

There are so many people in every community who never leave their homes. We usually refer to these people as shut-ins. They are the elderly or infirm who cannot come and go as the rest of us. Imagine you make one of these people extremely happy by taking some time to visit them. Describe this event. Use words and sentences that help the reader see, hear, touch, smell, and taste what you describe. To help you get ready to write, complete the following:

1. Write three complete sentences that describe what you saw.
2. Write three complete sentences that describe what you heard.
3. Write three complete sentences that describe what you smelled or tasted.
4. Write three complete sentences that describe how this event made you feel.

Now you are ready to write. Make the reader feel like he/she is there with you.

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Name: _____

Read the topic. Fill in the boxes with your ideas.

Topic: A snowman's trip to the beach

You are a snowman going to the beach. What will you do?

Fun activities

Toys

Write a topic and a story to describe the picture.



Topic: _____

Write a paragraph: _____

Topic: A snowman's trip to the beach

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There are many differences between tortilla chips and traditional potato chips. Write a paragraph (or you might write an essay if you choose) comparing and contrasting these snacks.

1. Brainstorm a list of five ways tortilla chips are different from potato chips.
2. Think for a moment. How are these snacks similar? To begin, write a general statement about tortilla chips and potato chips. This general statement will be your topic sentence.
3. Now, support your topic sentence with at least three sentences that provide facts, details, and examples.

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Name: _____

Goal: Write a persuasive letter

Former President Jimmy Carter said Hurricane Katrina showed that all are not yet equal in America. "This commemorative ceremony this morning, this afternoon, is not only to acknowledge the great contributions of Coretta and Martin [Luther King, Jr.], but to remind us that the struggle for equal rights is not over. We only have to recall the color of the faces of those in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi," Carter said, the rest of his sentence drowned out by loud applause. "Those who were most devastated by [Hurricane] Katrina know that there are not yet equal opportunities for all Americans. It is our responsibility to continue their crusade." Do you agree with Carter's assessment given the fact that statistics suggest that more whites than blacks were victims? Write a persuasive letter to former President Carter expressing your opinion. Support your opinion with reasons. To help you get ready to write, plan your letter below.

1. Describe the way you feel about the aid received (or not received) by those who were most devastated by Katrina.
2. Why do you feel this way?
3. Should the American people believe that the struggle for equal rights is not over?
4. Brainstorm a list of reasons to support your opinion.
5. Choose the three most convincing reasons. Write these reasons as clear sentences. List them in order of importance, placing the most important reason first.

Write your letter. Convince the former president to agree with your opinion

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Name: _____

Read the sentence. Then write three questions that are unanswered.

Saul attends the Outdoor Club after school.

1. _____ What are the Outdoor Club activities?

2. _____

3. _____

Turn the sentence and your questions into a paragraph. Be sure to include details and explanations.

Read the topic. Try to make it better. The first one is done for you.

Topic: winter

1. _____ hiking during a snowstorm

2. _____

Free choice writing:

Name: _____

February **Funny Fill-Ins**

Read the story. Make a list of nouns you could use.
Then complete the story using words from your list.



Fill in the blanks with (funny) nouns.

Our _____
noun was telling us how the class card

exchange would work. I stood far away and clutched

my handmade _____.
noun I had spent the whole

_____ constructing it. It was made of _____,
noun noun

_____, and lots of _____. Trouble was, it was
noun noun

the only one I had. I gave it to the _____, and
noun

hoped no one would notice I wasn't otherwise involved.

Name: _____

February **Funny Fill-Ins**

Read the story. Make a list of verbs you could use.
Then complete the story using words from your list.



Fill in the blanks with (funny) verbs.

My job is to _____ out and get the mail every day.
verb

On Valentine's Day I _____ for joy when I saw our
verb
mailbox was stuffed with love letters addressed to me.

