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The purpose of this project was to develop a set of instructional materials that would provide classroom teachers with a motivational method for teaching the skill of following written directions. The set of 180 direction exercises provided practice in applying phonetic elements and structural analysis in the context of a reading activity. Comprehension skills were practiced through the development of key concepts, use of structural words, comparing and contrasting ideas, making appropriate judgments and teaching cognitive strategies. With daily use, the directions provided continuous practice in essential reading skills while eliciting observable consequent behaviors which implied language reception or comprehension.
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Chapter 1

BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

Research indicates the significance of following written directions as an important reading skill. Kuehne (1977) stated, "Because following directions is an important phase of the 'learning to read' process, spending valuable classroom time to help students better understand directions is important." (p. 107)

The apparent inability of children at all levels to understand and correctly execute written directions is of concern to classroom teachers. As a supervisor of student teachers, Newcastle (1974) reported:

... I have often heard student teachers and experienced teachers alike lament and deplore the inability of children of all ages to read and follow written directions. A person listening to a heated discussion of this subject in a teachers' lounge might variously conclude that: 1) it is a genetic defect which afflicts most human beings under seventeen years of age, 2) it is a handicap induced by an overdose of television, 3) it is a cyclical malady that strikes children just before holidays, or 4) it is a pathetic plea for individual attention which no teacher dare ignore lest she forfeit her happy face button and membership in SLID (Society for Lovers of Individual Differences). (p. 292)

Because the ability to follow directions is a survival reading skill which is vital to functioning in society, it is the responsibility of teachers to provide systematic practice in developing this skill. Blair (1978) cited
following directions as an important survival reading skill to be included in functional reading programs.

Hollander (1977) recommended instruction in following directions as being necessary to understanding mathematics reading material. Cassidy (1978) stated that following written directions is a crucial skill in any content area, and added:

However, it is particularly important in science since science texts contain so many directions for completing experiments and investigations. Students must pay careful attention to every step of the directions before completing the investigation. (p. 40)

As a survival skill, learning how to follow directions must be part of every student's educational program. McCullough and Towery (1976) stated, "The responsibility of teachers to design lessons which will help ensure the development of this skill should not be taken lightly." (p. 654)

However, there are not enough commercially prepared materials available to provide for daily practice in the skill of following directions. A survey of the literature conducted by Calder and Zalatimo (1970) indicated a scarcity of suitable material for students to use independently for practice in following directions.

**Purpose of the Study**

The purpose of the study was to develop instructional materials that would provide systematic practice in following written directions.
Focus of the Study

In developing instructional materials that could be incorporated into existing reading programs, daily exercises were designed to include the following objectives:

1. to increase comprehension skills;
2. to provide the student with daily systematic practice in the functional living skill of following directions;
3. to provide the student with motivation for reading by challenging his curiosity;
4. to provide the student with a reading purpose that is relevant to everyday living skills.

In listing the intellectual processes involved in following written directions, Newcastle (1974) stated:

The ability to read and follow written directions independently requires such intellectual processes as decoding, interpretation, analysis, synthesis, evaluation and critical sequential application of what is read. (p. 293)

The components of the individual lessons were selected from the intellectual processes listed by Newcastle.

Limitations

The set of directions developed for this project was for students whose reading levels range from second grade through eleventh grade. The set provided one lesson a day for an entire school year. The exercises were intended for use on a daily basis.
In Chapter 2, a review of related literature is presented.

In Chapter 3, the procedures followed in the development of the project are covered.

Chapter 4 contains the completed set of directions that were presented on overhead acetates and laminated index cards.

Chapter 5 summarizes the project and includes recommendations.
Chapter 2

A REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE AS A BASIS FOR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The development of the exercises in following directions was based on a review of the literature as listed under the headings of 1) The Skill of Following Directions, 2) Decoding: Phonetic and Structural Analysis Skills, 3) Building Comprehension, and 4) Readability of Directions.

**The Skill of Following Directions**

Reading and following directions are necessary skills to everyday living. McCullough and Towery (1976) stated that in the home cooks must be able to follow a recipe correctly in food preparation. To open and close a container, heat a can of soup, follow a recipe, or operate both simple and sophisticated equipment for food preparation requires an understanding of written instructions. One must follow directions to properly load and operate a washing machine. Hobbies such as sewing, building an airplane model or assembling do-it-yourself kits require the ability to follow carefully sequenced directions that must be properly executed. In the community, one must be able to read and understand directions everywhere. Signs direct us to drive a certain number of miles per hour, to park only in specific places, and also indicate where we are and where we
are going. One cannot operate a fire extinguisher, an emergency exit door, or a pay phone without an understanding of directions. In our increasingly competitive world of work, jobs are dependent upon the ability to follow written and verbal directions from the filling out of a job application form to the execution of a work responsibility. In school, students must first read and follow directions in order to complete their assignments. All varieties of course work in school, ranging from science experiments to becoming familiar with the rules to play games in a physical education class, again demand the skill of following directions. Standardized achievement tests require careful adherence to directions.

As McCullough and Towery (1976) warned:

The penalties for not following directions can be numerous and are often hazardous. We receive parking or speeding tickets for violating the rules. Also, ignoring stop or yield signs can result in permanent physical injury. Sirens wail if the wrong train switch is opened and people become violently ill if medication is not taken as prescribed. (p. 653)

Pyrczak (1977) conducted a study concerning the ability of high school students to comprehend directions on potentially hazardous household products. The scores revealed that there were some students who were far from any reasonable level of mastery of this important type of reading skill. In his discussion, Pyrczak suggested that steps should be taken to improve students' ability to read directions through systematic instruction in this crucial
everyday reading skill.

Griffith (1977) included the ability to follow directions as part of a minimal competency exam program. Included in a CARE (Combining Activities with Real Experiences) kit developed at Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, were packets of materials for job-getting skills that included practice in following directions.

As a technique to build comprehension skills, Broward (1976) included activities in following directions. Wheatley (1976), in developing a guide to help bilingual students learn English reading and writing skills necessary to acquire jobs, included objectives to teach ESL students how to follow directions. Bursuk (1976) stated that success in secondary school depended largely upon students' competency in study skills that included following directions.

In her Success-Oriented Reading Program: A Strategies Approach, Levine (1976) included in techniques for overcoming learning detractors a direction vocabulary for inability to follow directions. A two-volume curriculum guide prepared by the Maryland State Department of Education was designed to meet the functional reading needs of Maryland's public school students in grades one through twelve. Following directions was one of the four major goals of the reading program presented in this curriculum guide.

Newcastle (1974) has concluded,
The inability of many children to follow written directions can often be ascribed to: 1) the inability to read and understand the meaning of words frequently used in written directions, 2) poorly written directions, 3) little systematic instruction in reading and following written directions, 4) conditioned and reinforced habits of inattention by harried well-meaning teachers who can be counted on to patiently repeat directions for children who didn't bother to attend to them the first time, and 5) self-defeating teaching practices that condition children to rely on remembering and following teacher-given oral directions rather than reading and understanding and acting on written directions they have analyzed and solved for themselves. (p. 292)

There are probably many other reasons, but Newcastle singled these out because they are most accessible to improvement or elimination by the classroom teacher.

Systematic instruction in following directions would improve students' ability in this skill area.

Calder and Zalatimo (1970) conducted a study to test the effects of instructional booklets on improving childrens' abilities to follow written and oral instructions. The major hypotheses tested were:

1. Subjects using instructional booklets to supplement their reading program will make greater gains in their abilities to read and follow written directions than subjects using only a basic language arts program.

2. Subjects using instructional booklets to supplement their reading programs will make greater gains in their abilities to listen and follow oral directions than subjects using only a basic language arts program. (p. 227)

While the results showed no difference between groups in their abilities to follow oral directions, they showed significant differences between the control and experimental groups in their abilities to read and follow
directions. Calder and Zalatimo stated, "This finding is very important because of the relationship of this skill to success in the world of work." (p. 231) They went on to suggest,

Intrinsically motivating materials should be used to supplement the basic and fundamental or developmental skills program in language arts. This type of program seems to help children overcome some of the frustrations caused by failure in the skill areas. The materials enable the teacher to reinforce skills in a way that allows the learner to perform a variety of activities that meet his immediate desires and needs. (p. 238)

### Decoding: Phonetic and Structural Analysis Skills

Zintz (1966) defined phonetic analysis as "the application of a knowledge of consonant and vowel sound clues to the pronunciation of a word." (p. 398) Practice in application of phonetic elements and rules was included in the exercises. Structural analysis, as defined by Zintz, is "the means by which the parts of a word which form meanings units or pronunciation units within the word are identified." (p. 400) Syllabication is part of structural analysis and practice was included in some of the exercises.

Students need systematic practice in the application of these decoding skills. Robeck and Wilson (1974) added, "Decoding skills taught in the context of meaningful reading encourage the application of the skills in independent reading situations." (p. 222) The authors also related that the decoding sequence needed to be an integral part of the total
reading program. Students needed daily opportunities to transfer their decoding skills to the reading situation. Not allowing the student ample systematic practice in applying decoding skills in order to master the process established further potential for reading failure. Included in the exercises in following directions were opportunities to apply both phonetic and structural analysis skills.

Building Comprehension

Of primary concern in the preparation of reading materials was the building of comprehension. Peters (1977) listed reading to follow directions as one of twelve teachable components in the comprehension process. In identifying problems related to comprehension difficulties, Peters included: "1) inadequate knowledge of key concepts, 2) insufficient language skills, 3) inadequate reading-skill competencies, and 4) insufficient cognitive strategies." (p. 245) In developing the exercises in following directions, instructional techniques were incorporated that could be used to eradicate the weaknesses related to each of these areas.

Development of Key Concepts

To assist the student in developing knowledge of concepts, practice in identifying relationships was recommended. The use of analogies can provide practice in concepts. Nelson (1975) stated:
By strict definition, an analogy is not an identity of one thing with another, but an identity of relations. It is in this sense that the analogy may be adapted for use as a classroom tool.

... ...

In logic, analogy refers to a form of reasoning in which one concept is inferred to be similar to another in one respect on the basis of a known relationship (similarity) between them in other respects. (p. 84)

For a long time it has been common practice at the college level to use analogies as a means to evolve and measure the comprehension of the constructs and concepts in students. Analogies are a flexible way to aid the student in becoming familiar with word usage. Nelson (1970) pointed out:

As linguistic entities, facts are often sterile when unrelated to other facts. By placing facts in juxtaposition or contraposition by way of analogy one might have some success in opening a channel for communication with students distributed all along the cognitive spectrum. (p. 83)

The inclusion of analogies in the exercises for following directions would give students daily practice in building their knowledge of key concepts.

Language Skills

In giving strategies for dealing with limited language skills, Peters (1977) suggested the use of key structural words to assist the reader in following transitions from idea to idea. Shepard (1973) has compiled a list of commonly used structural words in the following five categories:
1. Structure words indicating additional ideas
   a. Words pointing to coordinate ideas, adding to the total thought
   b. Words pointing to final or concluding ideas

2. Structure words indicating a change in ideas by reversing, qualifying or modifying ideas already presented

3. Structure words indicating concrete application of a thought

4. Structure words pointing to relationships among and between ideas
   a. Time relationships
   b. Space relationships
   c. Related in degree
   d. Pointing to show emphasis

Shepard's list of words was highly organized and he suggested that the words should never be taught in isolation; rather, they should be incorporated in reading lessons. Including them in the following-directions exercises gave daily practice in language structure.

Reading Skill Competencies

Peters (1977) listed two of the reading skills students need to develop as 1) the ability to compare and contrast ideas, and 2) the ability to make appropriate judgments. In order to compare and contrast, a student must be able to identify similarities and differences. To make judgments, he must be able to determine the validity
of the information. Practice in both of these skills was included in the following-directions exercises.

Cognitive Strategies

According to Peters (1977), an important cognitive strategy that a reader must possess is the ability to perceive organizational structure. Through structure, the reader will be better able to recognize such things as the relationships between ideas or the sequence in which information is presented. In reading and following written directions, the reader is forced to operate in an organized and sequential manner.

Readability of Directions

In writing the directions in the exercises, special attention was given to language structure. Comprehension is directly affected by language structure. In his study of oral language as it relates to comprehension, Ruddell (1964) concluded that

Reading comprehension is a function of the similarity of patterns of language structure in the reading material to oral patterns of language structure used by children. Reading comprehension scores on materials that utilize high frequency patterns of oral language structure are significantly greater than reading comprehension scores on materials that utilize low frequency patterns of oral language structure. (p. 273)

Ruddell went on to show that there is substantial evidence which suggests that children most easily read materials which contain syntactic structures similar to
those which they use in their own speech. Pikulski and Jones (1977) pointed out:

One of the most common syntactic patterns for children in grades one to six is that of: subject, verb, and direct object or complement. Simple declarative or imperative sentences would, therefore, probably be easiest. Another frequent language pattern consists of two clauses joined by a conjunction. It is also helpful to know that the conjunctions AND, HOW, FOR, and AS have been found to be easiest for children to read and comprehend. (p. 599)

Another aid to comprehension related to the readability of directions is the repeated use of the same language patterns. According to Pikulski and Jones, "the redundancy of language results in the same idea being conveyed in several different forms; this increases the probability of its being understood." (p. 599)

Peters (1977) concurred by stating, "The child must use language that he or she is familiar with and be encouraged to rely on the clues inherent in that language." (p. 240)

Syntactic and semantic elements inherent within language structure make it possible for comprehension to occur.

Another factor that influenced readability of directions is numeration. Pikulski and Jones (1977) recommended:

Especially for sequential steps, directions are much easier to follow if they are listed or numbered. In fact, when the directions are numbered, each direction can be read, the action completed, and the step checked off as the child moves through the activity. (p. 601)

The review of related literature indicated that
reading and following written directions is a survival reading skill that should be included in functional reading programs. Classroom teachers should provide systematic practice in this skill; however, there is a scarcity of instructional materials suited to this purpose.
Chapter 3

PROCEDURES OF THE PROJECT

After reviewing the preceding literature, a format was chosen that included the following components:

1. Practice in applying phonetic elements and structural analysis in the context of a reading activity

2. Building comprehension through
   a. development of key concepts through the use of analogies
   b. building language skills by daily use of structural words in the context of a reading activity
   c. building reading skill competencies by comparing and contrasting ideas and making appropriate judgments
   d. teaching cognitive strategies by forcing the student to operate in an organized and sequential manner

These components were used in varying combinations as the student moved through a sequenced step-by-step procedure of changing one word into a completely different word. From four to eight steps were required to execute the changes.

