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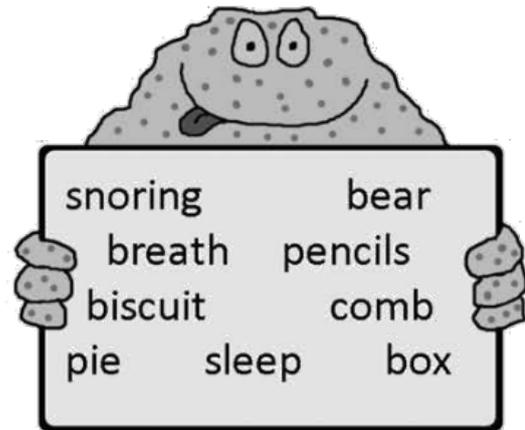
Year Two English

Home Learning

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as to which page(s) you will be
required to complete

THE GREEN BLOBBY MONSTER

Here is a story with missing words. All of the words are being held up by the Green Blobby Monster. See if you can put the right words in the right places.

**The Green Blobby Monster**

Zuzu has lost something. It isn't her favourite, snuggly blanket. It isn't her cuddly teddy _____. And it isn't the _____ she uses to do her squiggly hair. She's lost her Green Blobby Monster.

It's time for bed. But Zuzu can't _____. She won't be happy until she's found her Green Blobby Monster.

She looks inside her toy _____. He's not hiding among the cuddly elephants and giraffes.

Zuzu peers under the sofa. There's nothing there but a tiny wind-up robot, a chocolate _____, a book full of blobby things to colour in and some colouring _____.

She opens the fridge and peers inside. There's orange juice and a cheese sandwich, but no Green Blobby Monster. The apple _____ has been eaten.

She runs all over the house until she's out of _____. Now it's bed time. She looks under her bed. There is the Green Blobby Monster, fast asleep and making a _____ noise.

It goes: "Zu...zu...zu...zu...zu..."

A FABLE: THE MAN, THE BOY AND THE DONKEY

Read this fable (a story containing a lesson), then answer the questions.

The Man, the Boy, and the Donkey

A man and his son were taking their donkey to market. As they walked along by its side, a countryman passed and said, "You fools, what is a donkey for but to ride upon?"

So the man put the boy on the donkey, and they went on their way.

Soon, they passed a group of men. One said, "See that lazy boy. He lets his father walk while he rides."



The man took his son off and climbed on himself. They hadn't gone far when they passed two women. One said to the other, "Shame on that lazy lout to let his poor son trudge along."

The man didn't know what to do, so he pulled his son up beside him on the donkey. When they reached the town, the people laughed and pointed at them. The man asked what they were laughing at.

The people said, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself for overloading that poor donkey of yours – you and your son?"

So they both got off and wondered what to do. They cut down a pole and tied the donkey's feet to it. Then they raised the pole and the donkey to their shoulders. They staggered along until they came to a bridge. The donkey, getting one of its feet loose, kicked out and caused the boy to drop his end of the pole. In the struggle the donkey fell over the bridge, and was drowned.

The old man and his son, feeling sad, made their way home, thinking: "When we try to please everybody, we please nobody."

Now check the fable again for the answers to these questions.

1 Who called the man and his son fools?

2 Who was the first one to sit on the donkey?

3 What word did the group of men use to describe the boy?

4 Who did the man and his son see after the group of men?

5 Where were they when people laughed and pointed at them?

6 What word tells you the man and his son found it hard to carry the donkey?

7 What happened to the donkey at the end?

8 What lesson did the man and his son learn?



THE EGG AND SPOON RACE – The Start

The teacher is trying to line up everybody for the egg and spoon race. But he's having trouble. Look at the order in which things happen.

The teacher, Mr Jackson, was about to blow his whistle to start the race. Then he saw that Eric had a real egg instead of a potato. Luckily, Mr Jackson had an extra potato handy and gave it to Eric. Everybody held up their spoons, ready to go. Then Bartek asked if he could go to the toilet. Mr Jackson nodded and looked at his watch. When Bartek returned, Samira asked if she could go as well. Mr Jackson sighed. Once everyone was lined up again, Mina dropped her potato. They all waited until she had picked it up. At last, Mr Jackson blew his whistle.



- 1 When Mr Jackson saw that Eric had an egg, what did he do?

- 2 Once Eric was ready, what did everyone do?