I _____ them into a big pile and _____ back
verb verb
into my house. I breathlessly _____ them open.
verb

I guess I could've _____ a lot longer, though. Sigh.
verb

Turns out they were all from my grandma. Thanks anyway!

Name: _____

Persuasive Writing

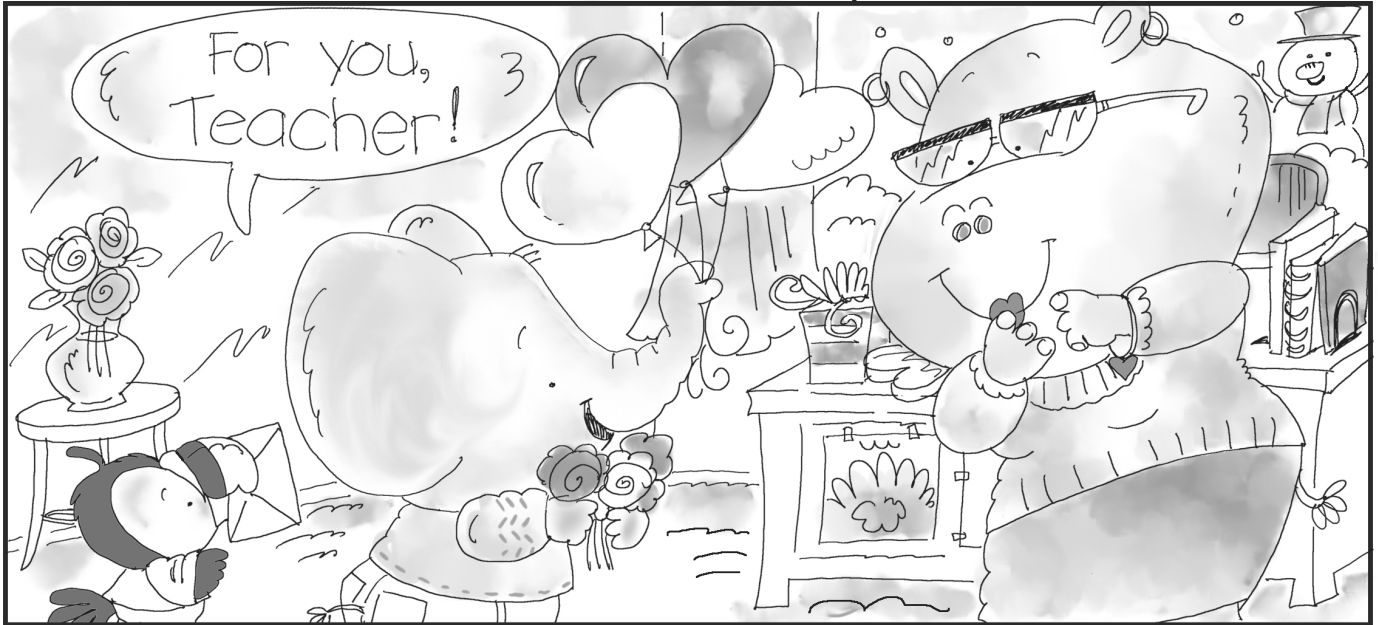
You've noticed a pair of sisters down at the local ice rink that are excellent at hockey.

Write down reasons they should try out for the community team.



Name: _____

Write About Bouquets



Use the words: flowers, roses, fresh, balloons, and surprise.

Name: _____

Alliteration

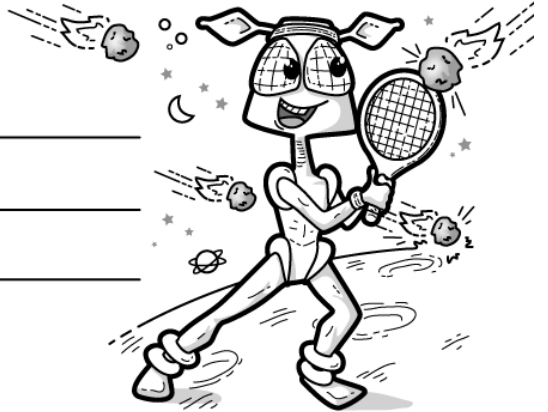
Alliteration is when words in a sentence begin with the same sound. Here is an example:

The fancy fox fed ferociously on French fries.