Preparation of the Exercises

The words chosen for the exercises were selected at random from textbooks, vocabulary lists and spelling words.
frequently used in reading classes.

As each exercise was developed, an analysis was made of small words that could be removed. This was followed by a process of eliminating, adding, substituting or moving various consonants and vowels from one position to another until a new word was produced.

Example:

1. ANXIOUS The small word US can be removed to produce
2. ANXIO The X is replaced by a T to produce
3. ANTIO The letter P is added to produce
4. PANTIO The word does not change because the student is required to make a judgment and this time the direction should not be followed
5. PANTIO The letter N is eliminated to make the word
6. PATIO

The final direction is always, "Use your word in a sentence."

After the word-changing process had produced the set of key answers, various comprehension components were selected to be used in writing the directions.

Sample Exercise Including Components Involved

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Direction 1</th>
<th>Answer 1</th>
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<tr>
<td>Print ANXIOUS</td>
<td>(ANXIOUS)</td>
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<table>
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<tr>
<th>Direction 2</th>
<th>Answer 2</th>
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<tr>
<td>If ROTATE means TURN, remove the two-letter word that is the opposite of THEM.</td>
<td>(ANXIO)</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
Component involved:

1. Building comprehension by comparing and contrasting ideas

Direction 3

If UNHAPPY is to SAD as HAPPY is to GLAD, change the second consonant to the letter that comes before U in the alphabet.

Components involved:

1. Building comprehension through the development of key concepts (analogies)
2. Building language skills by use of structural words in the context of a reading activity

Direction 4

If SEARCH means "to look for," put the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet in front of the first vowel.

Components involved:

1. Use of comparing and contrasting skills
2. Use of structural language skills

Direction 5

If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, put an S at the front of your word.

Components involved:

1. Development of key concepts
2. Building language skills by making appropriate judgments

Direction 6

If STARE sounds exactly like STAIR, remove the letter that comes after M in the alphabet.

Components involved:

1. Use of comparing and contrasting skills
2. Use of structural language skills
Components involved:

1. Practice in applying phonetic elements in the context of a reading activity

2. Use of structural language skills

Directions 1 through 6

Component involved:

1. Teaching cognitive strategies by forcing the student to operate in an organized and sequential manner.

Readability

After completion, each direction was given to four children with second, fourth, fifth, and seventh grade reading abilities to check for readability. If during this trial process any of the children could not readily follow any part of the written directions, that section was reworded for clarification.

Classroom Use

As each exercise was completed, it was printed on a 5x7 index card, which was then laminated. A duplicate was then printed on an 8x10 acetate for use on an overhead projector. The index card was for individual student use; the acetate provided group use in the classroom on a daily basis.
Chapter 4

PROJECT

For the purpose of this study, typewritten copies of the following-directions exercises have been included (copyright pending).
No. 1

1. Print BRAINS.

2. If WHEEL is to CAR as LEG is to DOG, remove the first letter.

3. If ALONE is the opposite of TOGETHER, move the last letter to the front of your word.

4. Put a letter between the first two consonants that will make a word that tells you what might happen if you fall and hurt your ankle.

5. Great! Now use your word in a sentence.

No. 2

1. Print SPORTS.

2. If DISTANT means almost the same as FAR, remove the double consonants.

3. Move the first letter to the end of your word.

4. Remove the two-letter word that ends with R and rhymes with MORE.

5. In the middle, put the vowel that says "EYE."

6. Put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet after the letter that comes after S.

7. Great! Use your word in a sentence.
No. 3

1. Print EDUCATE.

2. If HERE is the opposite of THERE, remove the vowel you hear in DUEL.

3. If HUGE is the opposite of TINY, change the third consonant in the alphabet to the eighth letter of the alphabet.

4. If HIGH is to LOW as TALL is to SHORT, remove the first of the identical vowels.

5. Move the first letter to the end of your word.

6. Place the first consonant in front of the final consonant.

7. Take out the first vowel and place it in front of the second consonant.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. EDUCATE
2. EDCATE
3. EHCATE
4. HCATE
5. CATEH
6. ATECH
7. TEACH

No. 4

1. Print GRADUATE.

2. If DRIVE is to CAR as FLY is to PLANE, remove the two vowels that are alike.

3. If PUSH is to PULL as IN is to OUT, remove the last consonant.

4. If WIND is to BLOW as WATER is to FLOW, remove the letter that comes before V.

5. If HATE is the opposite of LOVE, put the first letter of the alphabet between the second and third consonant.

6. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. GRADUATE
2. GRDUTE
3. GRDUE
4. GRDE
5. GRADE
No. 5

1. Print TEMPERATURE.

2. Remove the three-letter word that rhymes with CAT.

3. Remove all the vowels.

4. If OLD is the opposite of YOUNG, move the first letter from the front of your word to the end of your word.

5. Drop the first consonant.

6. Put the little word that means the opposite of OUT between the second and third letters.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. TEMPERATURE

2. TEMPEURE

3. TMPR

4. MPRT

5. PRT

6. PRINT

No. 6

1. Print OVERCAST.

2. If STOVE is to KITCHEN as BED is to BEDROOM, remove the final consonant.

3. Remove the word that means the opposite of UNDER.

4. If CAR is to ROAD as BOAT is to RIVER, put the letter that comes before M in front of the vowel.

5. If FRONT is the opposite of SIDE, put a T at the end of your word.

6. If WORK is the opposite of PLAY, double your final consonant.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. OVERCAST

2. OVERCAS

3. CAS

4. CLAS

5. CLAS

6. CLASS
No. 7
1. Print KINDNESS.
2. If SIDE is the opposite of FRONT, change the vowels to A's.
3. If ABOVE is the opposite of BELOW, change the first vowel to an A.
4. Remove the first and last consonants.
5. If BLACK is the opposite of WHITE, remove the fourth letter.
6. If SICK is the opposite of WELL, remove the fourth letter.
7. If WORK is the opposite of PLAY, move the fourth letter to the front of your word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. KINDNESS
2. KINDNESS
3. KANDNESS
4. ANDNES
5. ANDES
6. ANDS
7. SAND

No. 8
1. Print SLEEPY.
2. If HERE is to THERE as UP is to DOWN, put the first consonant at the end of your word.
3. If HER is the opposite of SHE, remove the vowels.
4. If HE is the opposite of SHE, remove the letter that comes before M.
5. Move the vowels to the end of your word.
6. If HIM is the opposite of HER, remove the letter that comes before Q.
7. Remove one vowel and put the other one between the consonants.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. SLEEPY
2. LEEPYS
3. LEEPYS
4. EEPYS
5. PYSEE
6. YSEE
7. YES
No. 9

1. Print VACATION.

2. Move the first consonant to the end of your word.

3. If WE is the opposite of THEY, remove the three-letter word that rhymes with THAT.

4. Put the third letter of the alphabet between the first two vowels.

5. If HE is the opposite of HIM, double the first consonant.

6. If HE is the opposite of SHE, remove the final consonant.

7. If WE is the opposite of THEY, put the letter that comes after S before the second vowel.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 10

1. Print SOCCER.

2. Remove the identical letters.

3. If STRONG is the opposite of WEAK, put the letter that comes before Q after the first consonant.

4. If BIG is the opposite of LARGE, remove the first consonant.

5. If CURVED is the opposite of STRAIGHT, remove the second vowel.

6. If OPEN is the opposite of SHUT, put a T after the third consonant.

7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 11

1. Print FOOTBALL.
2. If WE is the opposite of YOUR, remove the first consonant.
3. If THEY is the opposite of WE, remove the double consonants.
4. If OVER is the opposite of UNDER, remove the two vowels that are alike.
5. Move the vowel between the first two consonants.
6. If LEFT is the opposite of RIGHT, drop the final consonant.
7. Place the letter that comes before T in front of the final consonant.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. FOOTBALL
2. FOOTBALL
3. FOOTBA
4. FTBA
5. FATB
6. FAT
7. FAST

No. 12

1. Print SEPTEMBER.
2. If MAN is the opposite of MALE, remove the first consonant.
3. If WOMAN is to FEMALE as MAN is to MALE, remove the first consonant.
4. If HERE is to THERE as IN is to OUT, remove the first two vowels.
5. If CAME is the opposite of WENT, drop the letter that comes after O.
6. Put the silent vowel in the word RAIN between the first two consonants.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SEPTEMBER
2. SEPTEMBER
3. EPTEMBER
4. PTMBER
5. TMBER
6. TIMBER
No. 13

1. Print ARTIST.

2. If HIGH is the opposite of TALL, put a W at the end of your word.

3. If LOSE is the opposite of FIND, put a P at the front of your word.

4. Remove the second consonant.

5. Remove the first of the two consonants that are alike.

6. Change the letter that comes before T in your word to the letter that comes after M in the alphabet.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 14

1. Print SECRET.

2. If a dog can bark, put a W at the end of your word.

3. Remove the letter that says "SEE."

4. Remove the two letters that come after R in the alphabet.

5. If SMALL is the opposite of SHORT, remove both of the vowels.

6. If LARGE is the opposite of SMALL, move the last letter to the front of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 15

1. Print GARDEN.

2. If SHUT is the opposite of CLOSE, remove the first consonant.

3. If OVER is the opposite of UNDER, remove the last consonant.

4. Remove the silent vowel in the word MAKE.

5. If CLOSE is the opposite of OPEN, remove the seventh letter of the alphabet.

6. Put the letter that comes after X at the beginning of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. GARDEN
2. GARDEN
3. GARDE
4. GARD
5. ARD
6. YARD

No. 16

1. Print GOODBYE.

2. If RIGHT is the opposite of LEFT, remove the double vowels.

3. Remove the seventh letter of the alphabet.

4. If SHORT is the opposite of SMALL, put a W at the end of your word.

5. Move the first letter to the end of your word.

6. Change the second letter to an I.

7. Replace the second vowel with the letter that comes after Q in the alphabet.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. GOODBYE
2. GDBYE
3. DBYE
4. DBYE
5. BYED
6. BIED
7. BIRD
No. 17.

1. Print STUDENT.

2. If WHITE is to SNOW as GREEN is to GRASS, remove the two consonants that are alike.

3. Replace the first vowel with the vowel you hear in WIDE.

4. Switch the first and last letters.

5. Change the middle letter to the third letter of the alphabet.

6. If GO is the opposite of STOP, remove the final consonant.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. STUDENT

2. SUDEN

3. SIDEN

4. NIDES

5. NICES

6. NICE

No. 18

1. Print WARMER.

2. Remove the first vowel.

3. If KITTEN is to CAT as PUPPY is to DOG, remove the final consonant.

4. If COLD is the opposite of COOL, put a T at the end of your word.

5. If WARM is the opposite of COOL, remove the second consonant.

6. If GIRL is the opposite of BOY, put the letter that comes after S in the alphabet at the end of your word.

7. Remove the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WARMER

2. WRMER

3. WRME

4. WRME

5. WME

6. WMET

7. WET
No. 19

1. Print AUTUMN.
2. Remove the silent consonant.
3. If LIFT is the opposite of LOWER, remove all the vowels.
4. If LOVE is the opposite of LIKE, put a W at the end of your word.
5. If HATE is the opposite of LOVE, put the letter that says "eye" between the consonants.
6. If OVER is to UNDER as TOP is to BOTTOM, put the silent vowel in the word WADE after the final consonant.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. AUTUMN
2. AUTUM
3. TM
4. TM
5. TIM
6. TIME

No. 20

1. Print SUCCESS.
2. If HOT is the opposite of WARM, put the second letter of the alphabet at the end of your word.
3. If COLD is the opposite of HOT, take out the first vowel.
4. Remove the double consonants.
5. Change the first consonant to the letter that comes after Q in the alphabet.
6. If NIGHT is the opposite of DAY, change the fourth letter to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SUCCESS
2. SUCCESS
3. SCESS
4. SESS
5. RESS
6. REST
No. 21

1. Print TEENAGER.
2. Drop the letter that says "TEA".
3. If GREEN is to GRASS as SKY is to BLUE, remove the first vowel.
4. Move the first two letters to the end of your word.
5. Remove the first letter of the alphabet.
6. Now unscramble your letters to get a name for a color.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. TEENAGER
2. EENAGER
3. ENAGER
4. AGEREN
5. GEREN
6. GREEN

No. 22

1. Print FLOWERS.
2. Replace your first letter with the consonant that comes after Q in the alphabet.
3. Switch the L and the R.
4. Take out the middle letter.
5. Replace the fifth letter with double T.
6. Remove the first vowel.
7. Change the last letter to the letter that comes before Z in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. FLOWERS
2. FLOWERS
3. PROWELS
4. PROELS
5. PROETTS
6. PRETTS
7. PRETTY
No. 23
1. Print READING.
2. Remove the first letter of the alphabet.
3. Move the last letter to the front of your word.
4. If OPEN is the opposite of SHUT, remove the first vowel.
5. If OVER is the opposite of UNDER, remove the two-letter word that is the opposite of OUT.
6. Put the first letter of the alphabet between the second and the third consonant.
7. Put the fifth letter of the alphabet at the end of your word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 24
1. Print TRACK.
2. Remove the first letter in the alphabet if SMALL is the opposite of LITTLE.
3. If BIG means about the same as LARGE, remove the letter that says "SEA".
4. Remove the letter that comes after S in the alphabet.
5. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet.
6. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. READING
2. REDING
3. GREDIN
4. GRDIN
5. GRD
6. GRAD
7. GRADE
8. GRADE

Answer Key
1. TRACK
2. TRACK
3. TRAK
4. RAK
5. RAN
6. TRACK
No. 25

1. Print MAY.

2. If UP is the opposite of HIGH, put a T at the end of your word.

3. Move the last letter to the front of your word.

4. If DOWN is the opposite of UP, put the fourth letter of the alphabet at the end of your word.

5. Remove the letter that comes after L in the alphabet.

6. Put the letter that says "ARE" after the vowel.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. MAY

2. MAY

3. YMA

4. YMAD

5. YAD

6. YARD

No. 26

1. Print SADNESS.

2. Remove the consonants that are alike.

3. Move the second letter in front of the first.

4. Put the letter that comes after F in the alphabet between the third and fourth letters.

5. If a rock can talk, put a T at the end of your word.

6. If a balloon can float, put an R at the end of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SADNESS

2. ADNE

3. DANE

4. DANGE

5. DANGE

6. DANGER
### No. 27

1. Print **LEARN**.
2. Move the first letter to the end of your word.
3. Move the first consonant to the front of your word.
4. If **CLEAR** is the opposite of **CLOUDY**, put a **T** at the front of your word.
5. Change the third consonant to the letter that says "**EYE**".
6. Remove the first vowel.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

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### No. 28

1. Print **HAPPY**.
2. If **LONG** is to **SHORT** as **BIG** is to **SMALL**, remove the double consonants.
3. If a dog can drive a car, place an **X** at the end of your word.
4. Put the letter that comes after **O** in the alphabet at the front of your word.
5. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes after **K** in the alphabet.
6. Great! Now use your word in a sentence.

