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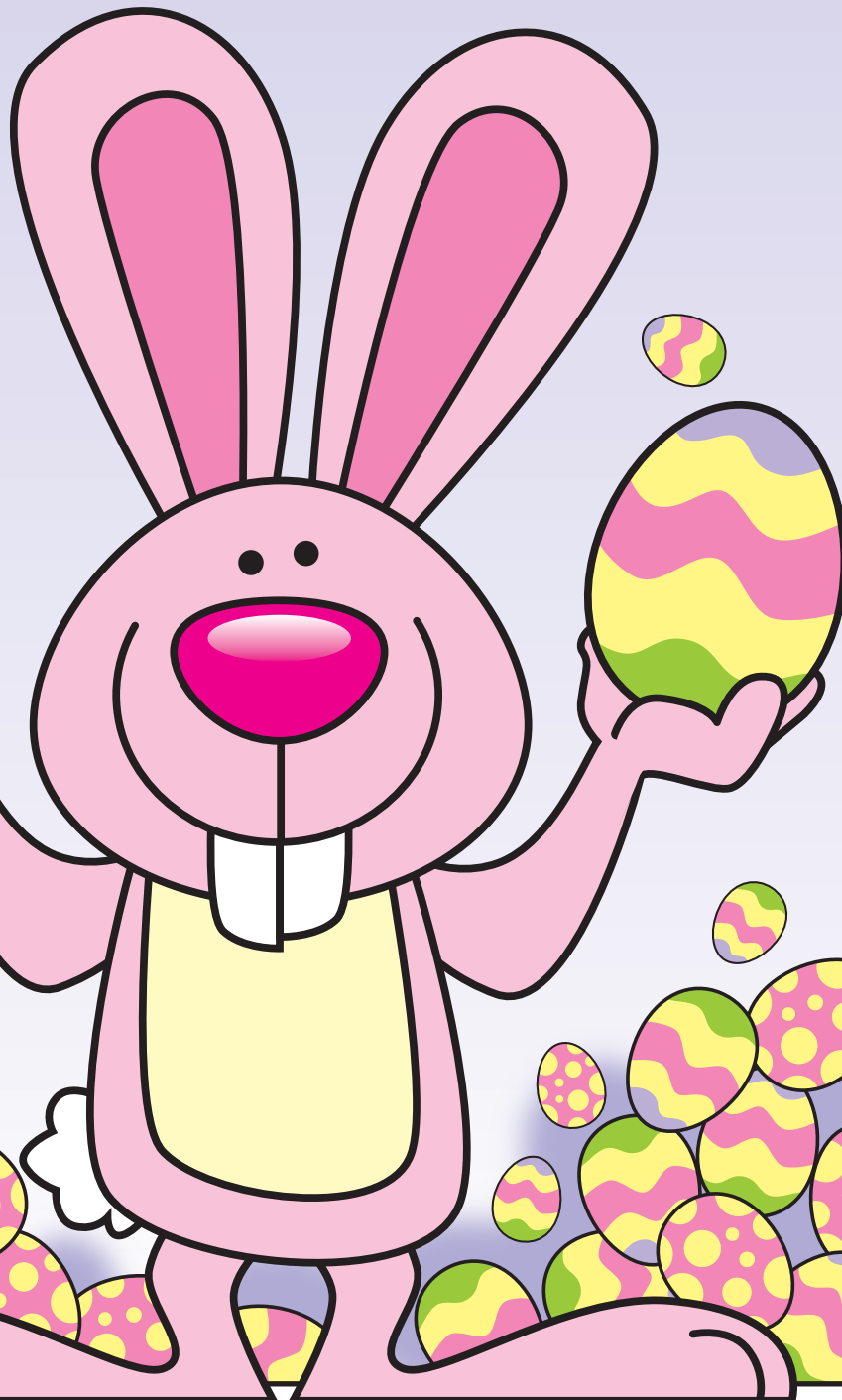
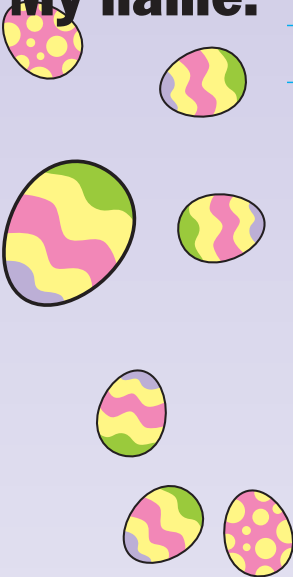
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# CONNECT 123

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My name: \_\_\_\_\_



How many eggs  
can you find on this page?  
Which design appears  
more than the other?



## FROM THE DESK OF WOODWARD

Dear readers,

Have you noticed the days getting longer? Are they getting warmer as well? What signs of spring do you see around you? Fresh green leaves on the trees? Flowers? What are the signs of spring where you live?

This month **CONNECT123** introduces you to some adorable baby animals and one very large animal that lives in Florida. Can you find the name of this gentle giant in this issue?

