



# TECH *Timeout*

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**POWER DOWN** and get back to the basics!



Captivating  
puzzles and  
games

Creative  
activities

Exciting  
outdoor  
adventures





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## Introduction

Are you ready for a tech timeout? The sections in this book have lots of ideas for activities that don't involve computers, smartphones, or TVs. Each activity provides plenty of screen-free fun.

As you go through this book, keep an eye out for red letters and this bird  scattered through the pages. You can keep track of them to complete activities at the end of the "Solve It" and "Find It" sections!

### *Create It*

Get creative! You'll have a chance to glue, tape, draw, paint, snip, tear, and stack to complete a craft project. You may want to ask your parents to stock up on some of the following items that will be needed for this section: paper (including heavy paper, such as cardstock), colored construction paper, a roll of butcher paper or brown craft paper, crayons or markers, glue, tape (including masking tape or blue painter's tape), scissors, craft sticks, paint, brushes, cotton balls, stones, bubble wrap, yarn, and decorative stickers.

### *Solve It*

The activities in this section require little more than a pencil and your brain. Many of the puzzles put your knowledge of words, numbers, and critical thinking to the test. Other puzzles require a keen sense of observation.

### *Find It*

The hunt is on! Whether indoors, outdoors, or on the page, these activities will have you focused on tasks that require looking, finding, and collecting.

### *Play It*

Time to get up and get moving! This section is filled with exercises and other physical activities to get your heart rate up and burn off energy. Whether it's running, hopping, dancing, or stretching, you are sure to get a healthy workout.



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## Design a Tee

Make a T-shirt that features your own artwork!

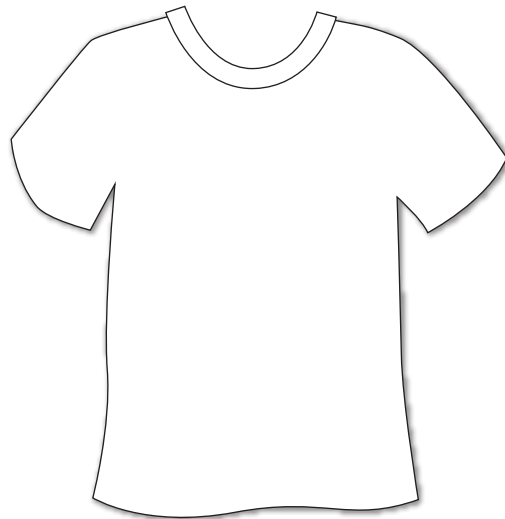
### ● What You Need

- a 100% cotton T-shirt in white or a light color
- crayons
- wax paper
- an iron
- an adult's help

### ● What You Do

1. Make sure you have a parent's permission to use the shirt.
2. Draw a picture or a design on the shirt.
3. Place a piece of wax paper over your design.
4. Have an adult iron the wax paper for about half a minute on the cotton setting.
5. Your shirt is done, and the design is permanent!

These T-shirts make a great gift. You can make ones with a theme for a friend (sports, horses, nature) or just draw a special picture for a parent or grandparent.

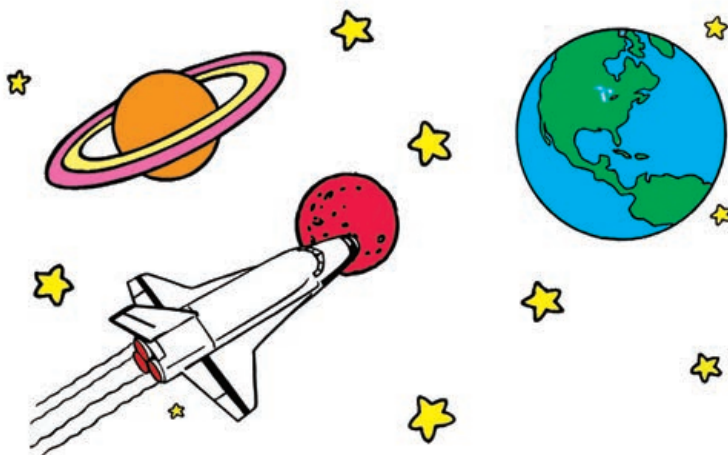


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## Found in Space

Read each riddle. Then, write the answer using one of the scrambled words from the word box.

1. This huge star lights the day. \_\_\_\_\_
2. These shine at night. \_\_\_\_\_
3. These are on the Moon. \_\_\_\_\_
4. This is our home planet. \_\_\_\_\_
5. This flies into space. \_\_\_\_\_
6. This planet is red. \_\_\_\_\_
7. This planet has rings. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Astronauts do this in space. \_\_\_\_\_



tifoa  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## What's Different?

Can you spot the 10 differences in these two pictures?