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No. 29

1. Print WINDY.

2. Remove the consonant that says "double you" and in its place put the consonant that says "sea".

3. If birds can jump rope, put a P on the end of your word.

4. Change the second letter to the vowel you hear in the word LAKE.

5. Remove the second consonant.

6. Change the third letter of the alphabet to the second letter of the alphabet.

7. Remove the second consonant.

8. Put the letter that is just like the first letter after the vowel.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WINDY

2. CINDY

3. CINDY

4. CANDY

5. CADY

6. BADY

7. BAY

8. BABY

No. 30

1. Print FRIDAY.

2. Put the vowel you hear in the word BOAT between the first and second consonant.

3. Drop the sixth letter of the alphabet.

4. Remove the letter that comes before Z in the alphabet.

5. Take out the middle vowel if dogs can bark.

6. If UP is the opposite of DOWN, put the third letter at the front of your word.

7. Remove the last vowel.

8. Double the first vowel.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. FRIDAY

2. FORIDAY

3. ORIDAY

4. ORIDA

5. ORDA

6. DORA

7. DOR

8. DOOR
No. 31

1. Print OCTOBER.
   Answer Key 1. OCTOBER
2. If SLOW is to WALK as FAST is to RUN, move the last letter to the front of your word.
   Answer Key 2. ROCTOBE
3. If BLOCK is the opposite of WHITE, remove all the vowels.
   Answer Key 3. ROCTOBE
4. Remove the middle consonant.
   Answer Key 4. ROCOBE
5. If RED is to APPLE as YELLOW is to BANANA, remove the third letter of the alphabet.
   Answer Key 5. ROOBE
6. Remove the first vowel.
   Answer Key 6. ROBE
7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 32

1. Print FREEDOM.
   Answer Key 1. FREEDOM
2. If WORK is the opposite of PLAY, remove the double vowels.
   Answer Key 2. FRDOM
3. If HERE is the opposite of THEIR, remove the vowel.
   Answer Key 3. FRDOM
4. Switch the front and the back consonant.
   Answer Key 4. MRDOF
5. Switch the second consonant and the vowel.
   Answer Key 5. MODRF
6. Drop the middle letter.
   Answer Key 6. MORF
7. Change the consonant that is third to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
   Answer Key 7. MORE
8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 33

1. Print INJURY.
2. If your word has three syllables, remove the last one.
3. If SISTER is to BOTHER as GIRL is to BOY, remove the last letter.
4. If WINTER is to COLD as SUMMER is to WARM, remove the word that is the opposite of OUT.
5. Change the first letter to the seventh letter of the alphabet.
6. Switch the first and last consonants.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 34

1. Print DIFFERENT.
2. If there are two syllables in REMEMBER, remove all the vowels.
3. If there are four syllables in AMERICA, remove the double consonants.
4. If there is only one syllable in the word TONGUE, remove the two vowels that are alike.
5. If HAPPY has only one vowel sound, put an O at the end of your word.
6. If FUNNY has two vowel sounds, remove the third consonant.
7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 35

1. Draw \( \Box \)

2. Place a line from the top corner of the figure to the bottom corner.

3. Draw a line from the left corner to the right corner.

4. Place an \( \times \) in the lower left-hand section.

5. Place a check in the upper right-hand section.

6. Draw a circle around your whole figure.

Answer Key

1. \( \Box \)

No. 36

1. Print GREAT.

2. Remove the seventh letter of the alphabet.

3. Move the first vowel to the end of your word.

4. Take out the two-letter word that rhymes with CAT.

5. Put the letter that comes before \( O \) in the alphabet at the end of your word.

6. If GOOD is to BAD as HOT is to COLD, place the letter that says "TEA" after the second consonant.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. GREAT

2. REAT

3. RATE

4. RE

5. REN

6. RENT
No. 37

1. Print JACK O'LANTERN.
2. Remove the letter that is shaped like a circle.
3. If witches ride brooms, cross out the last three letters.
4. If LEMON is to YELLOW as PUMPKIN is to ORANGE, remove the letter that follows M in the alphabet.
5. If a cat meows, change the L in your word to a C.
6. If Halloween comes once a year, change the word that spells a boy's name so that it will spell the color of a Halloween cat.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. JACK O'LANTERN
2. JACK LANTERN
3. JACK LANT
4. JACK LAT
5. JACK CAT
6. BLACK CAT

No. 38

1. Print PUMPKIN.
2. If OVER is the opposite of UNDER, change all the vowels to O's.
3. If UP is to DOWN as IN is to OUT, remove the final consonant.
4. Move the second vowel and put it behind the first consonant.
5. If PIE rhymes with SKY, remove the second and third consonants.
6. If OWE rhymes with SO, put the consonant at the front of your word that will spell a word that is another name for a GHOST.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. PUMPKIN
2. POMPKON
3. POMPKO
4. POOMPK
5. POOK
6. SPOOK
No. 39

1. Print HALLOWEEN.

2. Remove the two-letter word that spells the opposite of THEY.

3. If HIGH is the opposite of LOW, double the second vowel.

4. Remove the double consonants.

5. Remove the vowels that come before and after the double vowels.

6. Change the eighth letter of the alphabet to an S.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. HALLOWEEN

2. HALLOEN

3. HALLOOEN

4. HAOOEN

5. HOON

6. SOON

No. 40

1. Print WITCHES.

2. If GOOD is to FINE as BAD is to POOR, switch the first and the last letters.

3. Remove the word that is the opposite of STAND.

4. Change the letter that says "SEA" to the letter that says "BEE".

5. If SHUT is the opposite of CLOSE, remove the last letter.

6. Change the eighth letter of the alphabet to the letter that says "ARE".

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WITCHES

2. SITCHEW

3. CHEW

4. BHEW

5. BHEW

6. BREW
No. 41

1. Print TELEPHONE.
2. Remove the word that spells a number that is less than 3.
3. If CAME is the opposite of WENT, remove the first vowel.
4. If WE is the opposite of HE, remove the vowel.
5. If THEY is the opposite of WE, remove the beginning consonant.
6. Move the last letter to the front of your word.
7. Switch the two middle letters.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. TELEPHONE
2. TELEPH
3. TLEPH
4. TLEPH
5. LEPH
6. HLEP
7. HELP

No. 42

1. Print REMIND.
2. If CAR is to DRIVE as PLANE is to FLY, put the sixth letter of the alphabet at the front of your word.
3. Switch the first and second vowels.
4. If NEVER is the opposite of ALWAYS, put
5. If BELOW is the opposite of UNDER, remove the first vowel.
6. If ABOVE is the opposite of BELOW, remove the fourth letter.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. REMIND
2. FREMIND
3. FRIMEND
4. FRIMENDS
5. FRIMENDS
6. FRIENDS
No. 43
1. Print WINDOW.
2. If FOOD is to EAT as WATER is to DRINK, remove the two consonants that are alike.
3. Move the third letter to the front of your word.
4. Double the letter that comes before O in the alphabet.
5. Change the last letter to the vowel you hear in the word FEET.
6. If airplanes can fly, put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet at the end of your word.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. WINDOW
2. INDO
3. DINO
4. DINNO
5. DINNE
6. DINNER

No. 44
1. Print PEARL.
2. If LONG is to SHORT as BIG is to SMALL, remove the first vowel.
3. Remove the consonant that says "PEA" and replace it with the letter that says "SEA".
4. Replace the second consonant with the letter that comes after M in the alphabet.
5. Put the letter that comes before Z in the alphabet at the end of your word.
6. If kittens purr, change the third consonant to the fourth letter of the alphabet.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. PEARL
2. PARL
3. CARL
4. CANL
5. CANLY
6. CANDY
No. 45

1. Print RAINING.

2. Put the letter that comes before T in the alphabet at the front of your word.

3. Put the two-letter word that means the opposite of YES between the first two consonants.

4. At the front of your word, put the letter that says "double you."

5. Take out the four-letter word that means water drops from the sky.

6. Remove the first letter and put it between the two vowels.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. RAINING
2. SRAINING
3. SNORAINING
4. WSNORAINING
5. WSNOSTRAINING
6. SNOWING

No. 46

1. Print STUDENT.

2. If TALL is to SHORT as BLACK is to WHITE, remove the two consonants that are alike.

3. Change the first vowel to the first letter in the alphabet.

4. Remove the three-letter word that means the opposite of HAPPY.

5. Put the letter that comes after V in the alphabet at the front of your word.

6. At the end of your word put a T.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. STUDENT
2. SUDEN
3. SADEN
4. EN
5. WEN
6. WENT
No. 47

1. Print MOTHER.
2. Replace the first consonant with the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
3. Remove the letter that says "ARE".
4. If BIRD is to AIR as FISH is to WATER, take out the middle letter.
5. If cats can drive cars, add an X to your word.
6. Remove the second consonant.
7. If rabbits can hop, put the letter that comes before W in the alphabet between the two vowels.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 48

1. Print VACATION.
2. Remove the three-letter word that means a grown-up kitten.
3. If BANANA is to YELLOW as APPLE is to RED, remove the first consonant.
4. If FAR is the opposite of DISTANT, remove the final consonant.
5. Put the sixth letter of the alphabet at the front of your word.
6. If HEAVY is the opposite of LIGHT, remove all the vowels.
7. Put the letter that comes before V in the alphabet in the middle of your word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 49

1. Print GLEN.
2. Double the second consonant.
3. If a dinosaur is huge, replace the first letter with the sixth letter of the alphabet.
4. If DAY is to LIGHT as NIGHT is to DARK, put the first letter of the alphabet between the first and second consonants.
5. Remove the second vowel.
6. Drop the letter that comes before O in the alphabet.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. GLEN
2. GLLEN
3. FLLEN
4. FALLEN
5. FALLN
6. FALL

No. 50

1. Print NANETTE.
2. If water is wet, remove the first consonant in your word.
3. Remove the first vowel.
4. Move the first consonant to the end of the word.
5. If three and four make seven, put the letter that says "KAY" at the front of your word.
6. If five and four make eight, add a P.
7. Now change the first vowel to the vowel that says "EYE".
8. Now use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. NANETTE
2. ANETTE
3. NETTE
4. ETTEN
5. KETTEN
6. KETTEN
7. KITTEN
No. 51

1. Print TURKEY.

2. If SUN is to YELLOW as SKY is to BLUE, move the T at the front of your word to the end of your word.

3. If BEARS live in the woods, change the first vowel to the vowel you hear in WAIST and place it behind the vowel you hear in TREAT.

4. Remove the first two letters from your word and place the fourth consonant in the alphabet at the front of your word.

5. If THUMB is to WRIST as FOOT is to ANKLE, change the consonant that can also be a vowel to the letter that says SEA.

6. If ARM is to HAND as LEG is to FOOT, change the letter that sounds like WHY to an S.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. TURKEY
2. URKEYT
3. RKEAYT
4. FEAYT
5. FEAYT
6. FEAST

No. 52

1. Print MAYFLOWER.

2. If PUMPKIN is to PIE as CRANBERRY is to JELLY change the first letter in your word to the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet.

3. Remove the first letter of the alphabet from your word and put the letter that is silent in CALM in its place.

4. If Thanksgiving is a time for "trick or treat", change the first letter to an O.

5. Remove the part of your word that rhymes with TOWER.

6. To the end of your word, add the part of our body that we will use to eat Thanksgiving dinner.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. MAYFLOWER
2. PAYFLOWER
3. PLYFLOWER
4. PLYFLOWER
5. PLY
6. PLYMOUTH
No. 53

1. Print KENNETH.
2. Remove the double consonants.
3. If BIRD is to CAGE as FISH is to BOWL, replace the first consonant with the letter that says "JAY".
4. If SAD is to CRY as HAPPY is to LAUGH, replace the last consonant with the letter that says "PEA".
5. Take out the second and third letters.
6. Change the middle letter to the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.
7. Put the vowel that says "YOU" between the first and second consonant.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

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1. Print PATRICIA.
2. Change the first vowel to the letter that comes before S in the alphabet.
3. If SUGAR is to SWEET as LEMON is to SOUR, remove the three vowels.
4. Change the consonant that says "SEA" to the letter that says "WHY".
5. Put the silent vowel in the word TAKE after the second consonant.
6. Change the fifth letter to the letter that comes after S in the alphabet.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

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1. Print GREG.
2. Drop the first and the last consonant.
3. Put the letter that comes before M in the alphabet after the vowel.
4. Double the final consonant.
5. If COLD is the opposite of COOL, change the R to a W.
6. If HOT is the opposite of COLD, put the letter that comes before T in the alphabet at the front of your word.
7. Change the second consonant to the letter that says "double you."
8. Good! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. GREG
2. RE
3. REL
4. RELL
5. RELL
6. SRELL
7. SWELL

No. 56
1. Print BOWLING.
2. Drop the three-letter ending from your word.
3. Change the B in your word to the first letter of the alphabet.
4. Take out the two letters that are in the middle.
5. Double the consonant.
6. To the end of your word add the first two letters in the word "EYELASH."
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. BOWLING
2. BOWL
3. AOWL
4. AL
5. ALL
6. ALLEY
No. 57

1. Print AUTO

2. If apples are fruit, change the first vowel in your word to the fourth letter of the alphabet.

3. Remove the fourth letter in your word and replace it with the silent letter in ATE.

4. Change the first vowel to the letter that comes before S in the alphabet.

5. Place the letter that sounds like "eye" between the second and third consonants in your word.

6. Change the T in your word to the consonant that follows it in the alphabet.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 58

1. Print HOLIDAY

2. Remove the part of your word that means the opposite of NIGHT.

3. Change the second vowel in your word to the letter that comes before T in the alphabet.

4. To the end of your word add the two-letter word that means the opposite of "OFF."

5. If fish can write, remove the first letter.

6. Change the part of your word that sounds like "HALL" to a three-letter word that means "OCEAN."

7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 59
1. Draw a square.