- 3 What did Mr Jackson do when Bartek asked to go to the toilet?

- 4 What happened after Bartek came back?

- 5 What happened just before Mr Jackson blew his whistle?



HOW IS ZOE TODAY?

You can often tell how people are feeling by the way they behave. How do you think this person feels?

Tick one box.



Zoe opened the door and blushed when she saw that the room was full of people she didn't know.

shy

angry

happy

When Zoe saw the present at the foot of her bed, she jumped up and down.

sorry

sad

excited

Zoe didn't get on with Harriet. So when Harriet asked her to play, her mouth fell open.

cross

surprised

upset

When Zoe couldn't do her homework, she stamped her foot and snapped her pencil.

sad

angry

happy

L. S. LOWRY

Read this information about the British painter, Laurence Stephen Lowry. To answer the questions that follow, you'll have to use the clues in the text.

Artist – L. S. Lowry

Laurence was born in 1887. As a child, he did not have many friends. His mother had dreamt of becoming a famous pianist, but her health was bad after he was born.



As a young boy, he lived on the edge of Manchester surrounded by trees. This became too expensive. The family had to move house. Then Laurence had to get used to seeing the smoke from factory chimneys rather than trees. Later, this was to become part of his art.

After leaving school, he studied art. He was interested in painting the landscape of factories, football crowds and working people that surrounded him. He is often described as painting 'matchstick men'.

His mother, who was ill for some time, died in 1939, before she could see how successful he had become.

He died in 1976. By then, he had done over 1000 paintings and 8000 drawings. Thirty-five years later, in 2011, one of his paintings sold for five million pounds.



1 Do you think Laurence had a happy childhood?



2 Why do you think that?

3 What words tell you that Laurence's mother was longing to be a great pianist?

4 How do you know the family was not rich?

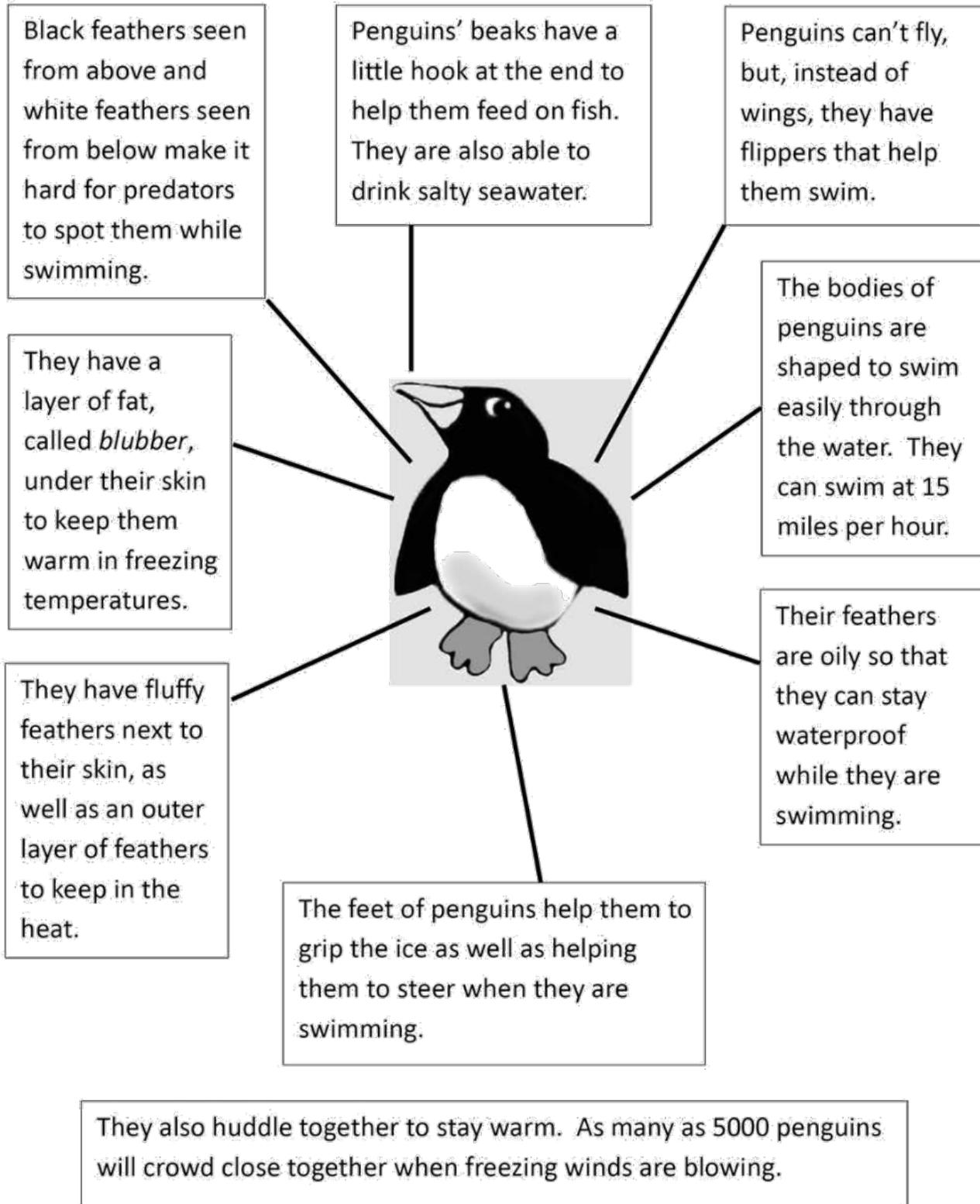
5 How did Laurence make use of the factories he saw around him?

