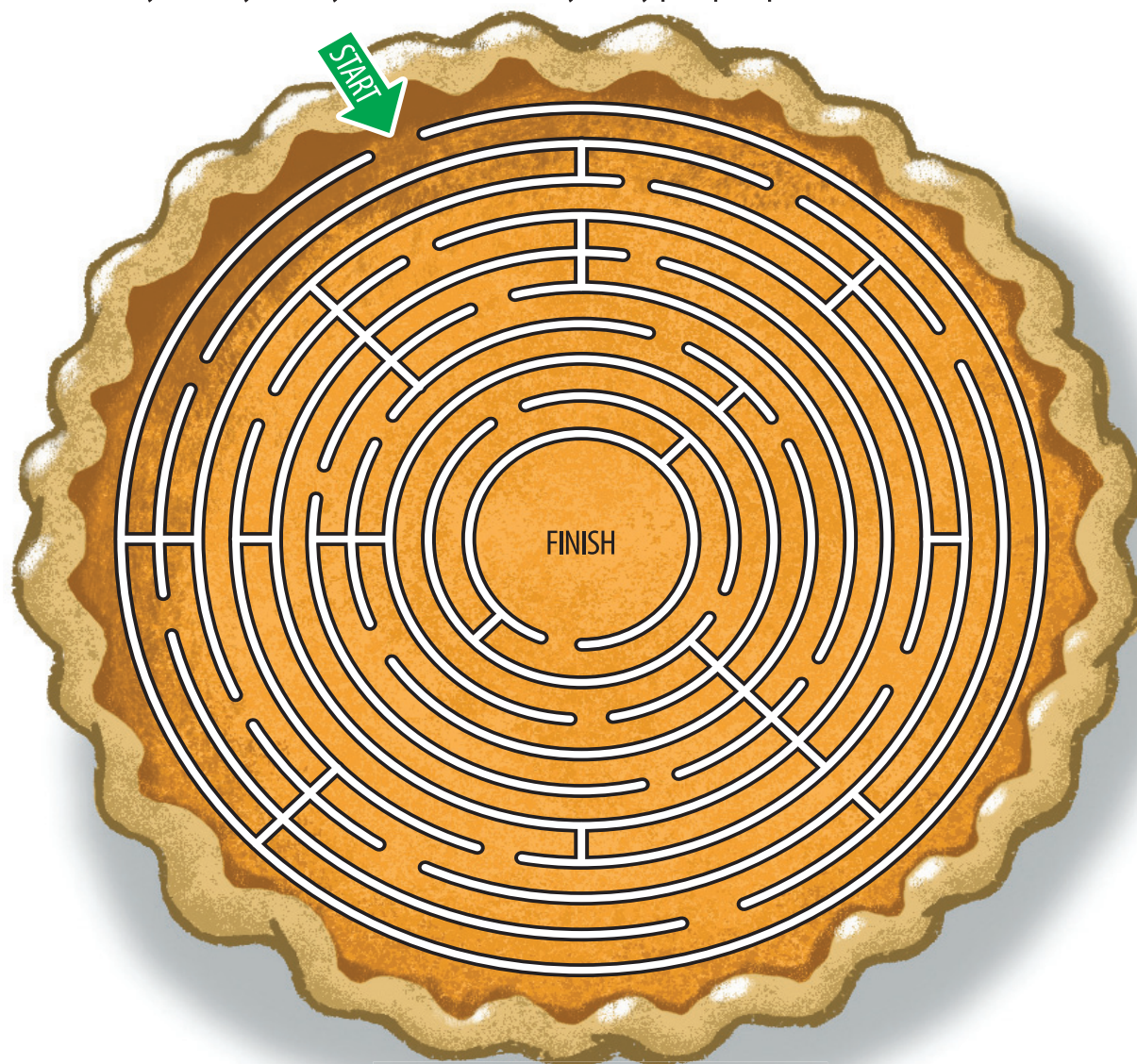
Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

B	K	S	S	O	I	L	X	E	V
R	E	H	P	A	A	N	T	S	O
E	T	V	B	E	F	O	Q	U	U
T	R	S	U	S	E	R	H	O	N
T	U	N	R	G	H	D	I	M	C
I	N	O	H	E	H	R	Y	C	E
R	K	U	S	L	M	B	E	K	A
C	M	T	L	L	A	M	S	W	F
X	M	E	L	E	P	H	A	N	T
A	T	E	R	M	I	T	E	S	I

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Pumpkin Pie Pathway

Can you find your way to the center of this yummy pumpkin pie in less than two minutes?