2. Draw a line from the upper left-hand corner to the lower right-hand corner.

3. Put a black dot in the upper right-hand corner.

4. Draw a ring around the outside of the square.

5. Put a black dot inside the ring but outside of the square.

6. Now place a dot outside the ring on the right side.

No. 60
1. Draw a square.

2. Draw another one the same size beside it.

3. Draw a circle in the first square.

4. Put an X in the other square.

5. Draw a ring around both squares.

6. Place three dots on the right edge of the ring.

7. Put a check on the left edge of the ring.
No. 61

1. Print CHRISTMAS.

2. If BELOW is the opposite of ABOVE, remove the two consonants that are alike.

3. If HUGE is to SMALL as BIG is to TINY, remove the letter that says "ARE." 

4. Remove the eighth letter in the alphabet.

5. If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, remove all of the vowels.

6. Change the second vowel to the vowel that you hear in the word REAL.

7. Remove the first letter and move the letter that says "TEA" to the front of your word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. CHRISTMAS

2. CHRITMA

3. CHITMA

4. CITMA

5. CITMA

6. CITME

7. TIME

No. 62

1. Print STOCKING.

2. If COLD is to HOT as UP is to DOWN, remove the word that means "the husband of the queen."

3. If BENEATH is the opposite of UNDER, remove the vowel.

4. Change the third letter of the alphabet to the letter that comes after X in the alphabet.

5. If TELEPHONE has four syllables, remove the first letter.

6. If AUDITORIUM has five syllables, move the first letter to the end of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. STOCKING

2. STOC

3. STOC

4. STOY

5. STOY

6. TOYS
No. 63

1. Print HOLLY.
2. If HAND is to ARM as FOOT is to LEG, remove the double consonants.
3. If CROW is to FLY as WHALE is to SWIM, put the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet after the vowel.
4. If SNOW is to WHITE as GRASS is to GREEN, change the first vowel to the first letter of the alphabet.
5. If THEIR is the opposite of HERE, remove the first letter.
6. If Christmas comes but once a year, double the second consonant.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 64

1. Print REINDEER.
2. If PRESENT is "something to give" and also means "to give something," remove the vowels that are alike.
3. If a dog has whiskers, remove the letter that is behind the D.
4. If a chicken is covered with hair, remove the vowel.
5. Put the letter that comes after J in the alphabet at the end of your word.
6. Unscramble your word to make a word that tells what eggnog is.
7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 65

1. Print MISTLETOE

2. If BIG is to LARGE as SMALL is to TINY, remove the two vowels that are alike.

3. Remove the vowel you hear in the word GOAL.

4. If ABOVE is to UP as BELOW is to DOWN, remove the consonants that are alike.

5. Change the letter that comes before N in the alphabet to the letter that comes before J.

6. Change the ninth letter of the alphabet to the eleventh letter of the alphabet.

7. Change the final letter to the letter that comes after in the alphabet.

8. Change one of your letters into a vowel to make a word that tells what you do under mistletoe.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. MISTLETOE

2. MISTLTO

3. MISTLT

4. MISTR

5. IISL

6. KKSIL

7. KKSS

8. KISS

No. 66

1. Print CHAMPION

2. Remove the three-letter word that tells what you get from a pig.

3. Double the third consonant.

4. Put the silent vowel in the word FAKE after the fourth consonant.

5. Remove the two letters that follow N in the alphabet.

6. Change the third letter of the alphabet to the silent letter in WRING.

7. If OVER means about the same as ACROSS, put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet after the second vowel.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. CHAMPION

2. CPION

3. CPIONN

4. CPIONNE

5. CINNE

6. WINNE

7. WINNER
No. 67

1. Print JANUARY.

2. If JANUARY has four syllables, drop the last vowel.

3. Double the third consonant.

4. Remove the first vowel.

5. Take off the first consonant and the first vowel.

6. If ROTATE is the same as TURN, put the two letters that make the same sound as OU in SHOUT at the end of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. JANUARY

2. JANUAR

3. JANUARR

4. JNUARR

5. NARR

6. NARROW

No. 68

1. Print TREMENDOUS.

2. Remove the four-letter word that means the opposite of BREAK.

3. Change the letter that comes after S in the alphabet to the letter that comes after F.

4. Add the three-letter word that means the opposite of SLIM to the end of your word.

5. Remove the word that means the opposite of THEM.

6. Remove the two-letter word that rhymes with GLOVE.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. TREMENDOUS

2. TREOUS

3. GREOUS

4. GREOUSFAT

5. GREOFAT

6. GREAT
No. 69

1. Print ENORMOUS.
2. Remove the word that means the opposite of YES.
3. Remove the word that means about the same as WE.
4. Replace the second vowel with the seventh letter of the alphabet.
5. Move the first letter to the end of your word and in its place put the first letter of the alphabet.
6. Remove the middle letter.
7. Put the twelfth letter of the alphabet in front of the first vowel.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ENORMOUS
2. ERMOUS
3. ERMO
4. ERMG
5. ARMGE
6. ARGE
7. LARGE

No. 70

1. Print GLORIOUS.
2. If GLORIOUS has three syllables, remove the two identical vowels.
3. Remove the first letter you hear in the word WRITE.
4. Put the first letter of the alphabet in front of the first vowel.
5. Replace the second vowel with the fourth letter of the alphabet.
6. Remove the word that means the opposite of THEM.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. GLORIOUS
2. GLRIUS
3. GLIUS
4. GLAIUS
5. GLADUS
6. ARGE
7. LARGE
No. 71

1. Print HUDTLOFF.
2. If rabbits have tails, take out the D.
3. If UP is the opposite of DOWN, put an M between the two identical letters that come after E in the alphabet.
4. If HOT is to COLD as COME is to GO, put an E after the second F.
5. Take out the second and third letters in the three-letter word that means "a small, roughly built house."
6. If TALL is to SHORT as GOOD is to BAD, take out the first of the two letters that are the same.
7. Take out the letter that is before M in the alphabet.
8. Take out the second letter from the end.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 72

1. Print LIFE.
2. If DAY is to SUN as NIGHT is to MOON, put the letter that comes after U in the alphabet at the end of your word.
3. Take out the letter that says "EYE."
4. If SHOE is to FOOT as GLOVE is to HAND, put the one vowel you hear in the word "BOAT" between the first two consonants.
5. Take out the middle consonant.
6. Put the fourth letter in front of the third letter.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. HUDTLOFF
2. HUTLOFF
3. HUTLOFMFE
4. HUTLOFMFE
5. HLOFMFE
6. HLOMFE
7. HOMFE
8. HOME
9. HOME

Answer Key

1. LIFE
2. LIFEV
3. LFEV
4. LOFEV
5. LOEV
6. LOVE
No. 73

1. Print DIRECTIONS.
2. If MAN is to WOMAN as BOY is to GIRL, take out the letter that comes after S in the alphabet.
3. Take out the second letter and the last letter.
4. If birds can drive a car, add a P. If they can't drive a car, put a K on the end of your word.
5. Remove the first vowel.
6. Remove the third consonant.
7. If WIND is to BLOW as FIRE is to BURN, remove the O.
8. If cats can ride bikes, put an R on the end.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 74

1. Draw a circle.
2. Draw a square around the outside of your circle.
3. Place a small dot in the lower right corner of the square.
4. Place a check in the upper left corner of the square.
5. Put an X in the center of the circle.
No. 75

1. Print HAPPINESS.

2. Put the letter that comes after R in the alphabet at the front of the word.

3. If COW is to CALF as DOG is to PUPPY, replace the first double consonants with one letter R.

4. Put the seventh letter of the alphabet in back of the third vowel.

5. Take out the three consonants that are the same.

6. Remove the silent vowel found in the word LATE.

7. Put the letter that says "sea" at the front of the word.

8. Remove the second consonant.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. HAPPINESS

2. SHAPPINESS

3. SHARINESS

4. SHARINEGSS

5. HARINEG

6. HARING

7. CHARING

8. CARING

No. 76

1. Print WASHINGTON.

2. If COLD is to CHILLY as HOT is to WARM, take out the two-letter word at the end.

3. Take out the first vowel.

4. Take out every other letter starting with the S.

5. Put the vowel that sounds like "eye" between the second and third letters.

6. Take out the third consonant.

7. Put the silent vowel in the word LIKE at the end of your word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WASHINGTON

2. WASHINGT

3. WSHINGT

4. WHNT

5. WHINT

6. WHIT

7. WHITE
No. 77

1. Print ELEPHANT.
2. Remove the two vowels that are alike.
4. If NOISY is the opposite of QUIET, put an S at the end of your word.
5. Remove the third consonant.
6. Good! Now use your word in a sentence.

No. 78

1. Print TUESDAY.
2. Remove the first vowel.
3. Remove the three-letter word that is the opposite of NIGHT.
4. Put the letter that comes after O in the alphabet at the end of your word.
5. Put the letter exactly like the second consonant at the front of your word.
6. Move the third consonant to the end of your word.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ELEPHANT
2. LPHANT
3. PLHANT
4. PLHANTS
5. PLANTS

Answer Key

1. TUESDAY
2. TESDAY
3. TES
4. TESP
5. STESP
6. STEPS
No. 79

1. Draw a square.

2. Draw a line from the upper left corner to the lower right corner.

3. Shade or color the top section.

4. On the lower left corner of the square, put an X.

5. On the upper right corner put the letter A.

6. Draw a line between the X and the A.

No. 80

1. Print KEITH.

2. Remove the first vowel.

3. If HOT is to WARM as COLD is to COOL, put the first letter at the end of your word.

4. If an ant is large, put a W on the end of your word.

5. Move the vowel and put it between the last two consonants.

6. Put the letter that comes after M in the alphabet after the vowel.

7. Good! Now use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. KEITH

2. KITH

3. ITHK

4. ITTHK

5. THIK

6. THINK
No. 81

1. Print RIDICULOUS.
2. Remove the two-letter word that is the opposite of THEM.
3. If OVER is the opposite of UNDER, remove the vowels that are alike.
4. Drop the letter that says "ARE."
5. If ALONE is the opposite of TOGETHER, move the first letter to the end of your word.
6. If you hear only one vowel in BOAT, switch the two vowels in your word.
7. If you hear three syllables in the word TERRIBLE, reverse the second and third letters.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 82

1. Print WONDERFUL
2. If WONDERFUL has as many syllables as it has vowels, remove the word that is the opposite of LOST.
3. If UP is to DOWN as INSIDE is to OUT, remove the silent vowel in the word RAKE.
4. If ALONE is the opposite of TOGETHER, remove the sixth letter of the alphabet.
5. Move the second consonant and put it behind the third consonant.
6. Change the third consonant to the same letter as the second consonant.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. RIDICULOUS
2. RIDICULO
3. RDCULO
4. DCULO
5. CULOD
6. COLUD
7. CLOUD

1. WONDERFUL
2. DERFUL
3. DRFUL
4. DRUL
5. DULR
6. DULL
7. DULL
No. 83

1. Print VICTORY.

2. If the Y sound rhymes with ME, remove the two-letter word that means the opposite of FROM.

3. If the Y in the word CRY rhymes with LIE, remove the consonant that comes after T in the alphabet.

4. If the Y in the word TRY makes the same vowel sound as in the word FAIRY, put a T at the front of your word.

5. If FERRY and HAIRY rhyme, remove the second consonant.

6. Change the Y to the vowel that it sounds like in the word ICY.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 84

1. Print MAGICIAN.

2. Remove the three letters that spell the opposite of CAN'T.

3. If DARK is to LIGHT as DIM is to BRIGHT, move the first consonant to the end of your word.

4. Change the second vowel to the same letter as the first vowel.

5. If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, put a T at the end of your word.

6. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.

&. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 85

1. Print CELEBRATE.

2. If DARK is to DULL as LIGHT is to BRIGHT, change the third letter of the alphabet to the letter that comes after Q in the alphabet.

3. If ELEPHANT has three syllables, remove all the vowels that are alike.

4. Remove the twelfth and the second letters of the alphabet.

5. Add the letter of the alphabet that can be a consonant and sometimes a vowel to the end of your word.

6. Switch the second consonant with the first vowel.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 86

1. Print DISCOVERY.

2. Remove the word that is the opposite of UNDER.

3. If SHORT is to TALL as HOT is to COLD, change the third letter of the alphabet to the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet.