Use your incredible imagination to create sentences using alliteration based on the pictures.





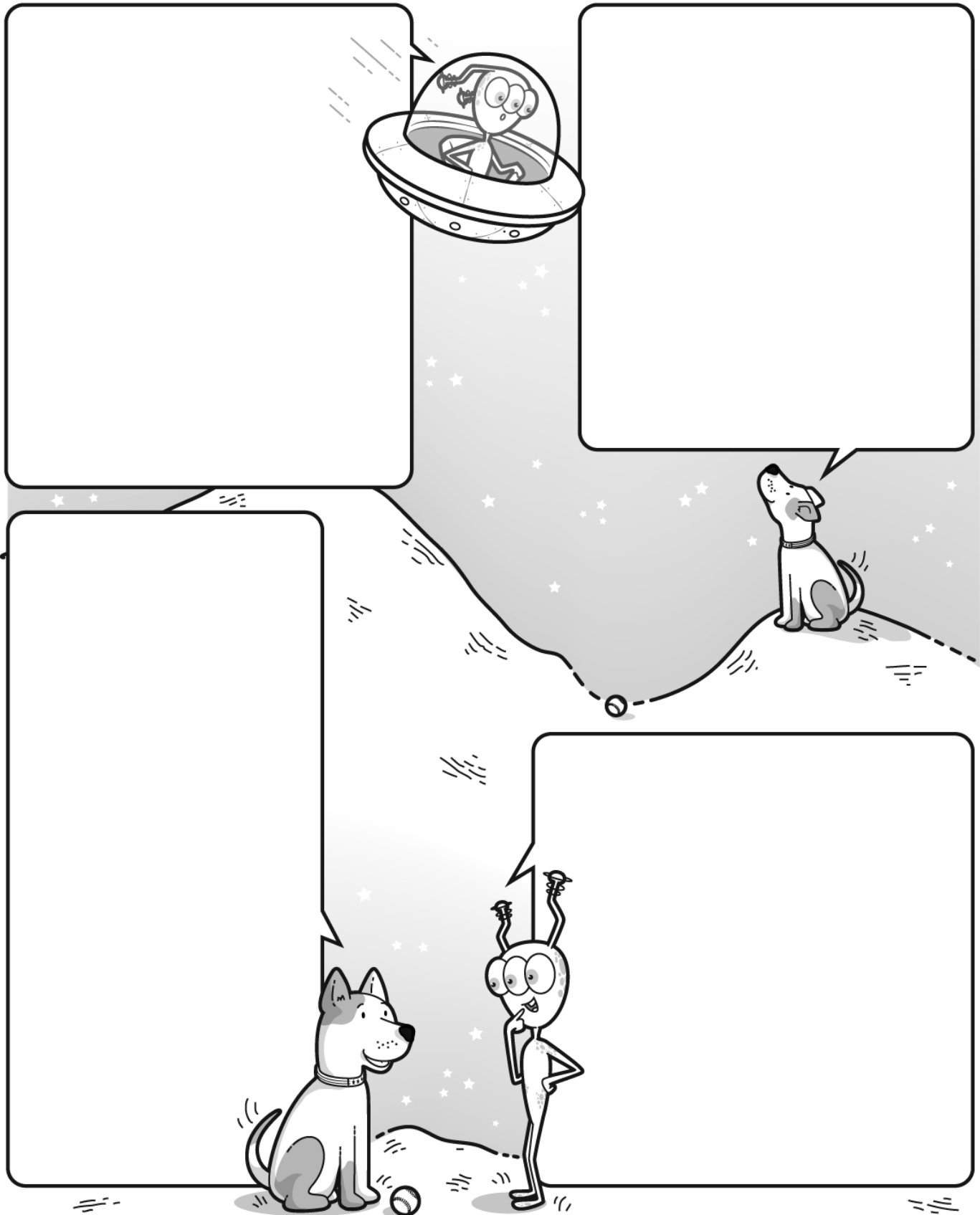




Now it's your turn! Draw a picture and write a sentence about it using alliteration.