6 Laurence's mother never saw what a famous artist he became. Why was that?

7 How do we know he spent a lot of time painting?

THE PENGUIN

Here is a page out of an information book about penguins. See how the picture of the penguin has labels to help you read the facts.



1 How fast can a penguin swim?



2 Penguins are fast swimmers. Write down **two** things that help them.

3 How is being black and white good for the penguin?

4 What do penguins drink?

5 Which part of the penguin's body helps it to steer while it is swimming?

6 Write down **three** things that help a penguin stay warm.

PICTURE THIS

Look at this picture. Below, parts of the picture are compared to other things. Tick the sentence that you think is right, then say **why** you chose that one.



- 1** Does the moon look like a... **smile**
 or a... **balloon?**

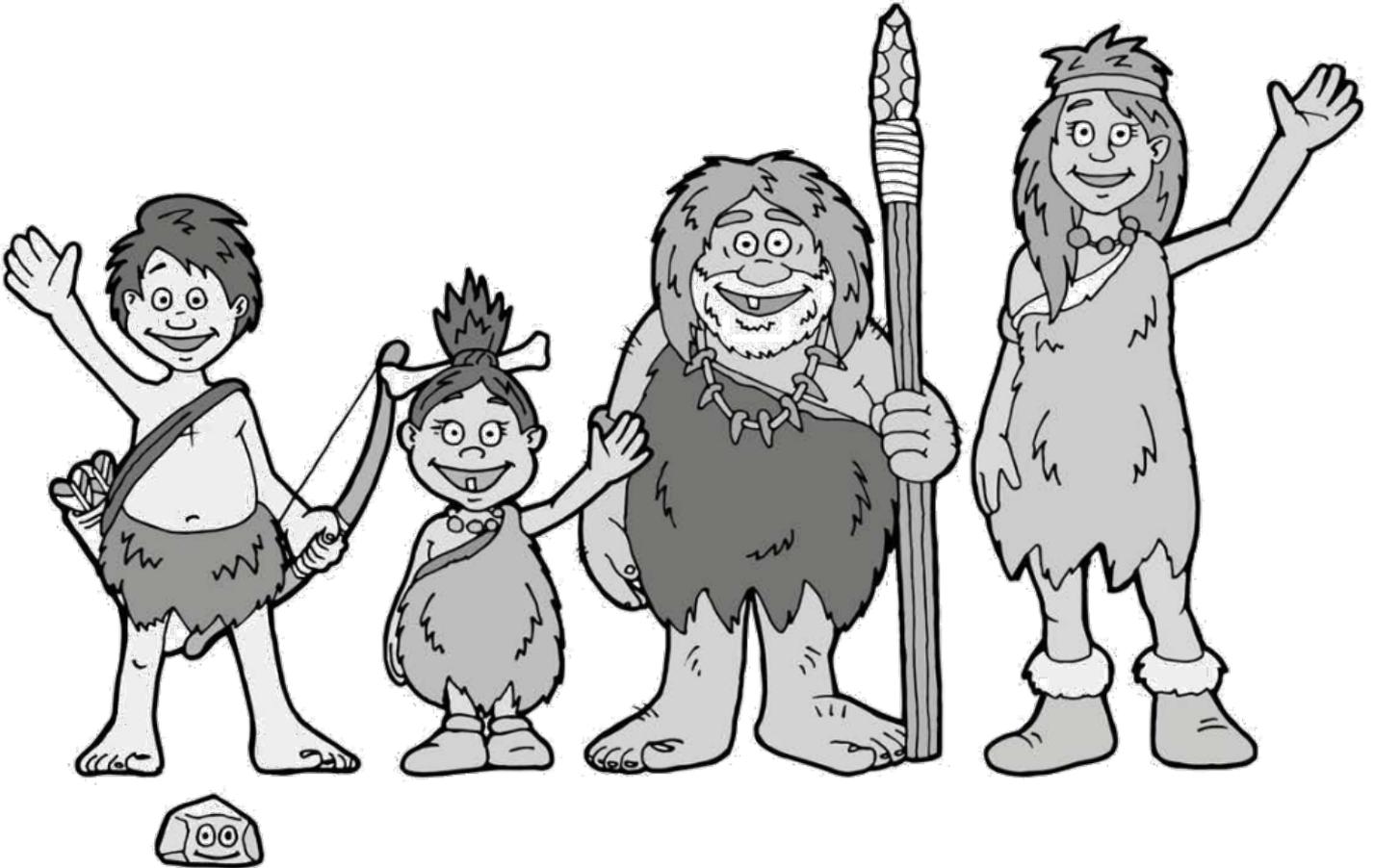
Why did you tick that one?