4. Change the consonant that sometimes sounds like EYE or E to the sixth letter of the alphabet.

5. Switch the beginning and the ending consonants.

6. Switch the second and the third consonants.

7. If ICE is to FREEZE as FIRE is to BURN, move the third consonant behind the fourth consonant.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

No. 85

1. CELEBRATE

2. PELEBRATE

3. PLBRAT

4. PRAT

5. PRATY

6. PARTY

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 86

1. DISCOVERY

2. DISCY

3. DISNY

4. DISNF

5. FISND

6. FINSD

7. FINDS

8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 87

1. Print EXPLAIN.

2. If WE is the opposite of THEY, remove the word that is the opposite of OUT.

3. If DOG is to PUPPY as CAT is to KITTEN, switch the first and last vowels.

4. If DISCOVERY has four syllables, put the letter that comes after R in the alphabet before the first vowel.

5. If OPENING has two syllables, change the first consonant to a W.

6. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes after L in the alphabet.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. EXPLAIN

2. EXPLA

3. AXPLE

4. SAXPLE

5. SAXPLE

6. SAMPLE

No. 88

1. Draw a ◆

2. Draw a line from the top corner to the bottom corner.

3. Place a small circle in the right half.

4. Place an X in the left half.

5. Draw a ring around the outside of the diamond.

6. Place a box around the figure

7. Put an X in the lower right-hand corner inside the box but outside the circle.
No. 89

1. Print ARGUMENT.
2. Remove the three-letter word that spells something you can chew.
3. If SOME rhymes with THUMB, switch the first vowel and the third consonant.
4. Change the first vowel in the alphabet to the third consonant in the alphabet.
5. If GREAT is the opposite of SMALL, put the letter that says "EYE" before the vowel.
6. If BIG is to GREAT as SMALL is to TINY, change the first letter to the letter that PH stands for in the word PHONE.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 90

1. Print EXCITEMENT.
2. If THOUGH rhymes with SNOW, remove the word that is the opposite of WOMEN.
3. Remove the consonant that can sound like an S or a K.
4. If GREAT sounds exactly like GRATE, remove the letter that comes after W in the alphabet.
5. If TRED rhymes with READ, remove the vowels that are alike.
6. Change the last of the double consonants to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
7. Move the last letter in front of the vowel.
8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 91

1. Print POSSIBLE.

2. If WATER is to FLOW as CLOUD is to DRIFT, remove the two consonants that are alike.

3. If OVER is to UNDER as UP is to DOWN, remove the two vowels that make the same sound as OY in the word ENJOY.

4. If WE is the opposite of US, put a W in front of the vowel.

5. If THEM is the opposite of US, put another vowel exactly like the one in your word between the first and second consonants.

6. Double the middle letter.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. POSSIBLE

2. POIBLE

3. PBLE

4. PBLE

5. PEBLE

6. PEBBLE

No. 92

1. Print ANXIOUS.

2. If ROTATE means to TURN, remove the two-letter word that is the opposite of THEM.

3. If UNHAPPY is to SAD as HAPPY is to GLAD, change the second consonant to the letter that comes before U in the alphabet.

4. If SEARCH means "to look for," put the letter that comes before Q in front of the first vowel.

5. If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, put an S at the front of your word.

6. If STARE sounds exactly like STAIR, remove the letter that comes after M in the alphabet.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ANXIOUS

2. ANXIO

3. ANTIO

4. PANTIO

5. PANTIO

6. PATIO
No. 93

1. Print NEIGHBOR.

2. If UP is to DOWN as NONE is to ALL, remove the two consonants that come after F in the alphabet.

3. Remove the silent vowel in the word FLAKE.

4. If OVER is to UNDER as WARM is to HOT, put an S after the last consonant.

5. If a tree has bark, remove the silent vowel in the word STRAIN.

6. If SHARK, BARK, DARK and STARK are all words that rhyme, move the first consonant and place it behind the last consonant.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 94

1. Print PLEASURE.

2. If BALL is to ROUND as BOX is to SQUARE, remove the vowels that are alike.

3. If HAIR, BEAR and STARE are words that rhyme, remove the letters that come before and after Q in the alphabet.

4. Before the first consonant, put the letter that PH sounds like in the word PHONE.

5. Remove the middle letter.

6. If GLOVE is to HAND as ENVELOPE is to LETTER, remove the two middle consonants.

7. After the vowel, put the letter that comes before O in the alphabet.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

No. 93
1. NEIGHBOR
2. NEIBOR
3. NIBOR
4. NIBOR
5. NBOR
6. BORN

No. 94
1. PLEASURE
2. PLASUR
3. LASU
4. FLASU
5. FLSU
6. FU
7. FUN
No. 95

1. Print SEVERAL.

2. If OPEN is to CLOSE as PUSH is to PULL, remove the first two vowels that are alike.

3. Change the letter that comes before M in the alphabet to the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.

4. Remove the consonant that C sounds like in CELERY.

5. Change the first consonant to the consonant that sounds like "EYE" or E when it is the last letter in a word.

6. Change the letter that says "ARE" to the letter that comes before O in the alphabet.

7. Reverse your whole word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SEVERAL
2. SVRAL
3. SVRAM
4. VRAM
5. YRAM
6. YNAM
7. MANY

No. 96

1. Print PRESIDENT

2. Remove the three-letter word that names a home for wild animals.

3. Change the first letter into the consonant that makes the sound of K in the word CANDY.

4. Double the second consonant.

5. Change the second vowel to the first vowel in the alphabet.

6. Move the last vowel and put it between the C and the double consonants.

7. Drop the letter that C sounds like in the word CENTER.

8. Switch the third and fourth consonants.

Answer Key

1. PRESIDENT
2. PRESIT
3. CRESIT
4. CRRESIT
5. CRRESAT
6. CARREST
7. CARRET
8. CARTER
No. 97

1. Print UNDERSTAND.

2. Remove the last five letters and replace them with the three letters that spell an opposite word.

3. Remove the first five letters and replace them with a word that means the opposite.

4. Remove the silent vowel in the word BRAIN.

5. Move the fourth consonant and place it at the beginning of your word.

6. If BARK can be a NOISE and also a COVERING, remove the third consonant.

7. Move the final consonant to the start of your word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. UNDERSTAND

2. UNDERSIT

3. OVERSIT

4. OVERST

5. TOVERS

6. TOVES

7. STOVE

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No. 98

1. Print TELEVISION.

2. If HERE is the opposite of THERE, remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.

3. Change the letter that comes after S in the alphabet to the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.

4. Change the first vowel to the vowel you hear in the word TOAD.

5. If LOAD rhymes with CODE, switch the second and third consonants.

6. Drop the consonant that follows the second vowel.

7. Move one of the two vowels that are alike and put it in front of the second vowel. Then drop the other vowel that is identical to it.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. TELEVISION

2. TELEVISI

3. MELEVISI

4. MOLEVISI

5. MOVELISI

6. MOVEISI

7. MOVIES
No. 99

1. Print MEMORY.
2. Remove the word that means the opposite of YOU.
3. If CREEP rhymes with LEAP, change the thirteenth letter of the alphabet to the sixth letter of the alphabet.
4. Change the consonant that sometimes makes a vowel sound to the vowel that you hear in SEAT.
5. If WE is to THEY as ME is to YOU, place a T after the second vowel.
6. If FOUR, FORE and FOR all sound exactly alike, place the seventh letter of the alphabet between the second consonant and the second vowel.
7. Use your word in a sentence.
8. Terrific!

Answer Key

1. MEMORY
2. MORY
3. FORY
4. FORE
5. FORET
6. FORGET

No. 100

1. Print WEATHER.
2. Remove the word that means the opposite of HIM.
3. If PULL is to PUSH as OVER is to UNDER, change the silent letter in WRING to the letter you hear instead.
4. If ELEPHANT is to ENORMOUS as ANT is to TINY, put the letter that comes before O in the alphabet after the second consonant.
5. Put the second vowel in the alphabet in the garbage, not in your word.
6. Change your second consonant into the third vowel in the alphabet.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WEATHER
2. WEAT
3. REAT
4. REATN
5. RATN
6. RAIN
No. 101

1. Print WINDY.

2. If MILK is to COW as EGG is to CHICKEN, change the final letter into the vowel that it sounds like in WINDY.

3. If OLD is to NEW as OVER is to UNDER, change the first consonant to the eleventh letter of the alphabet.

4. If MONDAY is to TUESDAY as SPRING is to SUMMER, put an S after the second vowel.

5. Remove the word that means the opposite of OUT.

6. If PALE, FAIL, SALE and TRAIL are all words that rhyme, change the fourth letter of the alphabet to the letter that comes before U in the alphabet.

7. Between the first two consonants, put the vowel that is silent in the word SAIL.

8. Great! Use your word in a sentence.

No. 102

1. Print MONSTROUS.

2. Remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.

3. If SINK is to KITCHEN as BED is to BEDROOM, remove the first vowel.

4. If BIG is to TALL as SMALL is to SHORT, remove the word that is the opposite of THEM.

5. Remove the letter that comes ahead of S in the alphabet.

6. Place the vowel you hear in the word FLOAT in front of the letter that comes after R in the alphabet.

Answer Key

1. WINDY

2. WINDE

3. KINDE

4. KINDES

5. KDES

6. KTES

7. KITES

8. Great! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. MONSTROUS

2. MSTROUS

3. MSTRUS

4. MSTR

5. MST

6. MOST
No. 103

1. Print CONCENTRATION.

2. If your word has the same number of syllables as TELEVISION, remove the four-letter word that tells you what a penny is worth.

3. If SHUN makes the same sound as -TION, remove the word that names what a cat might catch.

4. Remove the first of the two consonants that are alike.

5. If OPEN is to SHUT as HIGH is to UP, remove the first consonant.

6. If HIGH is to LOW as OVER is to UNDER, remove the last of the two vowels that are alike.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 104

1. Print INFORMATION.

2. Remove the word that is the opposite of AGAINST.

3. Remove the word that is the opposite of PA.

4. If water can fall, remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.

5. If rain can freeze, remove the word that is the opposite of OUT.

6. If ice can thaw, add two of the twelfth letter of the alphabet to the end of your word.

7. Change your vowel to the fifth letter of the alphabet.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

No. 103

1. CONCENTRATION

2. CONRATION

3. CONION

4. COION

5. COION

6. COIN

7. TELL

No. 104

1. INFORMATION

2. INMATION

3. INTION

4. INTI

5. TI

6. TILL

7. TELL
No. 105

1. Print LAKEWOOD.
2. If DAY is to NIGHT as WHITE is to BLACK, remove the word that rhymes with WOULD.
3. If WOOD rhymes with COULD, put the second consonant in the alphabet at the front of your word.
4. If SHOULD rhymes with GOOD, put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet after the second vowel.
5. If ALL is the opposite of NONE, switch the vowels.
6. If FOOD rhymes with WOULD, place a T at the end of your word.
7. Remove the third consonant.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. LAKEWOOD
2. LAKE
3. CLAKE
4. CLAKER
5. CLEKAR
6. CLEKAR
7. CLEAR

No. 106

1. Print CHOCOLATE.
2. If CHOCOLATE has more vowels than syllables, remove the word that is the opposite of EARLY.
3. If TOMORROW is the opposite of YESTERDAY, change the second vowel to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
4. Change the third consonant to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
5. Drop the second consonant.
6. If WE is the opposite of THEY, place the letter that will say E or EYE when it comes at the end of a word behind the third consonant.
7. Change your vowel to the silent vowel in the word BEAD.
8. Switch the second and third consonants.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. CHOCOLATE
2. CHOCO
3. CHOCN
4. CHODN
5. CODN
6. CODNY
7. CADNY
8. CANDY
No. 107

1. Print REVENGE.
2. If FIND is the opposite of LOSE, remove the middle vowel.
3. If BACK is to FRONT as BOTTOM is to TOP, change the first vowel to the silent vowel in TRAIL.
4. If NORTHERN is to SOUTHERN as EASTERN is to WESTERN, drop the fourth consonant.
5. Put the same consonant on the end of your word that is at the beginning of your word.
6. If GIRL is to BOY as SISTER is to BOTHER, add a T to the end of your word.
7. If NORTH is to UP as SOUTH is to DOWN, remove the consonant that comes before the second vowel.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. REVENGE
2. REVNGE
3. RIVNGE
4. RIVNE
5. RIVNER
6. RIVNER
7. RIVER

No. 108

1. Print FAILURE.
2. If your word has twice as many vowels as it has syllables, remove the middle letter.
3. Change the letter that PH sounds like in PHOTO into the letter that is silent in ISLAND.
4. If BOTHER rhymes with FATHER, add two of your first letter to the end of your word.
5. Remove the two vowels that together sound like AY.
6. If BROTHER rhymes with MOTHER, change the second consonant to the second consonant in the alphabet.
7. Double the consonant that you just added to your word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. FAILURE
2. FAIURE
3. SAIURE
4. SAIURESS
5. SURESS
6. SUCRESS
7. SUCCESS
No. 109

1. Print WASHINGTON.
2. Remove the word that is the opposite of FROM.
3. If OPEN is to SHUT as TOMORROW is to YESTERDAY, remove the word that means the opposite of OUT.
4. Change the vowel to the vowel you hear in the word THROAT.
5. Drop the first and the last consonants.
6. If HALT is the opposite of GO, move the second consonant and place it ahead of the vowel.
7. Change the seventh letter of the alphabet to the silent vowel in the word BRAKE.
8. Change the letter that sometimes sounds like Z to the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. WASHINGTON
2. WASHGN
3. WASHGN
4. WOSHGN
5. OSHG
6. HOSG
7. HOSE
8. HOME

No. 110

1. Print ORCHESTRA.
2. Remove the word that is the opposite of SHE.
3. Change the first vowel in the alphabet to the seventh letter of the alphabet.
4. Remove the vowel you hear in the word GLOAT.
5. If ON is to OFF as IN is to OUT, remove the second consonant in the alphabet.
6. Between the fourth and fifth consonants put the word that is the opposite of OUT.
7. Remove the first consonant you hear in the word WRITE.
8. If WATER can run, drip and flow, put another letter just like the first on the end of your word.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ORCHESTRA
2. ORCSTRA
3. ORCSTRG
4. RCSTRG
5. RSTRG
6. RSTRING
7. STRING
8. STRINGS
No. 111