A: \_\_\_\_\_

With flowers and blossoms blooming in the spring, pollen also abounds. For some people this causes itching, sneezing and sniffing known as allergies.

**CONNECT123** gets the scoop on allergies this month as well.

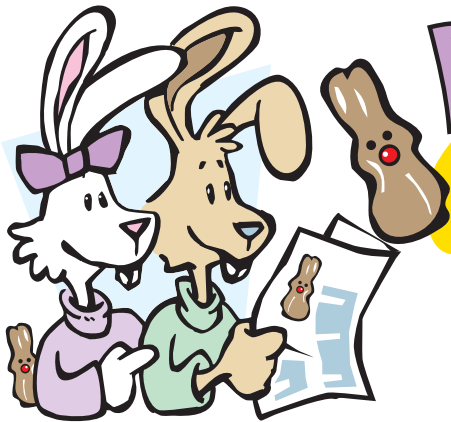
April is also the month we celebrate the beauty of planet Earth and study ways to protect her. There is an article in this issue of **CONNECT123** about the person whose birthday was selected as the day to celebrate our planet. Can you find that?

A: \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

*Woodward*





# The Bunny Buddies are Back!

Buzz and Beeper Bunny are back with all kinds of Easter fun!

If the activities on this page seem hard, find some bunny to help you. If it looks easy, help some bunny younger than you!

**NATIONAL EGG-QUIRER**

NEWS FROM THE HENHOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE!

**The newest basket fashions!**

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**HEN HATCHES HUGE SURPRISE**

COOPERVILLE – Last night things really started hopping for Henrietta Hen. The young mother of 152 is \_\_\_\_\_ with excitement over the unusual \_\_\_\_\_ in her nest last night.

“I was just dozing off, around \_\_\_\_\_ when one of my eggs began to shake,” Henrietta recalls. “Now I know why I didn’t hear the tapping and \_\_\_\_\_ sounds the sweet beaks of my chicks usually make as they crack out of their shells.”

When Henrietta’s egg finally opened, a smiling \_\_\_\_\_

hopped out. “I nearly flew the coop!” Mrs. Hen said.

Although she is a bit “chicken” when it comes to all of the media \_\_\_\_\_, Henrietta’s story will soon be made into a book and a movie.

“I guess I’ll enjoy the fame while it lasts,” Henrietta says. “However, I don’t like to put all of my \_\_\_\_\_ in one basket.”



Draw a line to where each of these missing words belongs in the article.

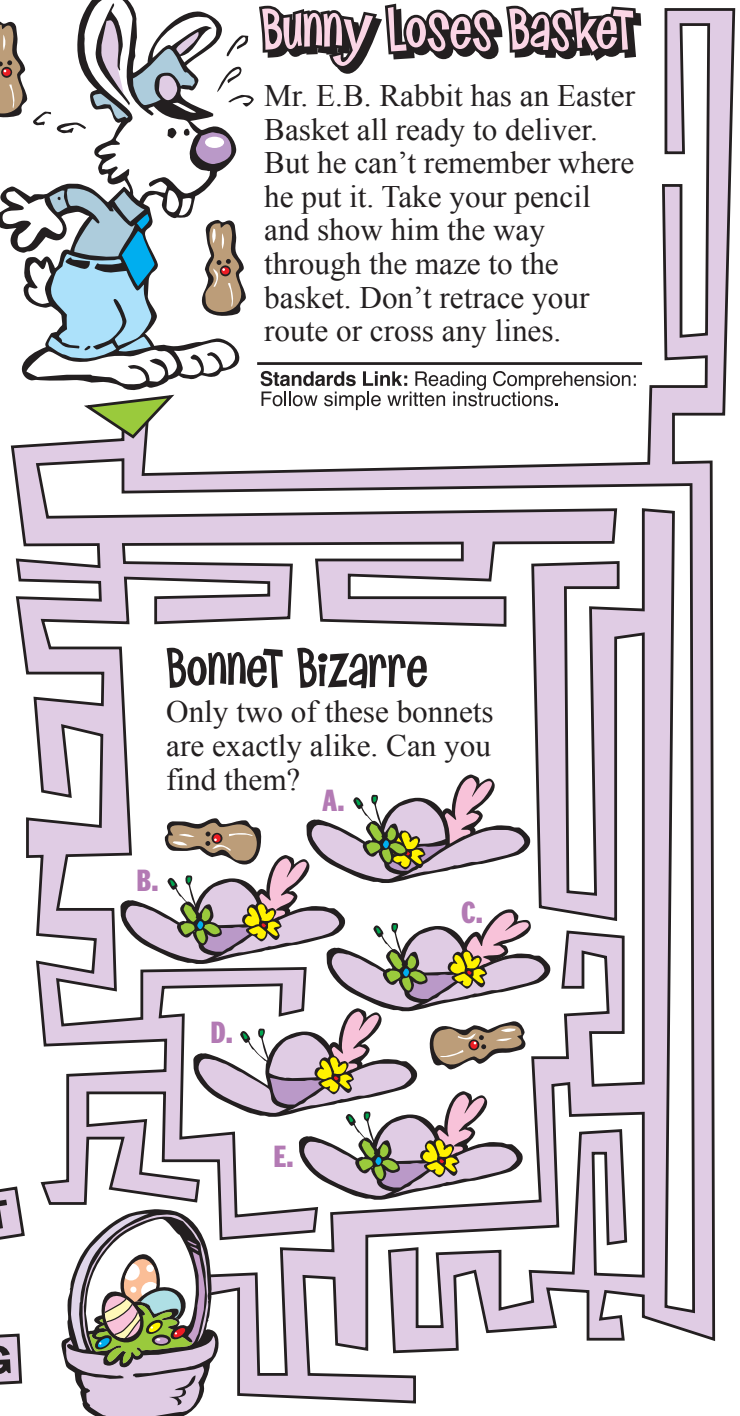
- BUNNY
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- JUMPING
- ATTENTION
- CHIPPING
- HATCHING
- EGGS