- 2** Do the fireworks look like a... **fountain**
 or... **flowers?**

Why did you tick that one?

- 3** Do the bats look like... **black hats**
 or... **black umbrellas?**

Why did you tick that one?

1. Meet the Firestones

This is Axel.

This is his baby sister, Tuft.

This is his dad, Ash.

This is his mum, Flame.

Meet the Firestone family.

Using full stops and capital letters

Write out the sentences below using capital letters and full stops. (Remember: names need capital letters.)

1 axel firestone is a caveboy

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2 axel has a baby sister called tuft

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3 his mum and dad are called flame and ash

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4 they all live together in a cave

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Look at the picture and write a sentence of your own.

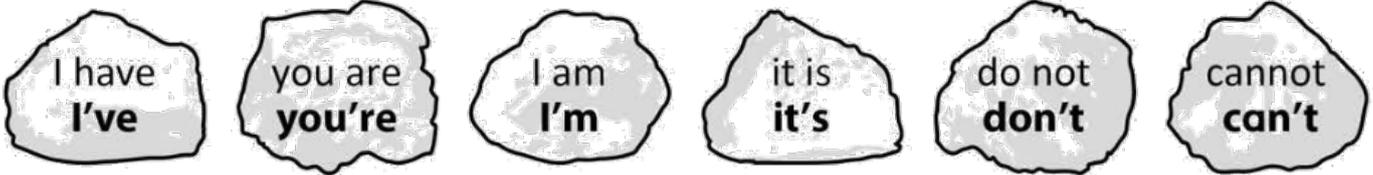
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Write more sentences about the Firestone family.

Using an apostrophe for contraction

Use the contractions in the rocks to complete the sentences.



Dusk told Axel what she was going to do.

- 1 (It is) too far to walk back with these heavy baskets.
- 2 (I have) got a plan.
- 3 (I am) going back to get help.
- 4 We (cannot) both go back.
- 5 So (you are) going to stay here.
- 6 (Do not) move from this spot.

Dusk left Axel to guard the baskets of fruit and vegetables.



Write the contractions in the story in full.

2. Meet the Moonlights



This is Dusk Moonlight.

She lives with her mum and dad.

Her mum is called Luna Moonlight and her dad is called Sol Moonlight.

They live next to the Firestones.

They live at 2, Cave Street, Blackrock, Dinoland.

Using capital letters for names of people and places

Write out the sentences below using capital letters for names. All the nouns that need capital letters have been written in bold to help you. (Don't forget the full stops!)

1 dusk moonlight lives at 2, cave street

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2 her friend, axel firestone, lives next door

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3 axel lives at 1, cave street

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4 they live in the town of blackrock

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5 they live in the country of dinoland

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Write Axel's address on the envelope.

Name:

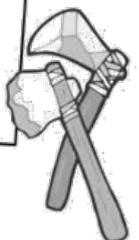
Street:

Town:

Country:



Write your name and address.