Which side of a turkey has the most feathers?

Fill in the missing letters in each row.
The answer will be revealed in the yellow column.

1.			R	
2.				E
3.	J			
4.		S		
5.			V	
6.				G
7.		H		
8.				T
9.		D		
10.		G		

CLUES

- These twinkle in the night sky.
- Ten minus seven equals _____.
- Often found with peanut butter on a sandwich.
- Beautiful red flowers with thorny stems.
- Another word for a bend in the road.
- Ouch! Sometimes bees do this.
- After paper is burned it becomes this.
- The opposite of day.
- When kids grow up, they become this.
- Another word for start.

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SORTING IT ALL OUT: Draw a line from each item to the correct bin where it belongs.

APPLE
CORE

GLASS
JAR

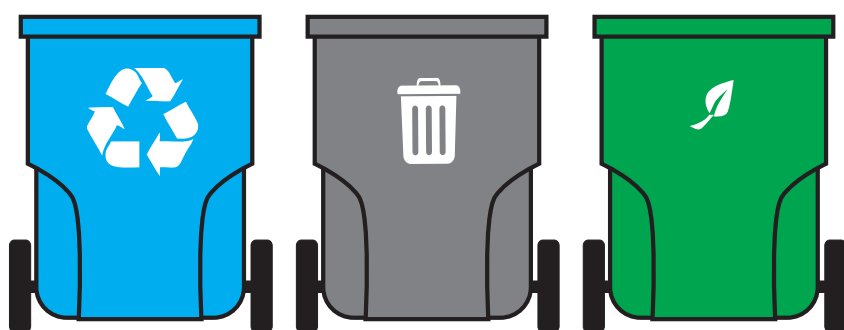
PLASTIC
BOTTLE

LEAVES

ALUMINUM
CAN

PIZZA
BOX

NEWSPAPER



Recycling Bin

Landfill Bin

Compost Bin

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What: On Track Reader is a free after-school tutoring program to help elementary school students in grades K-3 enhance their reading skills.

When: The tutoring sessions will be offered after school beginning in October 2023. A bus will be available at Ludington Elementary School to take the students to Book Mark after school on the days the program is offered. Parents/caregivers will be responsible to pick children up at a designated time. A detailed schedule will be provided to teachers, parents, students, and volunteers describing days and times for grade levels.

Who: The volunteer tutors consist of interested individuals (mostly retired teachers) who want to help children learn to be better readers. The students are K-3 students who wish to improve their reading skills.

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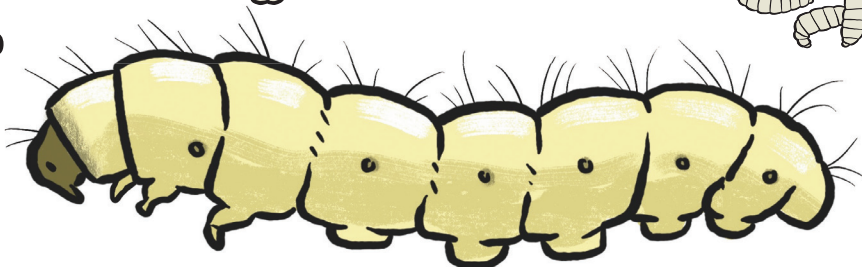
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PLASTIC-EATING WORMS

Worldwide, people are trying to figure out how to make and use less plastic, but wouldn't it be great if we could get rid of the plastic trash that is already here?



A Discovery in Spain

A Spanish biologist, Federica Bertocchini, was _____ bees. When she cleaned out her beehives, she made a remarkable discovery.

She found waxworms in the _____. That wasn't unusual because waxworms, which are the larvae of wax moths, like to eat the _____ and the wax. This can destroy a beehive but might be good for the _____.

When Bertocchini took out the waxworms from the beehives, she put them into a plastic _____. Later, when she checked the bag, she _____ the worms had eaten _____ in it.

Could these _____ plastic-eating worms help scientists _____ the world's growing plastic waste crisis?