## Bunny Loses Basket

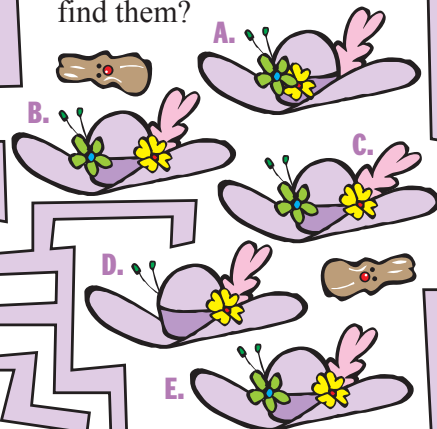
Mr. E.B. Rabbit has an Easter Basket all ready to deliver. But he can’t remember where he put it. Take your pencil and show him the way through the maze to the basket. Don’t retrace your route or cross any lines.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written instructions.



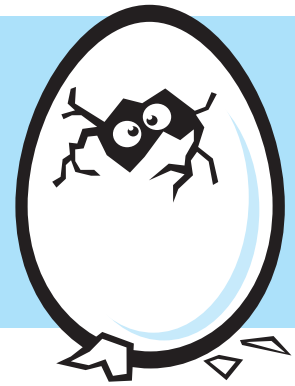
## Bonnet Bizarre

Only two of these bonnets are exactly alike. Can you find them?



# What's hatching?

Hatch up some fun with this egg-citing game!



## SCRAMBLED EGGS

Pictures of five animals that hatch from eggs are on this game board. They are hard to see because they are in parts. Try to put the animals back together again as you play the game!

**You need:**

- The game board on today's page.
- A pair of dice
- Markers for each player
- Five pieces of paper and a pen for each player
- A friend or two

**How to play:**

1. Hatch up a fair way to decide who goes first.
2. Each player rolls the dice and moves the number of spaces shown around the game board. The player draws the animal part on the space he or she landed upon.
3. As the game continues, the players add the parts of their pictures. The first player to complete a drawing of one of the animals wins.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step written directions.

Don't be chicken! Use the secret code to discover the answers to these hard-boiled questions.

1. What do you call a person who studies eggs?



2. What do scientists call egg-laying animals?



3. What is the scientific name for the white of an egg?



## SECRET CODE

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# THE BUNNY HOP

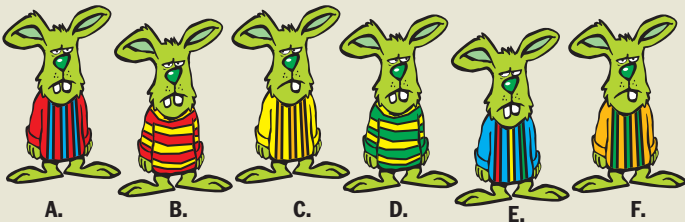
Hop vertically or horizontally (not diagonally!) from even-numbered bunny to even-numbered bunny only (odd-numbered bunnies are a dead end). Can you reach the big, juicy carrot at the end of the bunny trail?

GO!


## Who took Buzz's carrot?

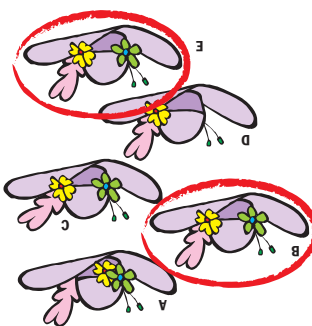
One of the Bad Bunny Brothers gobbled up Buzz's carrot that he was planning to have for lunch. Use the clues to figure out who did it.

**The thief has stripes on his shirt, but not horizontal ones. He is looking at another bunny. He is not missing a front tooth.**



**Standards Link:** Problem Solving: Use deductive reasoning to determine outcome.

## Answers



Bad bunny brother: E

What do you call a person who studies eggs?  
OOLOGIST

What do scientists call egg-laying animals?  
OVIPAROUS

What is the scientific name for the white of an egg?  
ALBUMEN

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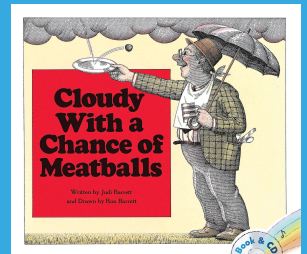
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## DID YOU KNOW?