Writing commands

To write **commands** you need to put the **verb** (the doing or action word) at the beginning of the sentence.

Write the sentences as commands. The first one has been started for you.

- 1 You will stop shouting, Axel. Stop
- 2 You will be brave.
- 3 You will jump on Seff's back.

Axel jumped on the dinosaur's back. The sabre-tooth tiger growled at them. Dusk pointed her spear at the tiger.

- 4 You will get away from us.
- 5 You will gallop off, Seff.
- 6 You will hold on tight, Axel.

Seff galloped off and soon they were safely back home. Dusk had saved him.



Write some more commands that Dusk might say.

3. Hungry Axel



Axel was hungry. There was nothing to eat.

Dad hadn't gone hunting for over a week.

Dad was too busy making a new firestone.

Axel took his bow and arrow off the wall.

"If Dad won't go hunting, I'll go on my own," said Axel.

Outside the cave he met Dusk, the girl from the cave next door.

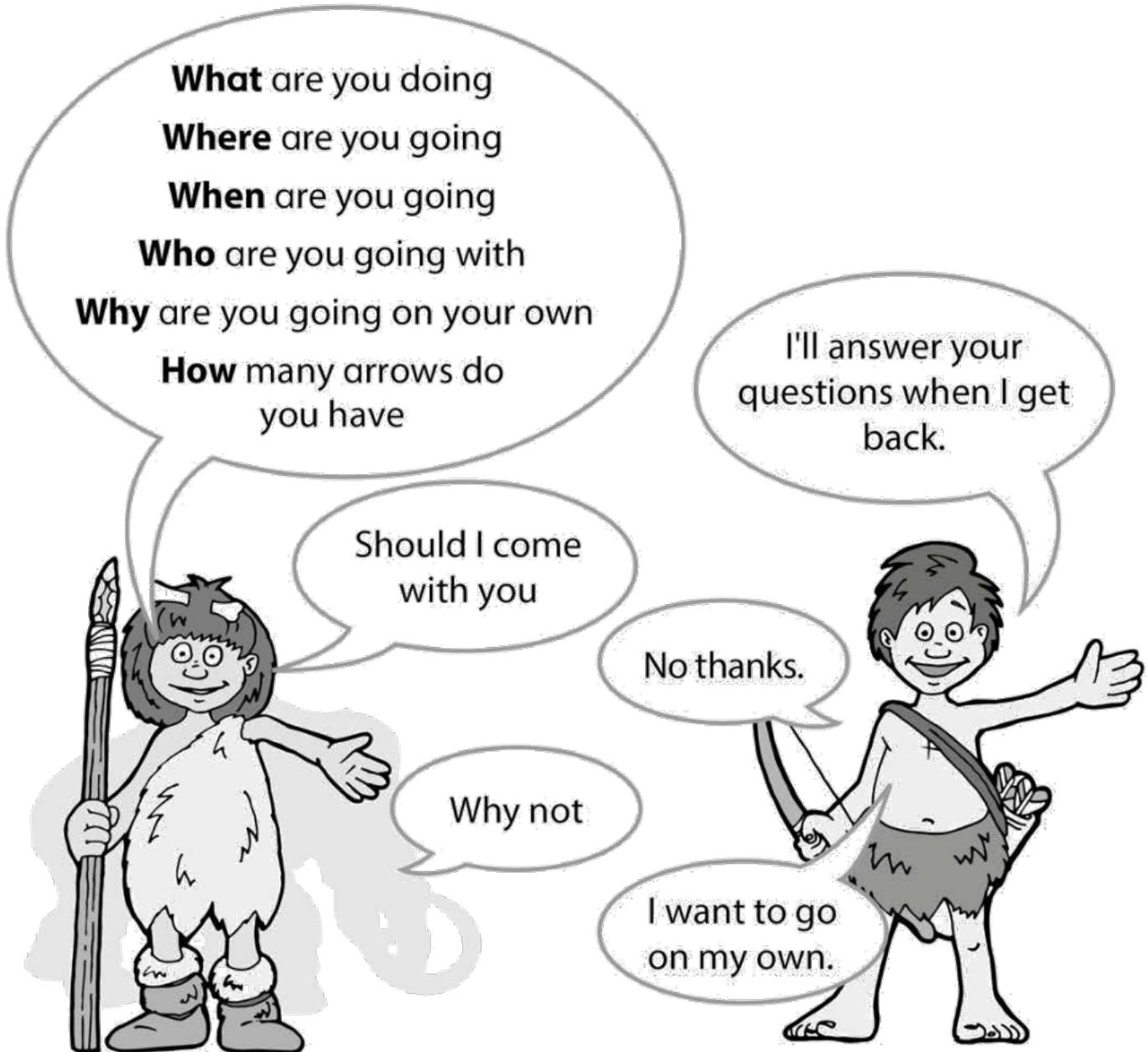
"Where are you going?" asked Dusk.