Uh oh! Hungry waxworms have chewed through some of the words in this article. Can you replace the missing words?

LITTLE DISCOVERED
EARTH BAG
SOLVE HONEY
HOLES STUDYING
HIVES

Find the bee that's different!

How many waxworms can you find on this page?

Worms that eat plastic?

Plastic pollution is a big problem. Scientists believe there are more than 5 TRILLION pieces of plastic in the Earth's oceans alone.



How much is 5 trillion? One research study estimated that the 5.25 trillion pieces of plastic floating in our oceans would be enough to stretch to the moon and back twice.

How much does all this plastic weigh? Circle every other letter to discover the shocking answer!

THE COMBINED WEIGHT OF PLASTIC WASTE IN THE OCEAN IS GREATER THAN THAT OF:

ETBHCILRV TWYJESINGQHNTRT
FHGOAUTSZABNPD LACFGRHIL
CLADNLEVLWEC PAHUAINVTAS

T _ _ _ _ _ - _ _ _ _ _

_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

Hungry Little Helpers

Scientists have been feeding caterpillars called waxworms the kind of plastics used in shopping bags. They discovered that just 60 little worms can eat more than 30 square centimeters (1 square foot) in a week.

Scientists think that large numbers of these hungry worms could be put to work to eat plastic waste.

In just days, they could eat what would otherwise take hundreds of years to decompose (rot), helping solve Earth's big plastic pollution problem.

One Problem

There is a lot of interest in using lots of worms to eat the tons and tons of plastic waste in the world. But there is one problem slowing this down. Worm poop!

Unfortunately, when wax worms eat plastic, their poop becomes toxic or poisonous. Scientists are working hard to solve this problem. If you grow up to become a scientist, maybe you could solve it!



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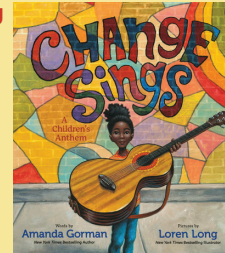
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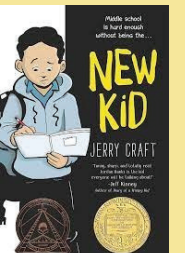


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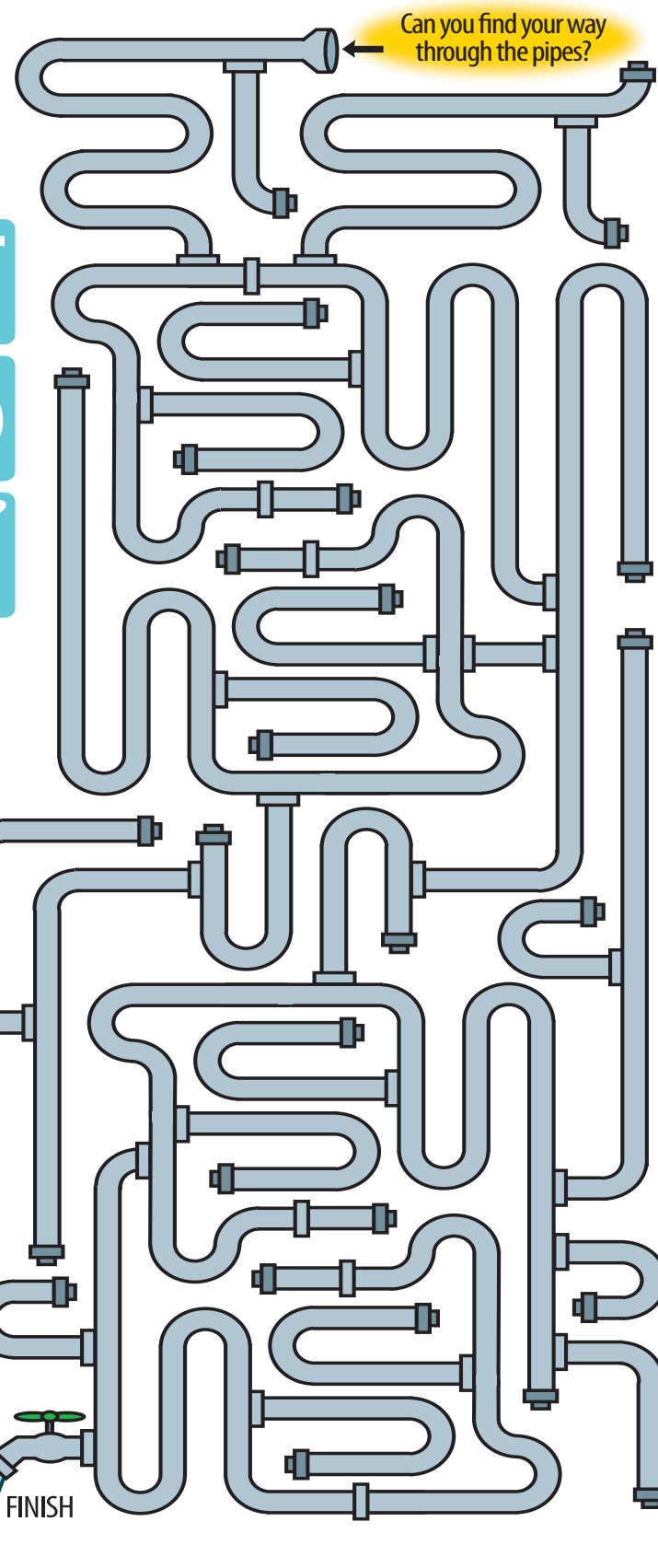
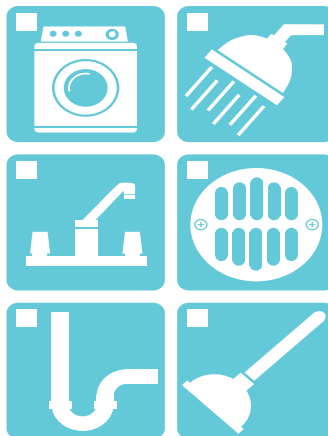
What do you want to be when you grow up? Have you ever thought about being a plumber?