You may have heard the phrase "April showers bring May flowers." This very saying is what inspired Read Today to find a book about rain. And what better book to recommend than "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs!" The book, written by Judi Barrett in 1978, tells the tale of a grandpa telling a bedtime story to his grandchildren about an ordinary town called Chewandswallow. The townsfolk didn't have to cook or go visit the grocery store because of the strange meteorological pattern that rained down all their meals. If you've seen the movie you have an idea of what happened, but did you know movies aren't always the same as the books they



are made after? For example, in the book the townspeople couldn't choose what food rains down and in the movie, Flint's invention allows the residents to call the shots. If you haven't read the book we highly recommend it. You'll find there's quite a few differences between what's in the book and the movie itself.

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ANIMAL

## Gentle Giants in Danger

In shallow salty waters and rivers, a large, slow-moving creature swims and grazes. It is called a manatee. A shy and very gentle herbivore, it is completely harmless.

For almost 50 million years, manatees have grazed the earth's tropical lagoons, rivers and bays. In Florida alone, there were once thousands of manatees. But now there are less than 3,000. They are in danger of becoming extinct.

**Varooooom!** All too often the people who like to go boating in these same waters ignore the Caution signs. Manatees get cut by the sharp propellers and many die from these run-ins.

The warm, shallow waters where manatees live are disappearing or becoming polluted. This loss of habitat is another reason manatees are endangered.

**Standards Link:** Life Science: Living things depend on one another and the environment for survival; the physical conditions of the environment can change and these changes can be detrimental.

### Worrisome Waters

When manatees accidentally eat trash left behind by humans, they can die. Help clean the lagoon by finding all of the things that don't belong.

**Standards Link:** Scientific methods: Sort objects by attributes.







David Dennis

# Baby Animals

Spring is the time many animal babies come into the world. Some babies look like their parents, only smaller. Others look very different.

Meet some of the world's newest creatures and use the secret code to discover what they are called when they are young.



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## SECRET CODE

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20=E	14=K	8=Q	2=W
19=F	13=L	7=R	1=Y



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GORILLA

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GOAT

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ELEPHANT

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TROUT

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ANTEATER

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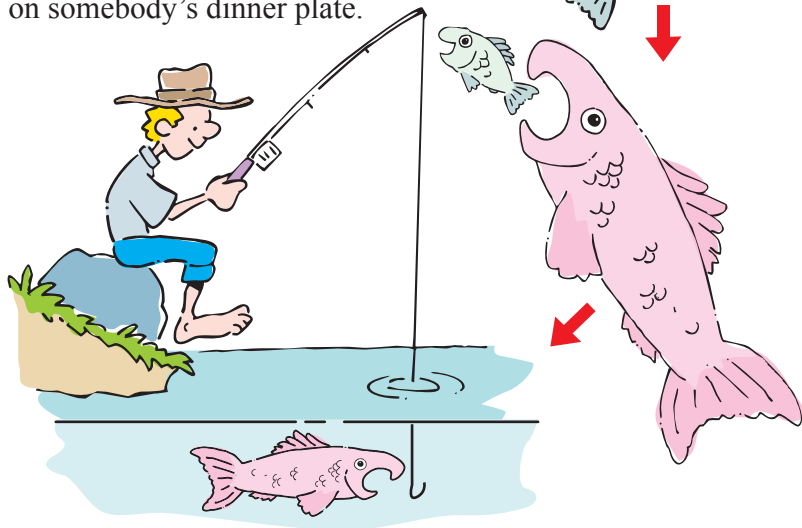
# She wrote a book that changed the world

In 1962, Rachel Carson's book *Silent Spring* was published. Her book described how DDT entered the food chain and gathered in the fatty tissues of animals, including human beings, causing cancer and other damage.

## Hidden danger

Insects that bite, eat crops and garden flowers are considered pests. Years ago, scientists discovered chemicals that killed insect pests. They called these chemicals "pesticides." For a while this seemed to be a great discovery.

But further study showed that these same chemicals, particularly one called **DDT**, killed more than just bothersome insects. What may be a pest to people may be food to a fish. That fish is food for a bigger fish, which is food for an even bigger fish. Eventually one of the animals in this food chain might end up on somebody's dinner plate.



Find where each missing word belongs in the article below.

**COURAGE**

## The backlash

Rachel's book \_\_\_\_\_ people. It also made many powerful people \_\_\_\_\_. She was criticized and called terrible names. But for Rachel the message was more important than her feelings. She carefully kept track of her \_\_\_\_\_ and found other scientists who agreed with her.

Eventually the United States government \_\_\_\_\_ DDT. And millions of people began to look more carefully at how human beings are \_\_\_\_\_ to the entire natural world.



## RESPONSIBILITY Government work

Not long after Rachel completed her master's degree in zoology, her father died and she became the sole supporter of the household she shared with her mother. In 1937, her sister died leaving two teenage daughters who joined Rachel's household.