1. Print SECRETARY.

2. If BIRD is to NEST as COW is to BARN, remove the two vowels that are silent in the word SLEEVE.

3. If CAR is to ROAD as TRAIN is to TRACK, remove the first consonant you hear in the word WRITE.

4. If RUSH is to FAST as CRAWL is to SLOW, remove the first consonant you hear in WRING.

5. If OVER is to UNDER as UP is to DOWN, place the letter that comes before T in the alphabet at the end of your word.

6. Remove the letter that sounds like K in the word CARROT.

7. Drop the letter that comes between the first consonant and vowel.

8. Great! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SECRETARY

2. SCRTARY

3. SCTARY

4. SCTAY

5. SCTAYS

6. STAYS

7. SAYS

8. HAPPY

No. 112

1. Print SATISFY.

2. If your word has three syllables, change the two identical letters to letters that say "PEA."

3. Change the second vowel to the eighth letter of the alphabet.

4. If GROW rhymes with SEW, remove the second consonant.

5. If BOY is to HE as BOX is to IT, remove the consonant that sounds like PH in PHONE.

6. If HIGH is to LOW as TALL is to SHORT, move the first letter and put it next to the letter that is just like it.

7. Unscramble your word to make a word that means the opposite of WOEFUL.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SATISFY

2. PATIPFY

3. PATHPFY

4. PAHPFY

5. PAHPY

6. AHPPY

7. HAPPY
No. 113
1. Print SPECIAL.
2. If WINDOW is to HOUSE as WHEEL is to CAR, remove the silent vowel in the word ROTATE.
3. If FOOT is to TOE as HAND is to THUMB, change the second vowel to the letter that can be both a vowel and a consonant.
4. If ALONE is the opposite of TOGETHER, change the silent vowel in PAIN to the silent vowel in YOU.
5. Remove the letter that sounds like an S and a K.
6. Drop the beginning and the ending consonant.
7. Switch the letters on both sides of the vowel.
8. If PRESENT is the opposite of ABSENT, change the second consonant to the letter that is the vowel sound in SUIT.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 114
1. Print EXCELLENT.
2. Remove the four-letter word that means "a small room."
3. If HOT is to WARM as COLD is to COOL, add the consonant that sounds like J in GINGER to the front of your word.
4. If EXCELLENT has the same number of vowels as it has syllables, change the first vowel to the consonant you first hear in WRONG.
5. If CALM is the opposite of EXCITED, remove the consonant that follows the vowel.
6. Switch the vowel and the consonant that comes before it.
7. Change the third consonant to the vowel that you hear in BAIT.
8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 115

1. Print BASKETBALL.

2. If your word has as many syllables as it has vowels, remove the word that is the opposite of TELL.

3. Remove the consonant that is silent in LAMB and also remove the consonant that is silent in CLIMB.

4. If a GNOME is something like an ELF, put the silent consonant in GNOME at the very front of your word.

5. Switch the first and the second vowels in the alphabet.

6. Remove the consonant that is silent in CALM and also the consonant that is silent in PALM.

7. Change your second consonant to the last consonant you hear in the word BOMB.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 116

1. Print ADVERTISEMENT.

2. If BOY is the opposite of GIRL, remove the word that is the opposite of WOMEN.

3. Remove the two-letter word that is the opposite of ISN'T.

4. Remove the letter that makes the middle consonant sound in the word RIVER.

5. Move the fourth consonant to the front of your word.

6. Remove the third vowel.

7. Move the third consonant and put it behind the first consonant.

8. If CHAIR is to SIT as BED is to SLEEP, drop the fourth consonant out of your word.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

No. 115

1. BASKETBALL

2. BETBALL

3. ETALL

4. GETALL

5. GATELL

6. GATE

7. GAME

No. 116

1. ADVERTISEMEN

2. ADVERTISET

3. ADVERTET

4. ADERTET

5. TADERTE

6. TADERT

7. TRADET

8. TRADE
No. 117

1. Print AWARENESS.

2. If WHALE is to OCEAN as GOLDFISH is to BOWL, remove the word that means the opposite of PEACE.

3. If HOT is to WARM as HUGE is to TINY, change the first letter to an I.

4. If the letter K in KNOB is silent, move one of the double consonants to the front of your word.

5. Change the first of the two vowels that are alike to the third consonant in the alphabet.

6. If COLD is to COOL as SHORT is to TALL, place a T at the end of your word.

7. If LONG is to SHORT as NEAR is to FAR, double your final consonant.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. AWARENESS

2. AENESS

3. AENESS

4. SAENES

5. SADNES

6. SADNES

7. SADNESS

No. 118

1. Print COMPREHENSION.

2. Remove the word that is the opposite of ROOSTER.

3. If MALE is to FEMALE as KING is to QUEEN, remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.

4. Change the first consonant to the letter that it sounds like in your word.

5. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.

6. Change the second consonant after the vowel to the consonant that is silent in WRIST.

7. Drop the fourth and fifth consonants and also the second and third vowels.

8. Switch the first vowel and the second consonant.

9. Great! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. COMPREHENSION

2. COMPRESION

3. COMPRESI

4. KOMPRESI

5. KONPRESI

6. KONWRESI

7. KONW

8. KNOW
No. 119

1. Print EXERCISE.
2. If TRUCK is to FREEWAY as PEDESTRIAN is to SIDEWALK, remove all of the vowels that are alike and drop the S.
3. If BLACK is to WHITE as STOP is to START, change the final letter to the letter that is silent in CROW.
4. Remove the two consonants that come before Y in the alphabet.
5. If SPY rhymes with HIGH, change the R to the tenth letter of the alphabet.
6. Put the vowel that you hear in the second syllable in the word FELLOWSHIP in the middle of your word.
7. Change the second consonant to fifth consonant in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. EXERCISE
2. XRCl
3. XRCW
4. RC
5. JC
6. JOC
7. JOG

No. 120

1. Print COMPLETELY.
2. Remove the three-letter word that means "to allow."
3. If OPEN is to CLOSE as OVER is to UNDER, remove the letter that comes before N in the alphabet.
4. Change the vowel you hear in GLOAT to the vowel you hear in STRAIN.
5. If CIRCLE is to ROUND as BOX is to SQUARE, drop the beginning consonant.
6. Put the first vowel in the second vowel's place and drop the second vowel from your word.
7. Move the second consonant in front of the vowel.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. COMPLETELY
2. COMPELY
3. COPELY
4. CAPELY
5. APELY
6. PALY
7. PLAY
No. 121

1. Print EXCHANGE.

2. Remove the silent vowel in PRIDE and the silent vowel in SUCCEED.

3. If the S in ISLAND is silent, remove the first consonant.

4. Change the second consonant in the alphabet to the letter that follows it in the alphabet.

5. If HOT is to COLD as CHILLY is to COOL, change the first consonant to a T.

6. If the second consonant in the word DEBT is silent, put the first letter at the end of your word, not at the front.

7. Drop the letter that sometimes sounds like J.

Answer Key

1. EXCHANGE

2. XCHANG

3. CHANG

4. DHANG

5. DHANG

6. HANGD

7. HAND

No. 122

1. Print UNEXPECTED.

2. If the last consonant in the word CLIMB is silent, remove the second consonant in your word.

3. Remove the second and third vowels from your word and replace them with R's.

4. Remove the consonant that is silent in AUTUMN.

5. Drop the letter that sounds like S or K and in its place put the silent vowel in GRAIN.

6. If JOYFUL is the opposite of WOEFUL, remove the letter that is behind the third vowel.

7. Change the letter that comes after S in the alphabet to the letter that comes after R in the alphabet.

8. Put the same letter at the front of your word.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. UNEXPECTED

2. UNEPECTED

3. UNRPRCTED

4. URPRCTED

5. URPRITED

6. URPRITE

7. URPRISE

8. SURPRISE
No. 123

1. Print EXCLAIMING.
2. If TWO is to FOUR as FIVE is to TEN, re­move the word that means the opposite of OUT.
3. Drop the letter that is in front of the third letter in the alphabet.
4. Remove the silent vowel in the word in number one.
5. Remove the vowel that is silent in INVADE and also the silent vowel in READ.
6. Change the letter that is on the end to the letter that can be both a vowel and a con­sonant.
7. Remove the two letters that come before N in the alphabet and insert the first con­sonant you hear in WRITE between the re­maining letters.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 124

1. Print CONFUSION.
2. If BUTTON is to SHIRT as ZIPPER is to SLACKS, remove the letter that PH sounds like in PHONE.
3. Remove the beginning and ending consonants.
4. If COLT is to HORSE as CALF is to COW, turn the letters that tell the opposite of OFF so they spell the opposite of YES.
5. If CREEP is to CRAWL as BOUND is to LEAP, switch the two vowels that are between the identical vowels.
6. Change the final vowel to the silent vowel in the word STATEMENT.
7. Remove the vowel you hear in SUIT.
8. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 125

1. Print POSITIVE.
2. If NEAR is to FAR as HERE is to THERE, change the consonant that comes after T in the alphabet to the consonant that comes before S in the alphabet.
3. If WE is to THEY as ME is to YOU, remove the word that is the opposite of STAND.
4. Change the letter that is before Q in the alphabet to the letter that is silent in ISLAND.
5. Change the vowel in front of the consonant to the vowel you hear in FRUIT.
6. If NEAR is to CLOSE as FAR is to ALWAYS, drop the first consonant.
7. Remove the vowel you hear in CHOKES.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 126

1. Print OBSERVATION.
2. If SHOVEL is to DIG as HAMMER is to HIT, remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.
3. If SMILE is to FROWN as HAPPY is to MAD, change the letter that is silent in LAMB to the letter that sounds like S in CITY.
4. Remove the first and second vowels.
5. Change the consonant that is in front of the vowel to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
6. Remove the two letters that come after Q in the alphabet.
7. Move the first consonant and put it in front of the second vowel.
8. Change the letter that is silent in STRAIN to the eighth letter of the alphabet.
9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 127

1. Print IMPROVEMENT.

2. If NOISY is to QUIET as LARGE is to SMALL, change the first and fifth consonants to the letter that C sounds like in CENTER.

3. Move the word that is the opposite of ISN'T to the end of your word.

4. Change the third consonant to the fifth consonant in the alphabet.

5. If OUTER is the opposite of INNER, remove the third and fourth vowels.

6. Remove the letter that follows S in the alphabet.

7. Remove the letter that is between the two identical consonants.

8. Add a letter like the second consonant before the second vowel.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. IMPROVEMENT

2. ISPROVESENT

3. PROVESENTIS

4. PROGESENTIS

5. PROGESNTS

6. PROGESNS

7. PROGESS

8. PROGRESS

No. 128

1. Print QUESTION.

2. If NOON is the opposite of MIDNIGHT, change the first consonant to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.

3. Change the vowel you hear in FUEL to the vowel you hear in STRAIGHT.

4. Reverse the first consonant and vowel and then the second vowel and consonant.

5. Switch the first and the last consonants.

6. If EXPOSE is the opposite of COVER, drop the third and fourth vowels.

7. If PROTECT means about the same as SHELTER, switch the second vowel and the third consonant.

8. Change the third consonant into the letter that is silent in WRING.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. QUESTION

2. RUESTION

3. RAESTION

4. ARSETION

5. ANSETIOR

6. ANSETR

7. ANSTER

8. ANSWER
No. 129

1. Print ENCOURAGE.
2. Remove the word that means the opposite of YOUR.
3. If CRUEL is the opposite of KIND, remove the second consonant.
4. Move the letter that makes a J sound to the front of your word.
5. Change the middle letter to the silent letter in HELLO.
6. If OPEN is to SHUT as OVER is to UNDER, change the third vowel to the last consonant sound in SLAP.
7. Change the fifth consonant in the alphabet to the eighth letter of the alphabet.
8. If ADD is to SUBTRACT as BLACK is to WHITE, remove the silent vowel in GLOAT.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ENCOURAGE
2. ENCAGE
3. ENAGE
4. GENAE
5. GELAE
6. GELAP
7. HELAP
8. HELP

No. 130

1. Print NATIONAL.
2. If the GH in NIGHT is silent, remove the word that means the opposite of OFF.
3. If the H is silent in the word GHOST, remove the silent vowel in GRAIN.
4. Replace the middle consonant with the first consonant you hear in the word WRITING.
5. If AUNT is to UNCLE as NIECE is to NEPHEW, change the third consonant to the vowel you hear in PREACH.
6. If CHICKEN is to EGG as COW is to MILK, remove the letter that is silent in AUTUMN.
7. Switch the second and third vowels.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. NATIONAL
2. NATIAL
3. NATAL
4. NARAL
5. NARAE
6. ARAE
7. AREA
8.
No. 131
1. Print SPRINGTIME.
2. Remove the four-letter word that means "a band or a circle."
3. Remove the two letters that come after R in the alphabet.
4. Change the letter in front of the first vowel to the first consonant you hear in WRIST.
5. Change the second consonant to the letter that follows it in the alphabet.
6. Change the first vowel to the vowel you hear in the word LEAF.
7. Put the seventh letter of the alphabet at the front of your word.
8. Switch the third consonant and the second vowel.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 132
1. Print DAFFODIL.
2. Change the first letter to the first consonant you hear in OPEN.
3. Remove the two consonants that are alike and replace them with the consonant you first hear in WRONG.
4. Change the vowel that is silent in STRAIN to the vowel that is silent in WROTE.
5. If you hear the GH in RIGHT, change the first letter to a W.
6. Change the vowel you hear in GOAT to the vowel that is silent.
7. Drop the consonant that comes after the vowel that is silent in WAKE.
8. Use your word in a sentence.
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No. 135

1. Print CONGRATULATIONS.
2. Remove the word that names what a cat might catch.
3. Remove the two-letter word that spells the opposite of "away from."
4. If YOUNG is to OLD as BOY is to GIRL, remove the vowels that are identical.
5. If HIGH is to LOW as DAY is to NIGHT, remove the second and fourth consonants.
6. Remove the consonant that sounds like S in celery.
7. Drop the vowel you hear in FRUIT.
8. If LIGHT is to LAMP as HEAT is to FURNACE, switch the beginning and ending consonants.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 136

1. Print FISHING.
2. If CLOSE is the opposite of OPEN, remove the word that is the opposite of WAS.
3. If TWO is to FOUR as TWENTY is to FORTY, remove the middle letter.
4. Put the vowel that is long in FLUTE in the middle of your word.
5. If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, change your vowel to an O.
6. If DOWN is to UP as COOL is to COLD, change your first letter to a P.
7. Remove the fifth consonant in the alphabet and the letter that follows it in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. CONGRATULATIONS
2. CONGULATIONS
3. CONGULIONS
4. CNGULINS
5. CGUINS
6. GUINS
7. GINS
8. SING
No. 137

1. Print SWIMMING.

2. If MIDNIGHT is the opposite of NOON, remove the word that is the opposite of OUT.

3. If WET is to DRY as COLD is to HOT, change the vowel to the vowel you hear in STRAIN.

4. If WALK is to RUN as SLOW is to FAST, drop the letter that is silent in ISLAND.

5. If TELEVISION has four syllables, change the final letter to the first consonant you hear in WREATH.

6. Change the second of the two consonants that are alike to the vowel you hear in BREATHE.

7. Change the middle letter to the letter that comes after S in the alphabet.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 138

1. Print CONDITION.

2. Change the first vowel to the vowel you hear in BREAK and drop the fourth vowel from your word.

3. Remove the second consonant in the alphabet and the fourth letter of the alphabet.

4. If BREAK sounds exactly like BRAKE, put an S at the front of your word.

5. Put the sixth consonant in the alphabet before the first vowel and change the consonant that comes after that vowel to the consonant that follows it in the alphabet.