Name: _____

Herbert the Husky met an alien outside. Herbert can communicate with this Earth visitor, so they have a nice chat. Fill in the bubbles with some things they say to each other.





Write your ad here:

A cartoon character with a large, bulbous nose, wearing a striped shirt and a small hat, is depicted in a dynamic pose, possibly shouting or singing into a microphone. The character is surrounded by sound waves and small dots, suggesting a lively or energetic scene. The character is positioned in the bottom right corner of the page.

Name: _____

Spell the r sound.

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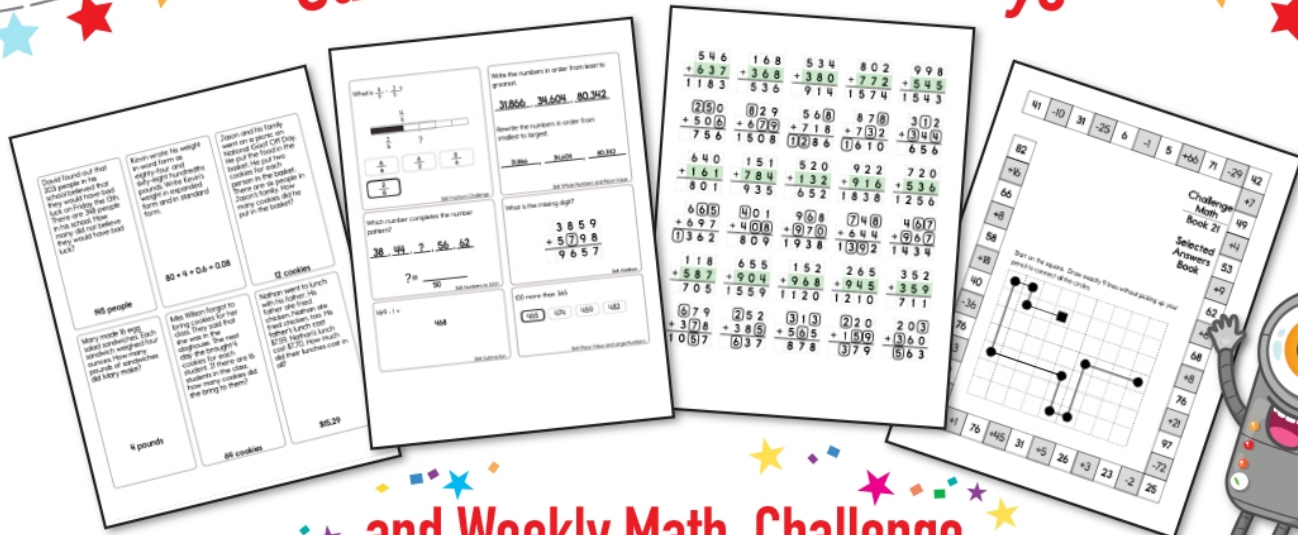
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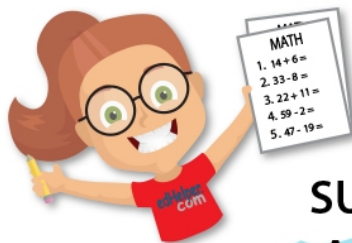
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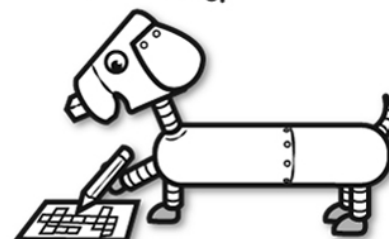
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