Have you ever turned on a water faucet? Taken a bath in a tub in your house? Flushed a toilet? If so, it's thanks to the skill of a **plumber**!

Plumbers are the people who install and repair the pipes that are needed to bring water in and out of your home, school and other buildings.

You have probably seen pipes under a sink, behind a toilet or even at a school drinking fountain. These pipes carry water to and from sinks, tubs, toilets, washing machines, water heaters, dishwashers, drinking fountains and more within a building.

How many of these things can you find in your home? Go on a plumbing search with a parent!



How do I get to be a plumber?

Plumbers earn a special certificate in order to practice their **trade**. A plumber learns the trade and earns a certificate by becoming an **apprentice** to a master plumber.

The master plumber teaches the apprentice plumber skills needed for the job. After learning as an apprentice, plumbers must pass a special exam to become a **journeyman** plumber. A journeyman can work freely as a plumber.

Read the above and match each word to its definition.

1. JOURNEYMAN _____ 2. TRADE _____ 3. APPRENTICE _____

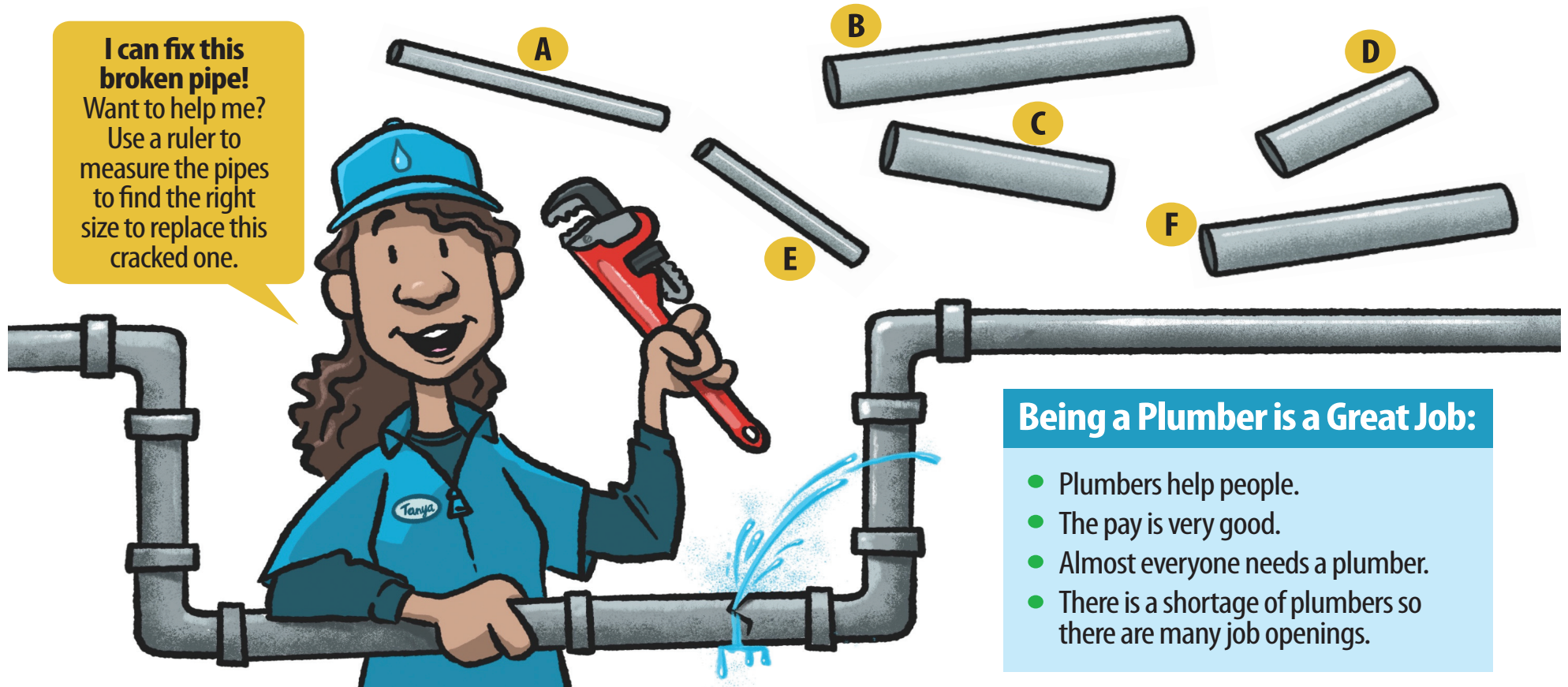
- A. A job that involves a particular skill. B. Someone who works for somebody else to learn that person's skill or trade. C. A worker who has learned a trade and passed an exam to prove their knowledge.

What vegetables do plumbers really like to fix for dinner?

ANSWER: Leeks.



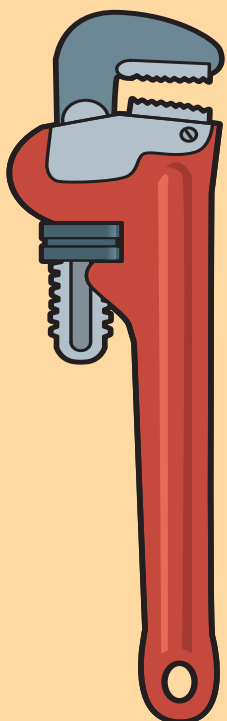
I can fix this broken pipe!
Want to help me?
Use a ruler to measure the pipes to find the right size to replace this cracked one.



Being a Plumber is a Great Job:

- Plumbers help people.
- The pay is very good.
- Almost everyone needs a plumber.
- There is a shortage of plumbers so there are many job openings.

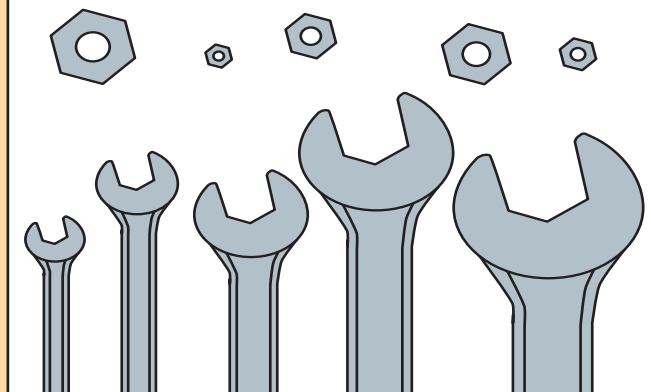
Kid Scoop Puzzler



TOOL BOX TRIVIA: WRENCHES

Wrenches help plumbers do their work. A wrench can fit around a nut, bolt, or pipe fitting making it easier to tighten and loosen them. Wrenches come in different sizes to fit different nuts and bolts.