Rachel found a job writing radio scripts for the United States Bureau of Fisheries (now called the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service). Eventually she became the editor-in-chief for all publications of this government service.

## CURIOSITY Night life

Rachel spent much of her childhood learning about nature. One night she decided to see what kinds of life could be found in the quiet of the night.

*"If I had been asked a month ago, I would have said my backyard was a peaceful enough place at night. That was before I had gone exploring in it with a flashlight, and had seen how the bushes, the jungles of moss and grass, and even the woodpile were filled with hunters. After an hour of exploring by flashlight, you realize as never before how alive the night is. It is alive with a thousand watchful eyes."*

— Rachel Carson, *The Sense of Wonder*

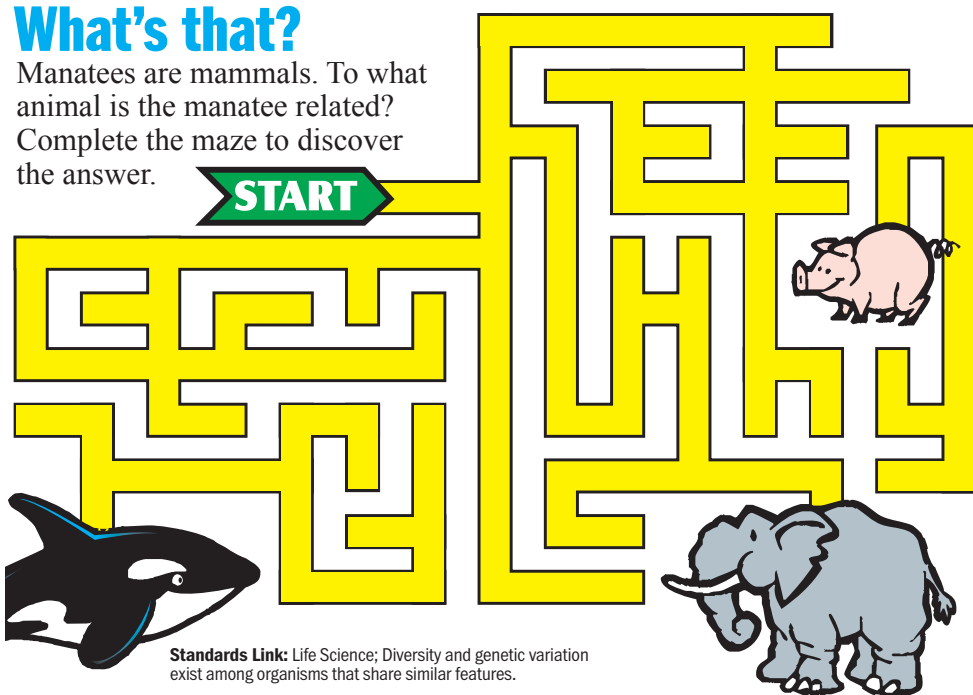




## What's that?

Manatees are mammals. To what animal is the manatee related? Complete the maze to discover the answer.

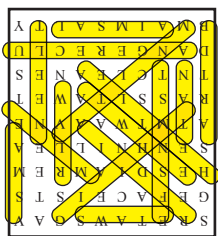
**START**



**Standards Link:** Life Science; Diversity and genetic variation exist among organisms that share similar features.

## Answers

Manatees come up for air every 3 to 5 minutes.  
Adult manatees eat over 100 pounds of water plants each day.  
Manatee calves are 3 feet long when they are born and weigh about 65 pounds. They grow to be about 10 feet long and weigh about 1,000 pounds.



## Manatee facts

Manatees come up for air every to minutes. Adult manatees eat over pounds of water plants each day.

Manatee calves are feet ( meter) long when they are born and weigh about pounds. They grow to be about -feet-long and weigh about pounds.

## Double double word search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally. Then find them again on the pages of Connect123.

MANATEE CALVES TEAM  
GENTLE TRASH CLEAN  
GIANTS WARM FACE  
DANGER WATERS TALES  
MER-SWIMS  
MAIDS SALTY



**Standards link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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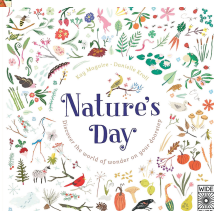


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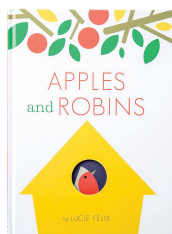
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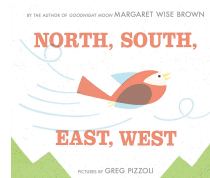
**"Nature,"** by Thomas Hegbrook. Explore the beauty and wonder of nature in this wordless picture book.



**"Nature's Day: Discover the World of Wonder on Your Doorstep,"** by Kay Maguire. This first book of nature helps young readers to discover the world of wildlife on their doorstep.



**"Apples and Robins,"** by Lucie Felix. In this extraordinary book, one thing transforms into another as each page turns.