6. Remove the word that is the opposite of OUT.

7. Change the second vowel to the vowel that you hear in TEAM.

8. Drop the letter that is behind the second vowel.

9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 139

1. Print TABLE.

2. In front of the letter that says "TEA" put the letter that says "SEA".

3. If N is the first sound in KNIGHT, remove the second consonant.

4. At the end of your word put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet.

5. Remove the first consonant in the alphabet.

6. Put the sixth consonant in the alphabet in front of the first vowel.

7. Replace the third consonant and the second vowel with the vowel that is silent in WAIT.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 140

1. Print MARCH.

2. If LONG is to SHORT as NEAR is to FAR, replace the vowel with the vowel you hear in BOWL.

3. If dogs can walk on their hands, put a T at the front of your word.

4. Replace the middle letter with the letter that comes before O in the alphabet.

5. If GIRL is to SISTER as BOY is to BOTHER, put an W at the end of your word.

6. Remove the letter that says "SEA" and in its place put the letter that says "TEA".

7. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 141

1. Print LOVELY.

2. If ALONE is to TOGETHER as OVER is to UNDER, move the letter that can be a vowel or a consonant to the front of your word.

3. If LONG is to SHORT as BIG is to SMALL, remove the two consonants that are alike.

4. After the vowel that comes after M in the alphabet, put the letter that comes after T in the alphabet.

5. Change the last letter to the fifth consonant in the alphabet.

6. Change the second consonant into a letter that will make your word mean the opposite of OLD.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 142

1. Print BASEBALL.

2. If BASEBALL has two silent letters, remove both of the letters that say "BEE".

3. If NOTHING is to ALL as HIGH is to LOW, put the letter that comes before S in the alphabet at the front of your word.

4. If BUY is to SELL as IN is to OUT, remove the two identical consonants.

5. If there are two silent consonants in RIGHT, remove the third vowel.

6. Change the second consonant to the second consonant in the alphabet.

7. Great! Now use your word in a sentence.
No. 143

1. Draw a circle.

2. Draw another circle the same size above the first circle with the edges touching.

3. Put an X in the upper circle.

4. Put a check in the lower circle.

5. Now draw a box around both of the circles.

6. Put a large ring around the box.

No. 144

1. Print TEACHER.

2. If SOFT is to HARD as LIMP is to STIFF, remove the letters that come before and after S in the alphabet.

3. Remove the two vowels that are alike.

4. If WIND means "to rotate or turn," move the vowel to the end of your word.

5. If CAR is to DRIVE as HAMMER is to HIT, put the vowel you hear in WHITE at the end of your word.

6. Put the letter that says "ARE" at the end of your word.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. 

2. 

3. 

4. 

5. 

6. 

Answer Key

1. TEACHER

2. EACH

3. ACH

4. CHA

5. CHAI

6. CHAIR
1. Print SUNSHINE.
2. Remove the two letters that are alike and come before T in the alphabet.
3. Remove the vowel you hear in FRUIT.
4. If CHICKEN is to EGG as COW is to MILK, remove the sixth consonant in the alphabet.
5. Remove the first letter and replace it with the letter that PH sounds like in PHONOGRAPH.
6. Remove the silent vowel.
7. If AIRPLANE is to FLY as RIFLE is to SHOOT, put the third consonant in the alphabet at the end of your word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

1. SUNSHINE
2. UNHINE
3. NHINE
4. NINE
5. FINE
6. FIN
7. FIND

1. Print DAVID.
2. If PEN is to WRITE as BRUSH is to PAINT, remove the first and last consonants.
3. If MOTHER is to FATHER as SISTER is to BOTHER, change the first vowel to an E.
4. If RUN is to RAN as BEGIN is to BEGAN, put the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet at the front of your word.
5. If THROUGH sounds exactly like THREW, remove the second consonant.
6. If DOG is to BARK as DUCK is to QUACK, put the third consonant in the alphabet at the end of your word.
7. Use your word in a sentence.

1. DAVID
2. AVI
3. AVI
4. PAVI
5. PAI
6. PAID
No. 147

1. Print BIRD.

2. If KNIFE is to CARVE as SCISSORS are to CUT, remove the second consonant.

3. Change the letter that says "BEE" to the letter that says "SEA".

4. Change the vowel to the silent vowel in the word PREACHER.

5. If SLOW is to FAST as BIG is to LARGE, put an R on the end of your word.

6. If TEETH are to CHEW as EYES are to SEE, remove the last consonant.

7. Put the letter that comes before U in the alphabet at the end of your word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 148

1. Draw a triangle.

2. Draw a circle to connect the three points of the triangle.

3. Place a dot at each of the three places where the circle touches the triangle.

4. Draw a square in the center of the triangle.

5. Find three half circles and shade them with your pencil.

6. Now draw an X in the square and you are finished.
No. 149

1. Print FRANK.

2. If ANTIQUE is to NEW as OLD is to YOUNG, remove the fourth consonant in the alphabet.

3. Move the first consonant to the end of your word.

4. If SNOW is to COLD as SUN is to WARM, remove the letter that is silent in KNIT.

5. Put the letter that sounds like S or K at the front of your word.

6. Remove the second consonant.

7. Put the third consonant in the alphabet behind the second consonant in your word.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. FRANK
2. RANK
3. ANKR
4. ANR
5. CANR
6. CAR
7. CARD

No. 150

1. Print LONELY.

2. If TRAIN is to TRACK as TRUCK is to ROAD, remove the two consonants that are alike.

3. Change the first vowel to the letter that comes before X in the alphabet.

4. If HOT is to WARM as COLD is to COOL, change the second consonant to the letter that comes before I in the alphabet.

5. If ice will melt in water, remove the last letter.

6. After the vowel, put the consonant that comes before O in the alphabet.

7. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. LONELY
2. ONEY
3. WNEY
4. WHEY
5. WHE
6. WHEN
No. 151

1. Print SUNBURN.

2. If CAT is to KITTEN as COW is to CALF, put the letter that comes before T at the end of your word.

3. If EARLY is the opposite of LATE, remove the first vowel.

4. Change the third consonant to the sixth consonant in the alphabet.

5. If LOST is to FOUND as LOSE is to FIND, remove the second and fifth consonants.

6. If FINISH is to START as END is to BEGIN, drop the first of the identical consonants.

7. If OVER is to UNDER as CLOSE is to SHUT, change the vowel to an A.

8. Put the last letter you hear in BITE between the second and third consonants.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. SUNBURN
2. SUNBURNS
3. SNBURNS
4. SNHURNS
5. SHURS
6. HURS
7. HURS
8. HURTS

No. 152

1. Print INTERFERE.

2. If there are two silent letters in BRIGHTER, remove the word that means the opposite of OUT.

3. Change all of the vowels to the vowel you hear in CLOTHES.

4. If HOT is to COLD as RIGHT is to LEFT, drop the first and third vowels.

5. If NOON is the opposite of MIDNIGHT, remove the two consonants that are identical.

6. Move the middle letter to the end of your word.

7. If BOOK is to READ as APPLE is to EAT, change the second consonant to the last letter you hear in CAPE.

8. Put the letter that comes before T at the front of your word.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. INTERFERE
2. TERFERE
3. TORFORO
4. TRFOR
5. TFO
6. TOF
7. TOP
8. STOP
No. 153

1. Print INTELLIGENT.

2. Remove the four-letter word that means the opposite of \underline{ASK}.

3. Change the first of the two identical consonants to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet and drop the other one.

4. If LONG is to SHORT as DEEP is to \underline{SHALLOW}, remove the vowels that are alike.

5. If there is a silent letter in KNOB, change the vowel to the vowel that is \underline{long} in STRAIGHT.

6. Put the letter that comes before T in the alphabet in front of the letter that comes after L.

7. Move the vowel and place it between the second and third consonants.

8. Change the next to the last letter to the letter that says "\underline{ARE}".

9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 154

1. Draw a square.

2. Draw another square beside the first one.

3. In the right-hand square draw a line from the upper right corner down to the lower left corner.

4. In the left-hand square draw a line from the upper left corner down to the lower right corner.

5. In the right upper corner of the left square print your name.

6. Shade in the lower section of the right-hand square.

7. Draw a circle around the outside of the two squares.

8. Place an \underline{X} on the edge of the circle below the squares.
No. 155

1. Print REMEMBER.
2. If DAWDLE is the opposite of RUSH, remove the word that is the opposite of YOU.
3. Change the letter that is silent in CLIMB to the first letter that is silent in NIGHT.
4. Change the first vowel to the vowel you hear in THOUGH.
5. If RUN is to WALK as HIGH is to LOW, change the consonants that are alike to T's.
6. Change the letter that comes before the third consonant to the first letter you hear inWRINKLE.
7. If US is to WE as LONG is to SHORT, remove the first vowel.
8. Change the first of the identical consonants to the fourth consonant in the alphabet.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. REMEMBER
2. REMBER
3. REMGER
4. ROMGER
5. TOMGET
6. TORGET
7. TORGET
8. FORGET

No. 156

1. Print MEMORIAL.
2. If MEMORIAL has three syllables, remove the last letter.
3. If TOGETHER is to ALONE as OVER is to UNDER, remove the two-letter word that is in the middle.
4. If SORROW is to JOY as SAD is to GLAD, remove the letter that is in front of the second vowel.
5. If FRIEND is the opposite of ENEMY, remove the vowel that is silent in PAINTER.
6. If BOY is to GIRL as BOTHER is to SISTER, remove the second vowel.
7. Change the final consonant you hear in LIMB to the first one you hear in WRITTEN.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. MEMORIAL.
2. MEMORIAL
3. MEMIAL
4. MEIAL
5. MEAL
6. MEAL
7. REAL
8. REAL
No. 157

1. Print UNSCRAMBLE.
2. If TOY is to PLAY as BOOK is to READ, remove the letter after T in the alphabet.
3. Remove the first, third, fifth and seventh consonants.
4. Drop the first vowel and place the vowel that you hear in FLOAT between the first and second consonants.
5. Change the silent letter in CLIMB to the letter that follows U in the alphabet.
6. If a cat can hang from a tree by its hands, change the vowel to an I.
7. Change the letter before the third consonant to the letter ahead of M in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 158

1. Print ACHIEVEMENT.
2. If PUSH is to PULL as IN is to OUT, remove the word that is the opposite of WOMEN.
3. If LIGHT is to DARK as DAWN is to DUSK, change the first vowel to the fifth vowel in the alphabet.
4. Change the eighth letter of the alphabet to the third letter of the alphabet.
5. Remove the second and the fourth vowel.
6. If BREEZE is to WIND as STREAM is to RIVER, change the last letter you hear in WAVE to the letter you last hear in VASE.
7. Change the last letter you hear in THOUGHT to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
8. If DRAWER is to SLIDE as WHEEL is to ROLL, place a letter that is the same as the final letter at the front of your word.
9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 159

1. Print CENTIMETER.

2. Move the first letter to the back of your word.

3. If RIVER is to BROOK as ROAD is to TRAIL, remove the first and third vowels that are alike.

4. If HORN is to TOOT as GUN is to BANG, remove the first of the identical consonants.

5. Remove the letter that is silent in AUTUMN.

6. If SMILE is to LAUGH as FROWN is to CRY, put the letter that C sounds like in CELERY at the back of your word.

7. Move the first vowel and put it between the third and fourth consonants.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 160

1. Print KILOMETER.

2. If your word has as many syllables as it has vowels, drop the eighth consonant in the alphabet.

3. If SLOW is to SWIFT as INSIDE is to OUT, drop the fourth consonant.

4. If SUMMER is to WINTER as SPRING is to FALL, remove the second and fourth vowels.

5. Remove the final letter you hear in INFLATE.

6. If GIRL is to BOY as SISTER is to BOTHER, remove the first vowel.

7. Move the first letter and place it behind the second consonant.

8. Move the first consonant and place it behind the first vowel.

9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 161

1. Print ADMISSION.
2. If BRUSH is to PAINT as PENCIL is to WRITE, remove the word that is the opposite of HIT.
3. If MORNING is to NIGHT as LIGHT is to DARK, remove the vowel that is in front of the second consonant.
4. If OVER is to UNDER as SLOW is to POKEY, remove the second vowel.
5. Move the letter that is in front of the first consonant and place it behind the second consonant.
6. If TUESDAY is to MONDAY as TWELVE is to ELEVEN, change the second consonant to the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
7. Change the vowel that is long in INSANE to the vowel that is silent in that word.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 162

