

Did you know that people in Australia never see the Big Dipper? Instead, they have the Southern Cross in their night sky. Write a letter to a child in Australia describing the constellations you see in your night sky.

1. Describe the constellations you see. Tell how many stars make up these constellations and describe how they are arranged.
 2. Do you know any of the stories related to these constellations? Maybe you could research some of these if you don't.
 3. What do these constellations remind you of?
 4. What else is in the sky when you look up from where you live? Describe what you see.
- Keep in mind your audience as you are writing your letter.

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Name: _____

describing words:	carsick	running	cracked
	lengthy	zany	giddy

who or what?	movie script	novel	governor
	child	professor	levee

did what?	was tedious reading	gave advice
	spoiled the afternoon	

when?	over summer vacation	on Saturday
	after graduation	recently

where?	in the auditorium	at the YMCA
	at the auction	in Oklahoma

Write one sentence. Use some of the ideas from above.

Circle the ideas you used from above. Use at least two of these ideas:

when? describing words: who or what? did what?

How much is each word worth? Add the value of each letter to find the sum.

Letter	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S
Value	0	4	35	-2	3	46	-29	27	9	1	-5	8	6	-7	-44	6	4	10	42

Letter	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
Value	9	48	0	1	8	5	-31

SALMON = $42 + 0 + 8 + 6 + (-44) + (-7) = 5$

LOAN = _____

AWFUL = _____

$30 \div 6 =$

$1 \text{ kg} = 1,000 \text{ g}$

$13 \text{ kg} = \text{_____ g}$

$9,752 - 3,696 = \text{_____}$

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Do you think our nation needs to set aside a day for Pretzel Day? Establishing commemorative days costs the taxpayers money and takes time from the House of Representatives. Seven years ago the House changed its rules to ban new commemorative days, but lawmakers suspend the rules and do it anyway. Why would we need a special day for pretzels? Take a stand. Write an editorial expressing your opinion. Support your opinion with reasons. To help you get ready to write, answer the following questions.

- Convince the reader to agree with your opinion.

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Earth Day is a time to act to protect our planet. Write an essay about what high school students your age all across America can do to protect the planet. To help you get started, answer the following questions.

1. Brainstorm a list of things students your age can do to protect the planet.
2. How would these items protect the planet?
3. What would your life be like if people did not act to protect the planet?

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Write your school librarians a letter in which you thank them for their contributions. To help you get started, answer the following questions.

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The traditions of Songkran have a long history and are still observed in the Thai homeland of Sipsong Panna in southwestern China, in Laos, and in northern Burma. Songkran, or the Thai New Year, is actually the celebration of the passing of the sun from Taurus into Aries. It is a solar event that marks the beginning of a new astrological year, and this is very important in Thailand. Songkran day is always April 13. Write a letter to someone in Thailand in which you compare and contrast the similarities and differences between Thai New Year and the New Year celebrations we have in the United States.

- Keep in mind your audience as you are writing your letter.

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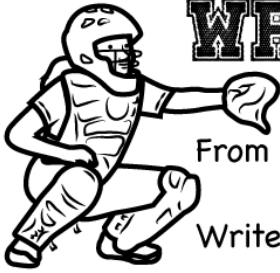
This is the day to celebrate stories. Write a story that includes at least two characters. To help you get started, answer the following questions.

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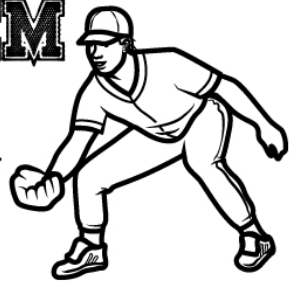
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WRITE AN ACROSTIC POEM



From the pictures on this page, come up with a topic word.