**"North, South, East, West,"** by Margaret Wise Brown. A story about a little bird's first journey, brought to life by illustrator Greg Pizzoli.



**"What Will Grow,"** by Jennifer Ward. All seeds have one thing in common – inside each is a new plant life waiting to emerge.



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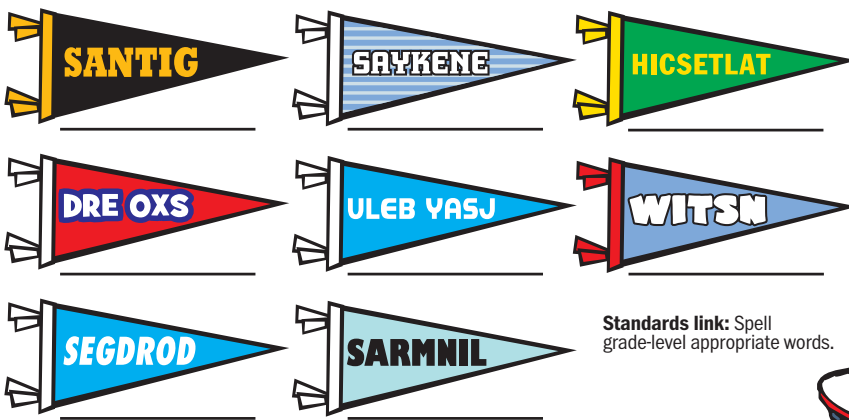
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## Play Ball

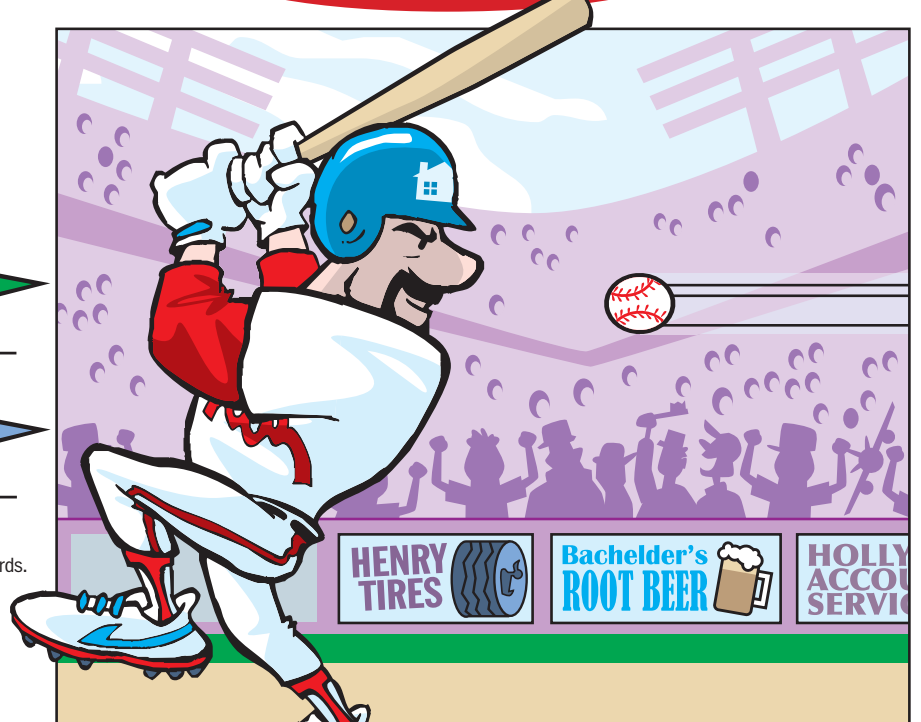
Baseball season is here and team pennants are sprouting like wildflowers.

Unscramble the names of the teams and write them below each pennant.



Standards link: Spell grade-level appropriate words.

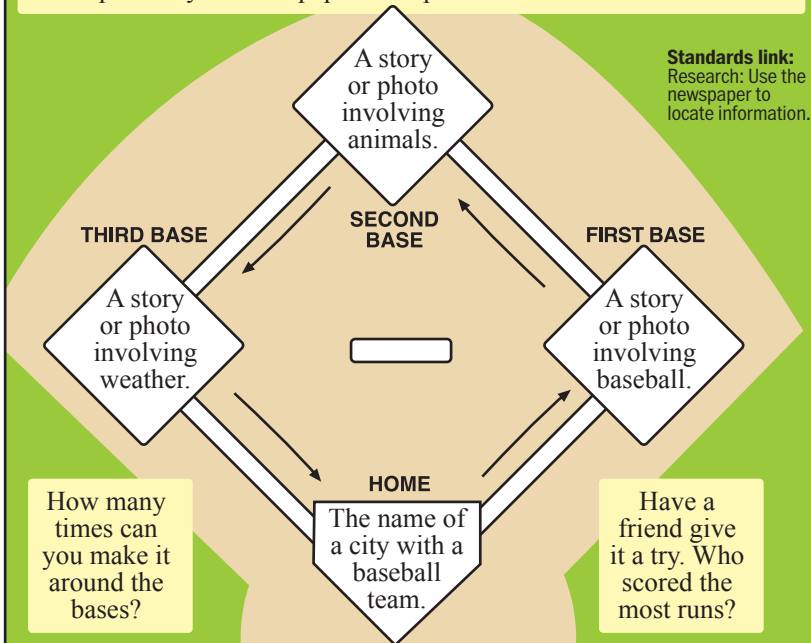
## Sports



**HIDDEN PICTURES** Find a ruler, a duck, a toothbrush, a house and an airplane.

## Play newspaper baseball!

Can you hit a home run? It's easy! Just find the item in each base and on home plate in your newspaper. Complete all four and it's a home run!