Draw a line from each nut to the wrench it fits best.



Double Double Word Search

APPRENTICE
SHORTAGE
PLUMBER
WRENCH
TRADES
MASTER
FAUCET
PIPES
SINKS
WATER
BATH
EXAM
TUBS
BOLT
NUT

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

H	O	W	D	W	A	T	E	R	E
O	I	R	N	U	T	G	E	E	G
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

HARVEST OF THE MONTH

WINTER SQUASH



Did you know...

The hard skins of the winter squash cover a source of tasty, healthy food. A half cup of cooked squash provides vitamin A, C, B6 and iron!

Squash were originally cultivated for their seeds. Early varieties did not contain much flesh and were bitter.

Squash plants have many edible parts. You can eat the leaves, flowers, skin and seeds as well as the fruit (or squash) itself.

Squash Search and Unscramble

Find the names of different types of winter squash in this wordsearch puzzle. Then, use the list to help unscramble the names of each squash shown.

BANANA
PUMPKIN
HUBBARD
ACORN
BUTTERNUT
TURBAN
SPAGHETTI
KABOCHA
CALABAZA
DELICATA

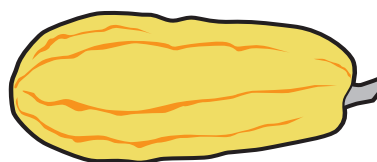
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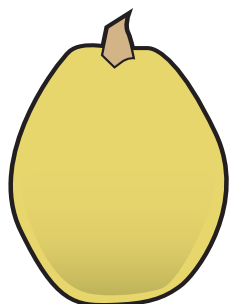
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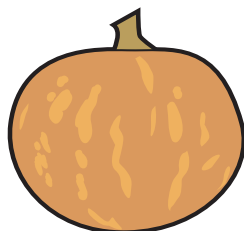
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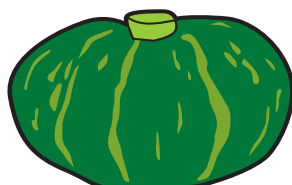
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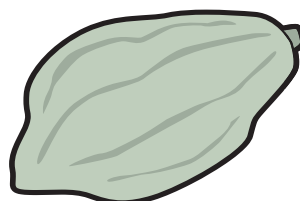
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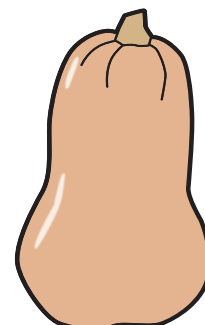
AABACZLA



AKBOAHC



BHURABD



TURBNETTU



NOCAR

A Slice of History

Squash were one of the “Three Sisters” planted by the Iroquois. The Iroquois myth describes three sisters that were inseparable. These plants—squash, maize (corn) and beans—were staples of nearly every Native American tribe.

Squash Surprise

According to **botanists** (those who study plants) a fruit is the part of the plant that develops from a flower.

It's also the section of the plant that contains the seeds.

The other parts of plants are considered vegetables. These include the stems,

leaves and roots. So

while most people you ask would probably consider squash a vegetable, botanists consider it a fruit.



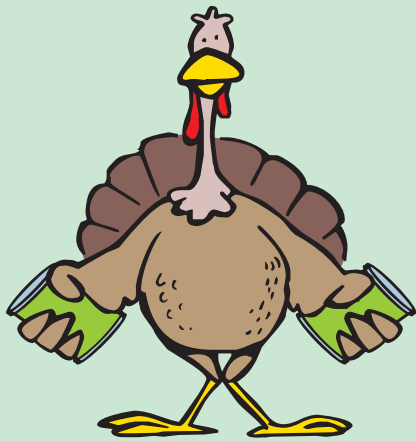
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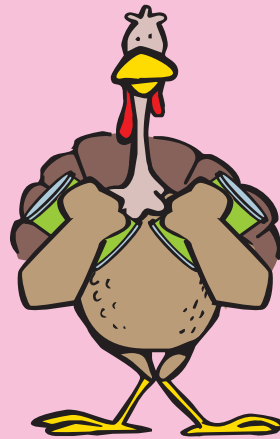
Kid Scoop News believes that being active, preventing childhood obesity and eating healthily are all objectives we want to promote. Our Fit & Fun page will help you do just that. Join in and enjoy getting fit and having fun!