Write your topic word: _____



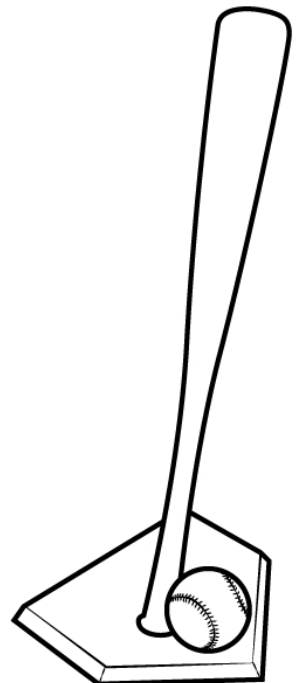
Write some words that begin with the letters in the topic word.



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_____	_____	_____	_____



Write your acrostic poem.



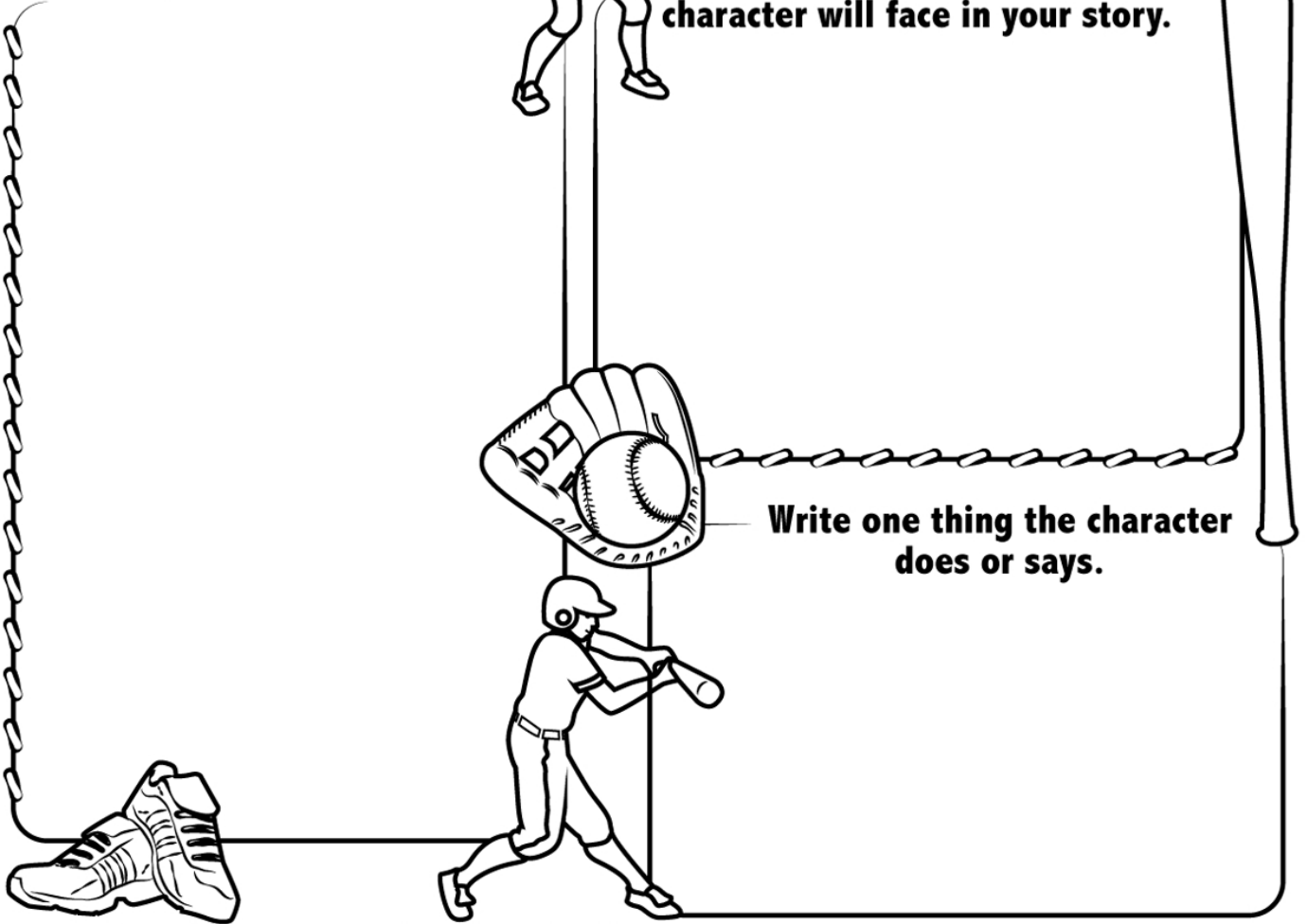
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Think of a character for a story.