## Good sport turns losing into winning

Baseball fans are glad Alexander Cartwright wasn't a sore \_\_\_\_\_.

While he wasn't the first person to think of hitting a ball with a stick, Alexander was the first person to write down a set of \_\_\_\_\_ for a game he called "base ball" and it included hitting a ball with a stick. After he wrote down the rules, he put together a \_\_\_\_\_. He called them the Knickerbockers.

He challenged another team to a game. Alexander's Knickerbockers lost, 23 to 1. Some people might have given up and never played baseball again – not Alexander. He \_\_\_\_\_ his team to more towns and kept playing. Soon town teams were playing all over the United States.

The \_\_\_\_\_ of baseball had begun. All because Alexander Cartwright was a good sport!

Where does each word belong?



# Refreshing change

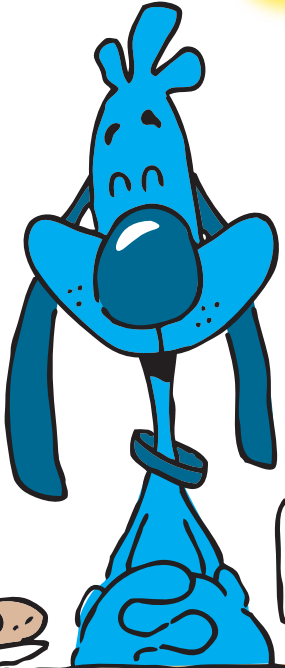
Fritter has been saving towards a summer visit to **Six Wags Amusement Park**. His goal is to save and earn a total of \$100. Fritter is now up to \$97.50!

**A Note to Parents**  
Next time you go to the store, give your child the money and let them pay the cashier. Have your child calculate how much change they should receive and be sure they count it.

With the weather getting warmer, my pal Fritter decided to open a refreshment stand to make some money.



MENU	
Lemonade	\$1
Cookie	25¢
Kid Scoop News	\$1.50
Peanuts	75¢
Banana	30¢



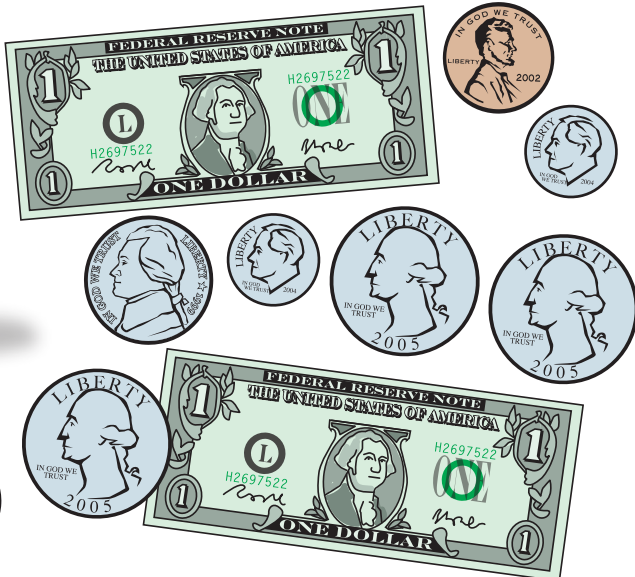
## Make change!

Can you help Fritter count out the correct change for his customers?

Tonya bought a glass of lemonade plus two cookies. She paid with two dollars. Circle the coins Fritter should give her in change.



Lien-hua bought a bag of peanuts, a glass of lemonade and a copy of *Kid Scoop News*. She paid with a \$5 bill. Circle the bills and coins Fritter should give her in change.



What could you buy from **Fritter's Refreshment Stand** with this exact amount?  
**\$2.05**

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Try setting up your own refreshment stand this weekend! How much money will you earn?



Inside your body are warrior cells that find and attack harmful germs. Some people have warrior cells that get confused. They attack things that are not normally harmful to people, such as pollen, cat dander or mold.

When this happens, the place where the warrior cells are fighting swells up, turns red and gets itchy. This is called an **allergic reaction**.

# The Tale of the CONFUSED WARRIORS

## ALL ABOUT ALLERGIES


These confused warrior cells are looking for things to attack. Can you find:


-  strawberry
-  peanut
-  egg
-  pollen
-  grass
-  cat
-  dog
-  milk
-  wheat




### What are allergies?

Jacob, Amanda and Sasha have allergies. Yet their allergies are all different.