Fine Feathered Fitness

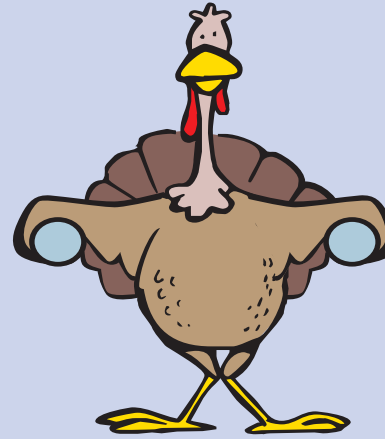
Stand with your feet apart. Hold a can of food in each hand as shown.



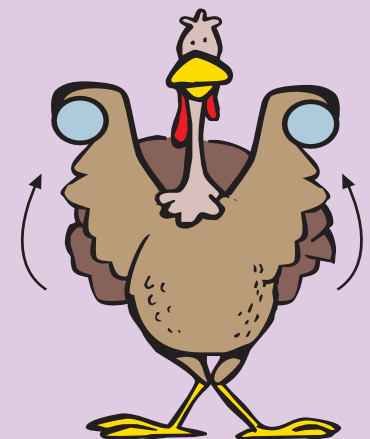
Bend your arms at the elbow, lifting the two cans 10 times up to your shoulders.



Hold a can of food in each hand with arms outstretched and palms down.



Slowly lift each arm straight up 10 times.

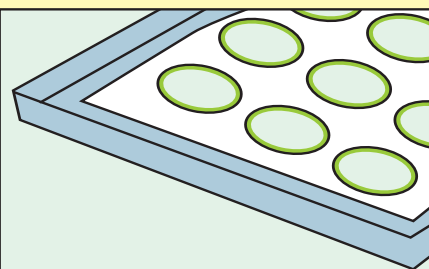


Standards Link: Physical Education: Use control in weight-bearing activities.

Homemade Refrigerator Pickles

Stuff you'll need:

- 3 cups white vinegar
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- salt for sprinkling
- 2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp mustard seeds
- 1/2 tsp celery seed
- 1/8 tsp ground turmeric
- 4 small cucumbers
- 1 1/2 cups dill fronds



Line a rimmed baking sheet with paper towels and lightly sprinkle with coarse salt. Slice 4 small cucumbers into thin slices. Arrange sliced cucumbers in a single layer on the prepared baking sheet, and sprinkle with salt.

Cover with another layer of paper towels. Let stand for 15 minutes, then pat dry.



In a medium saucepan, combine vinegar, sugar, salt, mustard seed, turmeric and celery seed. Bring to a boil, stirring to dissolve sugar and salt.

Arrange cucumber slices and fresh dill fronds in a jar. Pour hot brine into the jars to completely cover the cucumbers and seal the jar. Refrigerate.



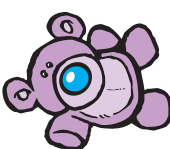
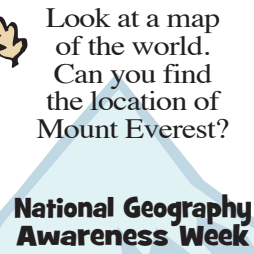
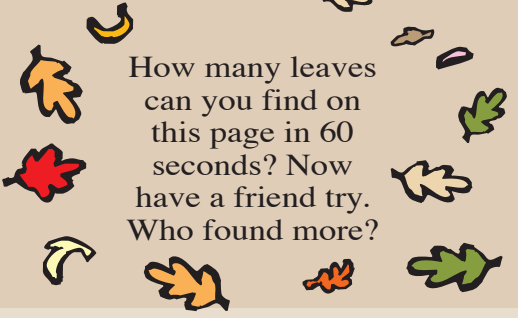
You can eat these in as soon as two hours or up to a week from now. The flavor will grow stronger if you let them marinate for a few days.

Recipe created by Michelle Stern, author of *The Whole Family Cookbook*.