"Hunting," said Axel.

"Should I come with you?" asked Dusk.

Using question marks with questions

Put question marks at the end of the questions.



What are the six question words that Dusk uses?

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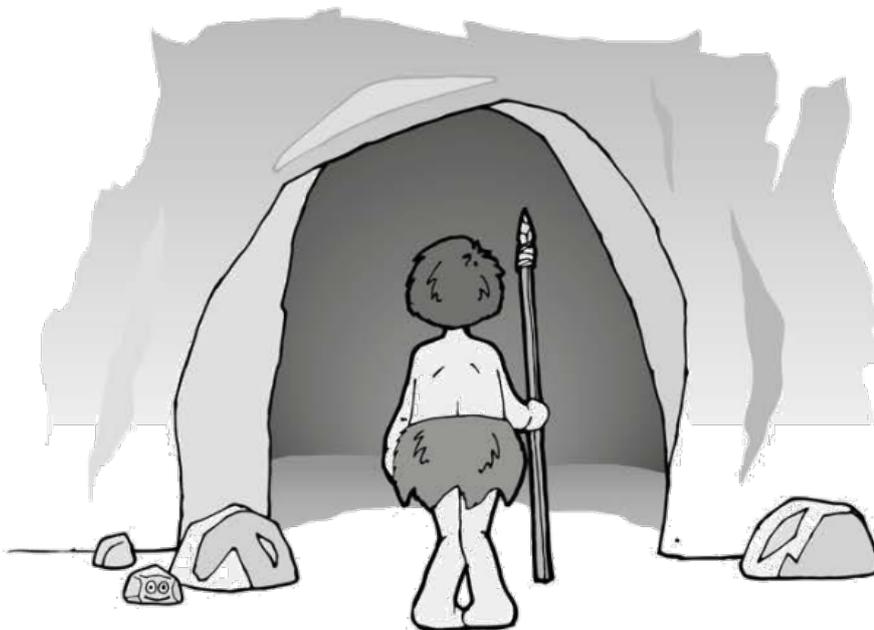
Write some questions you would want to ask Axel.

Using the prefix 'un'

Use the words in the box to complete the sentences below. Remember to add the prefix 'un' to change the meaning.

wise safe friendly sure lucky healthy

- 1 Axel was what to do.
- 2 Was it to go in the cave?
- 3 He knew it was to stay in the rain.
- 4 But was the cave an place to shelter?
- 5 Were there any creatures in the cave?
- 6 Was he going to be lucky or



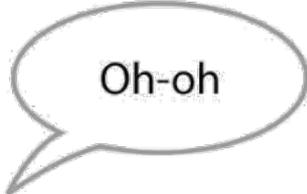
Find the words with the prefix 'un' in the story and write your own sentences using them.

Using exclamation marks

Put exclamation marks after the words Axel speaks.



Axel hears a roar.



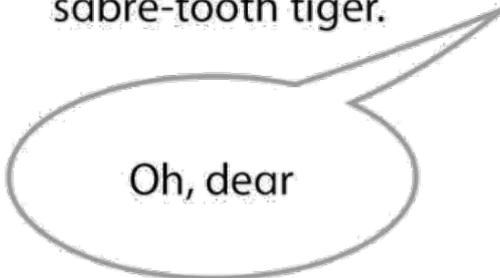
Axel hears a rustle in the leaves.



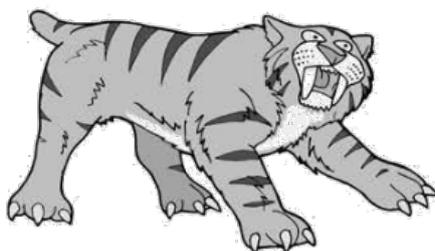
Axel runs away.



Axel sees a sabre-tooth tiger.



The sabre-tooth tiger runs after Axel.