Name of character: _____

Draw a picture of this character.

Write about one major event this
character will face in your story.



Write one thing the character
does or says.

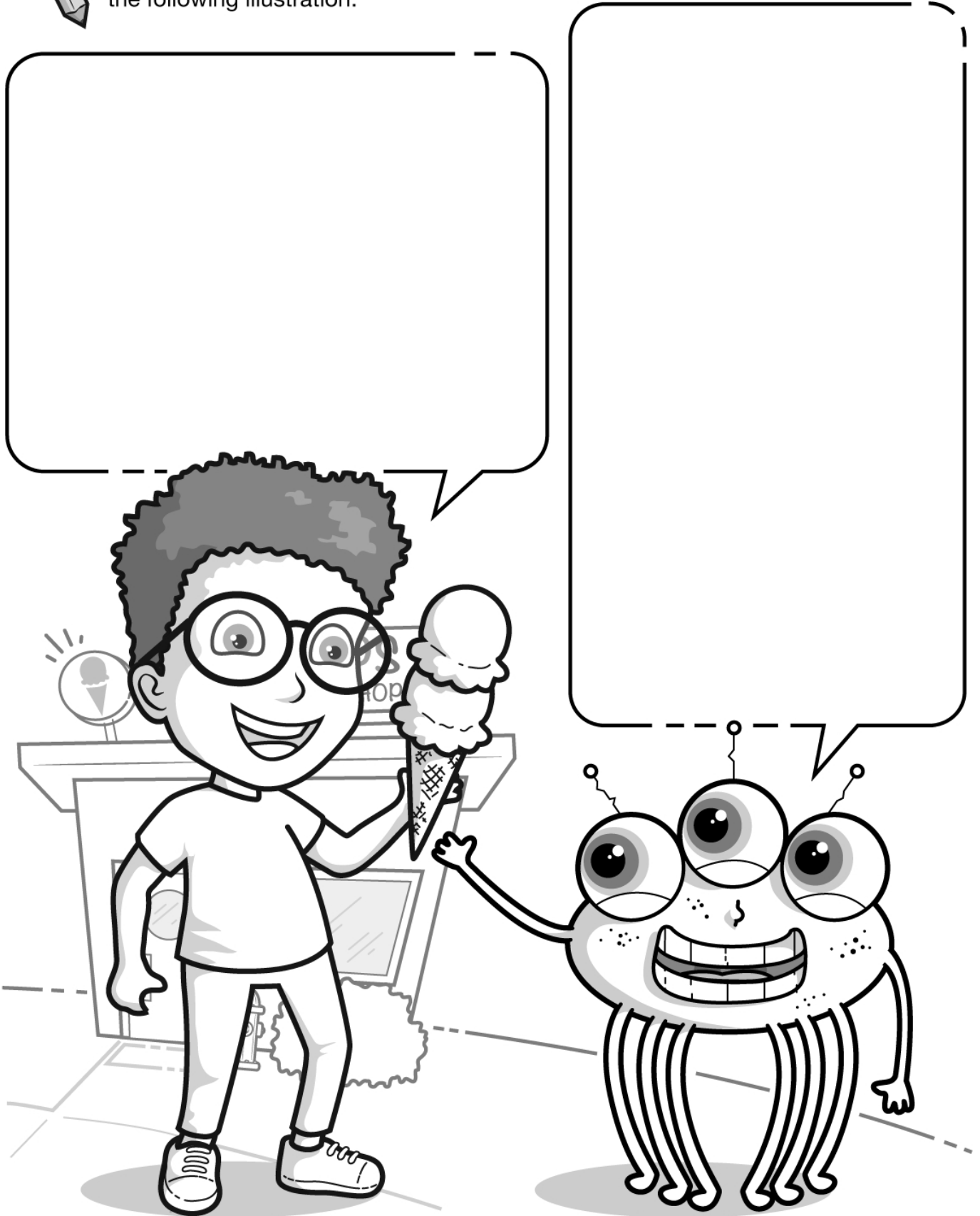
What will happen next in the story?