1. Print SUPERIOR.
2. If MODERN is to ANTIQUE as YOUNG is to OLD, remove the word that means the opposite of DOWN.
3. If SUPERIOR has the same number of syllables as it has vowels, remove the two identical consonants.
4. If HIGH is to LOW as LEFT is to WRITE, remove the first vowel.
5. Change the vowel that is long in the word DIET to the first consonant in the alphabet.
6. Change the vowel that is short in the word NEON to the last letter you hear in FLUTE.
7. Switch the first and second consonants.
8. Terrific! Now use your word in a sentence.
No. 163
1. Print DIFFERENT.
2. If IMAGINARY is to REAL as FAKE is to GENUINE, remove the last letter you hear in GRATE.
3. If LOCATE is to FIND as BEGIN is to START, remove the double consonants.
4. If CEMENT is to HARD as PILLOW is to SOFT, remove the word that is the opposite of LIVE.
5. Change the letter that says "ARE" to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
6. Switch the final letter and the center letter.
7. Change the center letter to the one that follows L in the alphabet.
8. Between the consonants, place the long vowel in TRAIN.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. DIFFERENT
2. DIFFEREN
3. DIEREN
4. REN
5. SEN
6. SNE
7. SME
8. SAME

No. 164
1. Print EXCUSED.
2. If WRITE, BRIGHT and BITE all rhyme, remove the word that means the opposite of THEM.
3. If SATURDAY is to SUNDAY as THIRD is to FOURTH, remove the second consonant.
4. Place the letter that is ahead of O in the alphabet at the front of your word.
5. If DRAWER is to SLIDE as WHEEL is to ROLL, remove the letter that is in front of the third consonant.
6. If TOP is to BOTTOM as LONG is to SHOUT, put an S on the end of your word.
7. Change the letter behind the second consonant to the letter that comes before U in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
1. EXCUSED
2. EXCED
3. EXED
4. NEXED
5. NEXD
6. NEXD
7. NEXT
No. 165

1. Print IDENTICAL.
2. If SHARP is to DULL as WARM is to COOL, remove the third consonant in the alphabet.
3. Move the last letter to the front of your word.
4. Move the letter that comes after the fourth consonant to the front of your word.
5. If a horn is hollow, remove the third consonant.
6. If a rock is solid, drop the second consonant and the fourth vowel.
7. Switch the second consonant with the third vowel.
8. If LOST is to WON as LARGE is to SMALL, change the second consonant to the letter it sounds like in CARTOON.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. IDENTICAL
2. IENTICAL
3. LIENTICA
4. ALIENTIC
5. ALIENIC
6. ALIEC
7. ALICE
8. ALIKE

No. 166

1. Print DESPERATE.
2. If MAGAZINE is to READ as BANANA is to EAT, remove the three-letter word that names a small animal.
3. If FOUR rhymes with MORE, change the third consonant in the alphabet to the eighth letter in the alphabet.
4. Change the first of the three identical letters to the last letter you hear in GROW.
5. Move the second consonant so that it comes after the last vowel.
6. If RIGHT is to LEFT as TOP is to BOTTOM, remove one of the double letters.
7. Put the letter that is before M in the alphabet after the second vowel and then double the final letter.
8. Between the third and fourth consonants put the vowel that is silent in WRITE.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. DESPERATE
2. DESPEE
3. HESPEE
4. HOSPEE
5. HOPEES
6. HOPES
7. HOPELSS
8. HOPELESS


No. 167

1. Print ATTITUDES.
   
2. If BIRD is to HORSE as FLY is to TROT, remove the triple consonants.
   
3. If CENTER is to MIDDLE as OUTDOORS is to OUTSIDE, put the fourth consonant in the alphabet at the front of your word.
   
4. Remove the first vowel and move the last vowel behind the first consonant.
   
5. If WATER is to FLOW as FIRE is to BURN, double the first vowel.
   
6. Change the fourth vowel to the letter that follows M in the alphabet.
   
7. Change the second to the last consonant to the seventh letter in the alphabet.
   
8. After the double letters, put the letter that is silent in CALM.
   
9. Use your word in a sentence.
   
No. 168

1. Print SQUINTING.
   
2. Remove the word that completes this: GLASS is to BOTTLE as ? is to CAN.
   
3. Change the letter that follows P in the alphabet to the letter that is silent in WRING.
   
4. If CAT is to BIRD as MEOW is to CHIRP, remove the beginning consonant.
   
5. If OPEN is to CLOSE as BACK is to FRONT remove the vowel you hear in SUIT.
   
6. Put the letter that C sounds like in CITY at the end of your word.
   
7. If FIND is to LOOSE as FOUND is to LOST, put a P at the front of your word.
   
8. Change the seventh letter in the alphabet to the eighth consonant in the alphabet.
   
9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 169

1. Print IMMEDIATELY.
2. Remove the word that is the opposite of YOU.
3. If SOUR is to PICKLE as SWEET is to SUGAR, remove the consonant that sometimes sounds like E or I.
4. Remove the word that completes this: DRINK is to DRANK as EAT is to __?
5. Change the first consonant to the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
6. If DARK is to NIGHT as LIGHT is to DAY, remove the identical vowels.
7. If KNOB starts with the same sound as NEVER, change the middle letter to the vowel you hear in GLOAT.
8. If the S is silent in ISLAND, change the last letter to the consonant that you don't hear in WRINGER.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. IMMEDIATELY
2. IMMEDIATELY
3. IMMEDIATELY
4. IMDIL
5. INDIL
6. NDL
7. NOL
8. NOW

No. 170

1. Print CONCLUSION.
2. Remove the two words that are the opposite of OFF.
3. Drop one of the identical consonants and put the other before the last vowel.
4. If RUN is to FAST as STROLL is to SLOW, change the vowel you hear in CUTE to the vowel that is silent.
5. If BIKE is to CHAIR as RIDE is to SIT, change the third consonant to the letter that follows it in the alphabet.
6. If STOVE is to TUB as KITCHEN is to BATHROOM, remove the first consonant.
7. If BOY is to MAN as GIRL is to WOMAN, drop the final letter.
8. Change the middle letter to the last consonant sound you hear in NINE.
9. Great! Now use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. CONCLUSION
2. CCLUSI
3. LUSCI
4. LESCI
5. LESDI
6. ESDI
7. ESD
8. END
No. 171

1. Print SYMPHONY.

2. If HIGH rhymes with SLY, remove the two letters that sound like F in FIRE.

3. Remove the two consonants that sometimes sound like E or I.

4. Behind the third consonant, place the vowel you hear in the word FRUIT.

5. If JOYFUL is to WOEFUL as HAPPY is to SAD, place the third consonant of the alphabet behind the second vowel.

6. If TREMENDOUS is to LARGE as MAGNIFICENT is to GRAND, remove the consonant that is before the first vowel.

7. Reverse the second vowel and the second consonant.

8. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 172

1. Print HARMONY.

2. If EXCITING is the opposite of DULL, remove the letter that comes before S in the alphabet.

3. Change the sixth consonant in the alphabet to the first consonant in the alphabet.

4. Change the vowel you hear in THROAT to the vowel that you hear in CHEAT.

5. Remove the letter that can be a consonant and also a vowel in a word.

6. If SIMILAR is the opposite of DIFFERENT, change the first letter of the alphabet to the silent consonant in the word HALF.

7. After the fourth consonant, put the third consonant in the alphabet.

8. Remove the last consonant you hear in BLAME.

9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 173

1. Print MELODY.
2. If UNCLE is to AUNT as NEPHEW is to NIECE, remove the word that is the opposite of YOU.
3. Change the last letter in your word to the vowel that it sounds like.
4. Change the twelfth letter of the alphabet to the letter that is silent in the word CATCH.
5. If DAWN is to MORNING as DUSK is to NIGHT, change the vowel you hear in the word LOAD to the vowel you hear in the word FRUIT.
6. If SISTER is to BOTHER as GIRL is to BOY, put an S at the front of your word.
7. Change the second consonant to the letter that comes before Q in the alphabet.
8. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

No. 174

1. Print TERRITORY.
2. If UNCLE is to AUNT as NEPHEW is to NIECE, drop the triple consonants.
3. If the first consonant is silent in KNOW and KNOB, change the last vowel you hear in VETO to the last vowel that is silent in REAP.
4. If the GH is silent in NIGHT and THOUGHT, remove the double consonants.
5. Change the vowel you hear in LEAP to the letter that is silent in PALM.
6. Remove the vowel that is silent in SPRAIN and put the consonant that is silent in AUTUMN before the last letter in your word.
7. Change the letter that is sometimes a vowel and sometimes a consonant to the third consonant in the alphabet.
8. Great! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key
No. 175

1. Print RESPONSIBLE.

2. If CAR is to HIGHWAY as AIRPLANE is to SKY, remove the word that is the opposite of OFF.

3. Switch the second and third vowels.

4. Change the fifth consonant to the last letter you hear in DATE.

5. If WARM is to HOT as COOL is to COLD, remove the second of the double consonants and the first consonant you hear in ISLAND.

6. Remove the vowel that is silent in REFRAIN.

7. Put the letter that sounds like K in CALIFORNIA behind the second vowel.

8. Terrific! Use your word in a sentence.

No. 176

1. Print SYMBOLIZED.

2. If SYMBOL is to SIGN as CRY is to SOUND, remove the second, fourth, fifth and sixth consonants.

3. If TREE is to PLANT as DOG is to ANIMAL, remove the vowel that is long in the word OPENING.

4. If SATISFACTION has four syllables, switch the second consonant with the first vowel.

5. Change the middle letter to the letter that follows it in the alphabet.

6. Remove the silent vowel in TWINE.

7. If CAR is to GAS as TELEVISION is to ELECTRICITY, remove the consonant you hear in the middle of LADDER.

8. Between the vowel and the last consonant put the middle consonant sound in the word WAGON.

9. Use your word in a sentence.
No. 177

1. Print ACCURATE.
2. Move the third consonant to the front of your word.
3. If FRONT is to BACK as TOP is to BOTTOM, change the double consonants to the seventh letter in the alphabet.
4. If DRAWER is to SLIDE as WHEEL is to TURN, remove the identical vowels.
5. Switch the first vowel with the second consonant.
6. Between the second and third consonants put the sixth consonant in the alphabet.
7. If LONG is to SHORT as HIGH is to LOW, change the vowel you hear in SUIT to the vowel that is silent.
8. Remove one letter so that your word will mean the opposite of WRONG.
9. Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. ACCURATE
2. RACCUATE
3. RAGUATE
4. RGUTE
5. RUGTE
6. RUGHTE
7. RIGHTE
8. RIGHT

No. 178

1. Print DEPARTMENT.
2. Remove the four-letter word that means to SEPARATE.
3. If PUSH is to PULL as OPEN is to CLOSE, remove the word that is the opposite of YOU.
4. If SNOW is to ICE as RAIN is to WATER, change the beginning consonant to the letter that C sounds like in CINDER.
5. If INSIDE is to OUTSIDE as BACK is to FRONT, change the silent vowel in SPOKE to the vowel that you hear.
6. Move the last letter and put it in front of the vowel.
7. Change the third consonant to the second vowel in the alphabet.
8. Between the vowels place the letter that you first hear in WRITE.
9. Good! Use your word in a sentence.

Answer Key

1. DEPARTMENT
2. DEMENT
3. DENT
4. SENT
5. SONT
6. STON
7. STOE
8. STORE

5. If INSIDE is to OUTSIDE as BACK is to FRONT, change the silent vowel in SPOKE to the vowel that you hear.
No. 179

1. Print USEFULNESS.

2. If ELBOW is to ARM as KNEE is to LEG, remove the third vowel and the second and third consonants.

3. Change the second vowel to the first letter in the alphabet and remove the third vowel from your word.

4. If POTATO has the same number of syllables as PHOTOGRAPH, change the first letter to the sixth consonant in the alphabet.

5. If TOE is to FOOT as FINGER is to HAND, remove the triple consonants.

6. If TREE is to BARK as ANIMAL is to HIDE, put the letter that comes after X in the alphabet behind the second consonant.

7. If LEFT is the opposite of WRITE, put an S at the front of your word.

8. If LEFT is to RIGHT as FRONT is to BACK, put the third consonant in the alphabet between the second and third consonants.

9. Use your word in a sentence.

No. 180

1. Draw a triangle like this △

2. Draw another one next to it with the lower corner of each touching.

3. Place an X in the right triangle.

4. Draw a line from the top corner of one triangle to the top corner of the other one so that you have three triangles.

5. Put a circle in the middle triangle.

6. Color the triangle on the left.

7. Place the fourth triangle on top of the middle triangle to form one large triangle that is divided into four sections.
Chapter 5

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Research indicated the ability to follow directions is not only a survival reading skill but an important phase of the "learning to read" process. It is the responsibility of the classroom teacher to provide systematic practice in this skill as part of every student's educational program.

Research further indicated that the skill of following directions requires decoding, interpretation, analysis, synthesis, evaluation and application of what is read.

The purpose of this study was to develop instructional materials that would provide classroom teachers with a motivational method for teaching the skill of following written directions, with emphasis on the development of decoding and comprehension skills.

The set of 180 directions developed for this project provided practice in applying phonetic elements and structural analysis in the context of a reading activity. Comprehension skills were practiced through the development of key concepts, use of structural words, comparing and contrasting ideas, making appropriate judgments and teaching cognitive strategies.

The set of directions developed provided daily lessons for an entire school year. The directions were
intended for students with second through eleventh grade reading abilities. The daily directions provided continuous practice in essential reading skills while eliciting observable consequent behaviors which implied language reception or comprehension.

This project has been used in a classroom with students whose reading levels were from second to tenth grade. The daily lessons have been a useful and motivating method for giving classroom practice in the skill of following written directions. The lessons were used at the beginning of class as an on-task activity. The introductory method of presentation found to be most effective was:

1. The acetate was placed on the overhead;

2. The directions were read one at a time orally by the teacher as the class followed;

3. Each response was written on the blackboard by the teacher after the students had tried to answer on their own;

4. Each response was discussed with the class to clarify any misconceptions;

5. After this group practice, a second exercise was placed on the overhead;

6. The students completed this exercise without teacher direction as the teacher moved from student to student to give individual assistance where necessary. Those students experiencing difficulty were encouraged to re-read and think about the directions until they were able to understand the direction for themselves.

7. The first student to complete the steps correctly was allowed to check the responses of the other students and also give assistance.
Because of the short amount of class time needed to give this daily practice in direction-following, the number of skills practiced in a purposeful reading activity and the enthusiastic participation of the students in this activity, the further development of additional direction-following lessons was indicated.
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