Axel climbs up a tree.

Write some exclamations of your own that Axel might say.

Put the words in sets.

giraffe ace huge jewel centre nice
fudge rage charge edge jingle city
budge circle pace magic join engine

I'm collecting **ge** words.



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I'm collecting **dge** words.



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I'm collecting **gi** words.



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I'm collecting **j** words.



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I'm collecting **c** words.



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I'm collecting **ce** words.



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Complete the sentences using the words below.

change pence cage once jog angel

That will cost twenty please.



I'm an in the Christmas nativity.



..... upon a time.

The mice are in their



Do you have any

I'm going for a around the playground.



The children say the words backwards.
Write the words the correct way around.

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t i n k



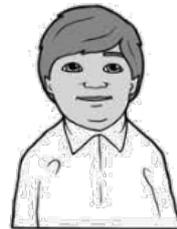
e l b a f



e l d d u m



p a r w



e t i r w



w a n g



e m o n g



l a t e m



l a t o t



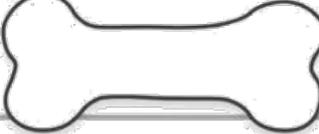
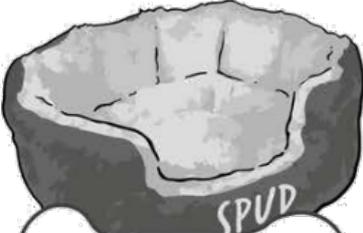
Spud, the dog, has hidden his bones in different places.
Can you remember where he put them?

Look at the picture.

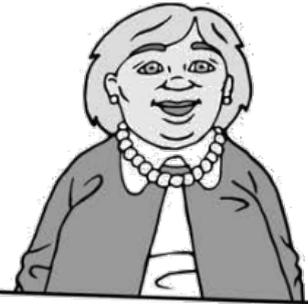
 knob	 uncle	 gnome
 wrap	 knack	 camel

camel gnome knob wrap knack uncle

Cover it up. Write the words in the correct bone below.

The children have all done a spelling test.
They have each made one mistake.
Can you spot the mistake and correct it?



Name **Bean**

knock
nash
write
table
metal
travel

Name **Petal**

knew
gnat
wrapper
puzzle
animal
camle

Name **Buddy**

knee
gnome
wrist
muddle
total
labal

Name **Blossom**

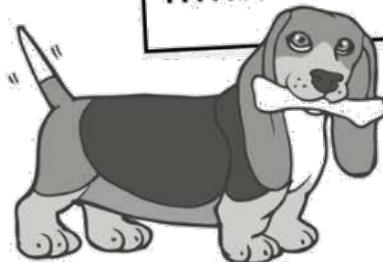
knight
gnaw
rote
bottle
animal
tunnel

Name **Sprout**

knot
gnash
wrap
middel
capital
label

Name **Twiggy**

knob
gnat
wrist
simple
musicle
camel



Put the words in sets.

pupil dries parties hurried reply hurry
marrying great carried gerbil copying every
berries even replying stencil worried shy

I'm collecting **il** words.



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I'm collecting **y** words.



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I'm collecting **ies** words.



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I'm collecting **ied** words.



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I'm collecting **ing** words.



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I'm collecting **common exception** words.



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The letters are muddled up. Put them in the right order to spell words.



ed words

depprod [] [] nedring [] []



ing words

gegginb [] [] [] ginghug [] [] []



all words

lastl [] [] [] slalm [] [] []



alk words

halck [] [] [] kalts [] [] []



o words

thomn [] thonnig []



common exception words

sargs rafeth

Complete the words below.

Add **ey**s to complete these words.



monk.....

donk.....

chimn.....

Add an **a** to complete these words.



w.....nt

w.....nd

w.....tch

Add an **s** to complete these words.



u.....e

u.....ual

televi.....ion

Add **tion** to complete these words.



fic.....

addi.....

subtract.....

Add **or** to complete these words.



w.....d

w.....k

w.....st

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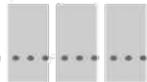


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qua words

shuaqs



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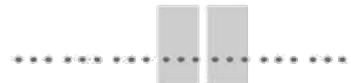


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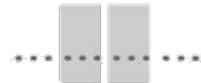


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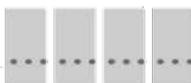


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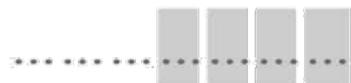


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