Give a title to your story.

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It must be fun to be able to draw cartoons, but not **everyone** has that special ability. But you could add captions to an existing drawing! Fill in the dialogue bubbles for the following illustration:



Name: _____

You are the teacher. If a word is spelled correctly, put a checkmark next to it and rewrite the word. If the word is misspelled, cross off the word and put an X. Then write the correct spelling.

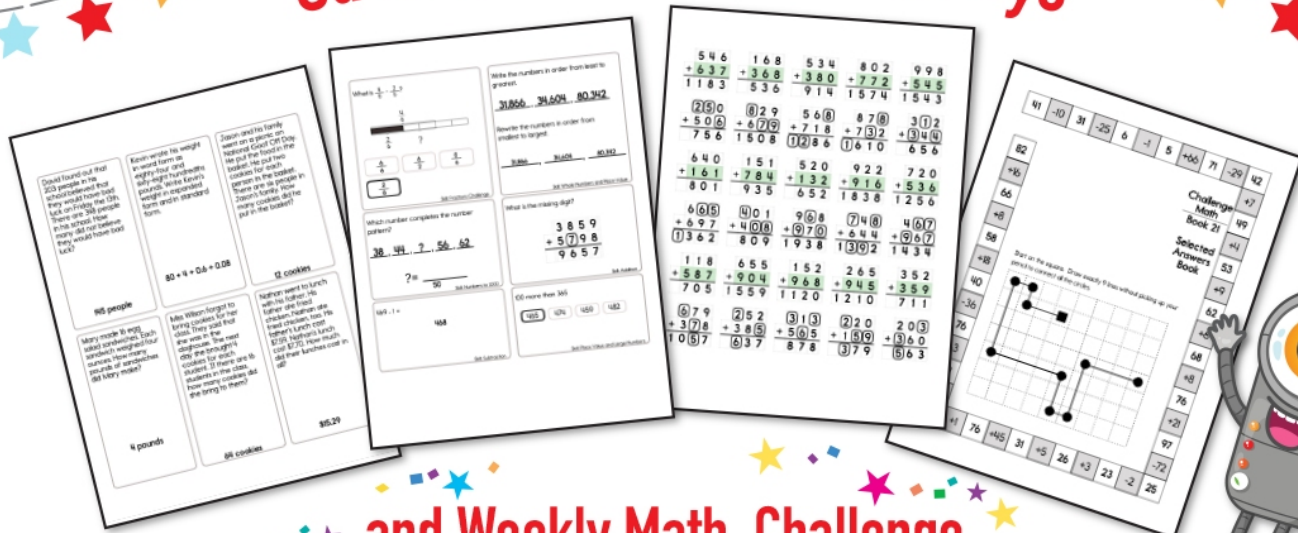
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| 5. altered | _____ |
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| 7. amoebas | _____ |
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| 9. advertisement | _____ |
| 10. cooperative | _____ |

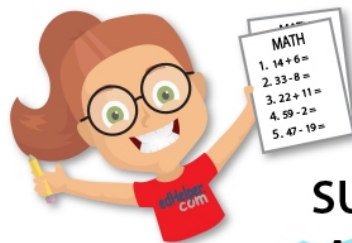
Name: Robert

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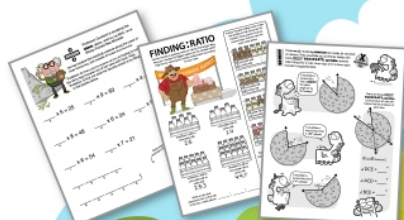
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