ACTIVITY CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Tick the box on each day when you have completed 20 minutes of reading. Children who develop a love of reading will become better students and build a better future. ☒			1  ☐ Sit down with your dog or favorite stuffed animal and read him or her a story.	2 The sleepy giraffe for mayor ☐ Choose words from the headlines of today's newspaper and create a funny title for a book.	3 ☐ After the first student, the second student must come up with a word that starts with the last letter of the previous word. Friday Word Worm	4  ☐ Make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches today for your entire family. Peanut Butter Lovers Month
5 ☐ Did you remember to move your clock back by one hour? Daylight Savings Time Ends 	6 ☐ Enjoy a brisk walk or hike today. How many signs of the season can you spot along the way? 	7 ☐ Find an animal that you don't know much about. Look through books and the internet to find out all about this animal and share with the class.	8 ☐ The chrysanthemum is the November flower of the month. Draw one to decorate your classroom. 	9 ☐ The Library of Congress has a site dedicated to Native American Heritage Month with exhibits and links. Check it out at nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov	10 ☐ Use this day to write to a friend or relative that you have not seen in a while.  Forget-me-not Day	11 ☐ At 11:11 a.m. pause for a moment of silence to honor the service men and women who risk their lives in service of our country. ★ Veterans Day ★
12 ☐ Collect toys that you and your friends have outgrown and donate them to a homeless shelter. 	13 ☐ Do something or say something kind to a friend or neighbor today.  World Kindness Day	14 ☐ Take up the National Young Readers Week challenge and read your heart out all day long.	15 ☐ Check on which items you are allowed to recycle and participate in your community.  America Recycles Day	16  ☐ Have a family story night. Turn off the TV and ask your mom or dad to tell you a story about their childhood.	17 ☐ Look at a map of the world. Can you find the location of Mount Everest?  National Geography Awareness Week	18 ☐ Clean out your backpack. Get rid of old pens that don't work and make sure everything is organized and ready to go.
19 ☐ FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT Pop some popcorn and enjoy a movie at home. 	20 ☐ On this day, Mexico celebrates the anniversary of the revolution. Viva Mexico!	21 ☐ Hello! To promote world peace, say "Hello" to at least ten people today. World Hello Day	22 ☐ Make a list of all the things you are thankful for to share with family and friends on Thanksgiving.	23 ☐ Watch the parade on TV, feast on turkey and tell everyone in your family how much you appreciate them. Thanksgiving	24 ☐ Today is the biggest shopping day of the year. Look in the paper for bargains; compare prices at different stores. Black Friday	25  ☐ Make a <i>Book of Thanks</i>. Include entries for all the people and things you are thankful for. 
26  ☐ Which Charlie Brown character are you most like? Explain why. 	27 ☐ Which design makes the best paper airplane. Have a contest today to see whose paper airplane goes the furthest. Aviation Month	28 ☐ The Christmas season will soon be here. Visit toysfortots.org to see how you can help a child in need. 	29 ☐ On this day in 1922, King Tut's tomb was first opened. Write a short paragraph describing the scene as if you were there.	30 ☐ Write a list of predictions of what you think might happen to you in the month of December. 	How many leaves can you find on this page in 60 seconds? Now have a friend try. Who found more? 	



Scottville Bingo Night □ Tuesday, November 14 & December 12, 6-7pm

Drop in and play a round of Bingo with us! Miss Ingrid leads the action as we have some family fun, complete with prizes for the winners! All MCDL Programs are FREE. Children under 8 must be supervised.



STEM Science, Technology,
Engineering, Mathematics

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays and Thursdays 10am in
Ludington

Fridays 10am in Scottville

Join us for a STEM-based Story time the first
week of each month

TEEN EVENTS □ 3:30pm in Ludington

Anime Club November 2, 16, & 30, December 7 & 21

Teen Drop-in November 9 & December 14

Game-On December 28 - NOT November 23 (Thanksgiving!)

YA Movie Night November 29 & December 27 at 6pm

Every Friday in December - Christmas movies will be showing!

Lego Time!

Saturdays, 10am-2:30pm

Come and build with your friends!
Thousands of Legos to choose
from.



1-2-3 RHYME WITH ME!

Every Monday
at 10am

Children 0-3
and their
caregiver are

invited to come learn early literacy skills
with songs, rhymes, and fun.

TEEN EVENTS - SCOTTVILLE

Join in a new Teen Book Club, held every second Monday of the
month, from 6-7pm. Bring your friends and talk about books with us!



Creative Kids meets every Tuesday & Thursday in
Scottville, from 4-5:30pm. Come have a snack and
get creative with us!

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