 If Jacob pets his friend's cat, he starts to sneeze.

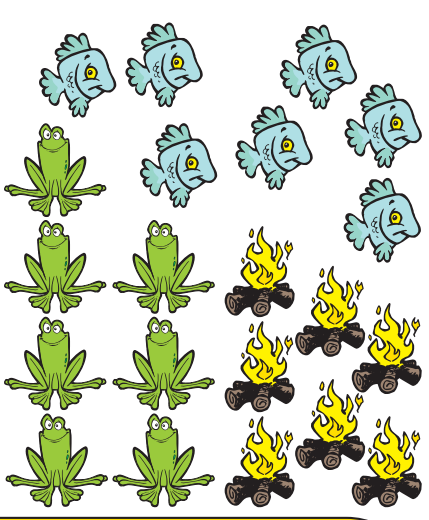
 If Sasha eats strawberries, she breaks out in an itchy rash.

 Amanda's first taste of a peanut butter sandwich made her vomit, wheeze and struggle to breathe. Amanda cannot eat things with nuts.

Do YOU have any allergies?  
Does a member of your family suffer from allergies?

## Sort the fruit

Draw a line from each piece of fruit to the box where it belongs.



### My rhyme time

Fred ate fresh fruit on Fridays for fun.  
Ate seven bananas but still wasn't done!  
Ate six apples, and grapes by the bunch.  
That's what Fred the Gorilla had for lunch!

### My Letters

**F** is for Fruit  
**f** is for fruit

**Learning Buddies:** Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter F. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the F sound like the word fruit?

### My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

How many ?

**Learning Buddies:** Trace and say the number 7. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

## Allergy sufferer wins!

In 1996, swimmer Amy Van Dyken became the first woman to ever win four gold \_\_\_\_\_ in a single Olympics.

Amy has severe \_\_\_\_\_. When she was a little girl, her allergies caused asthma attacks that often sent her to the \_\_\_\_\_ room at the hospital. She was so \_\_\_\_\_ from her asthma that she could not swim the length of a pool until she was 12 years old.

Since that time, new treatments have made it possible for people with allergies and asthma to live more \_\_\_\_\_ lives. In Amy's case, it helped her go for the \_\_\_\_\_!

ALLERGIES

GOLD

NORMAL

MEDALS

WEAK

EMERGENCY

**Aaa-CHOO!** A big sneeze blew some words out of this story. Can you find where each word belongs?

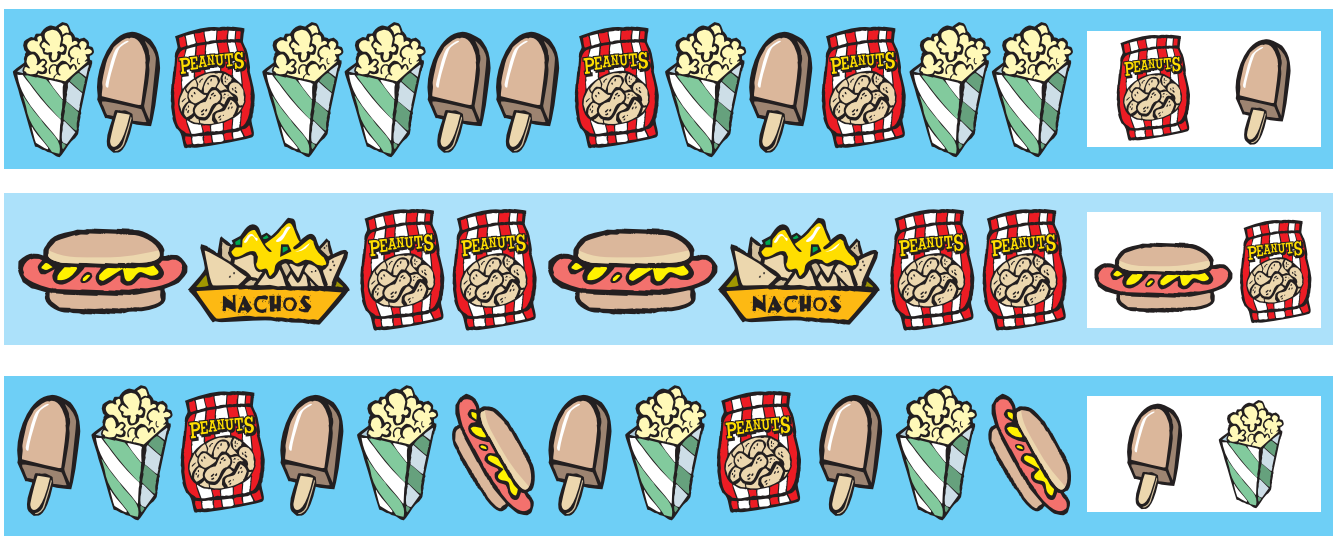
Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use context clues to understand the meaning of sentences.

## Answers

Lemonade, Banana  
What could you buy from Fritter's refreshment stand?

## Grand slam snacks

Look for a pattern. What comes next in each row of baseball stadium snacks?



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