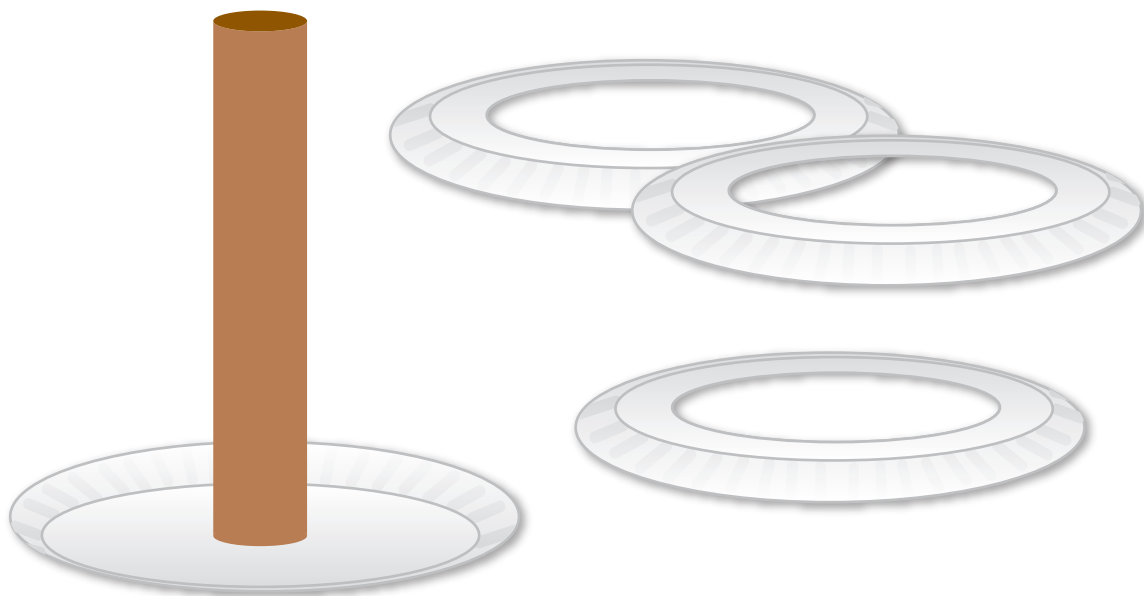
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## Ring Toss

You can make your own ring toss game with some paper plates and a paper towel roll.

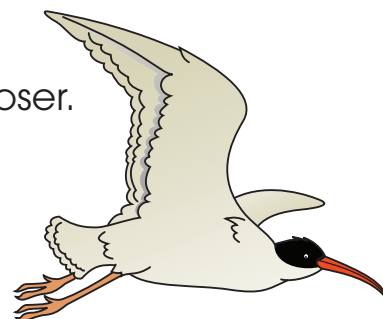
First, glue the empty paper towel roll onto a paper plate so it is standing straight up.

Next, cut out the inside part of several paper plates. Leave about 2 inches around the outside. These are the rings you will toss.



Let the game begin! Toss the rings onto the paper towel roll. Score a point each time you ring the paper towel roll.

If you find the game too easy, move farther away. If the game is too hard, move a bit closer.





# Answer Key

## Calendar Crossword

Read the clues and use the words in the word box to complete the puzzle.

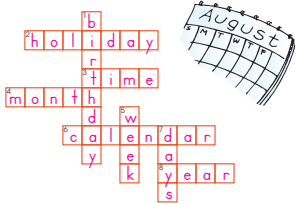
### Across

- It is a day for celebrating instead of working.
- It can be measured in days, weeks, months, and years.
- It can have 28 to 31 days.
- You can hang it on a wall to keep track of the days.
- This has twelve months.

### Down

- This is the day you were born.
- It has seven days.
- A year has 365 of these.

day  
week  
month  
year  
calendar  
holiday  
birthday  
time



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## Pig Pen Puzzler

Use the word box on the next page to answer each clue in the squares on the right. Then, use your answers to fill in the letters of the riddle on the next page.

- a. Makes you say, "Ouch!"

PAIN  
8 3 9 12

- b. Class where you learn to add

MATH  
25 11 4 32

- c. Where bees live

HIVE  
17 14 19 41

- d. Hospital room with a TV and magazines

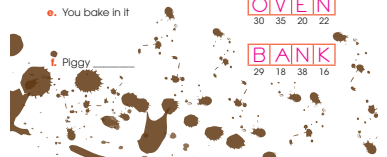
WAITING  
1 7 21 31 34 42 10

- e. You bake in it

OVEN  
30 35 20 22

- f. Piggy

BANK  
29 18 38 16



- g. Swimming place

POOL  
40 24 27 33

- h. Opposite of "subtract"

ADD  
39 5 13

- i. It lays eggs

HEN  
2 36 28

- j. A penny is a \_\_\_\_\_

COIN  
23 6 37 15

- k. Thirteenth letter of the alphabet

M  
26

coin  
hive  
bank  
pool  
oven

hen  
math  
M  
add  
waiting



WHAT DO A PIG AND  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13  
INK HAVE IN COMMON?  
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28  
BOTH LIVE IN A PEN.  
29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42

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## World Traveler

Write the missing letters **a, d, e, n,** or **y** for each word. Use the code at the bottom of the page.

E n g l a n d  
♡ ♣ ☺ ☆

G e r m a n y  
♡ ♣ ☺ ☹

F i n l a n d  
☹ ☺ ♣ ☆

J a p a n  
☺ ☺ ♣

I t a l y  
☺ ☹

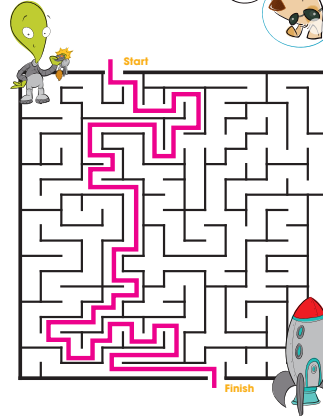
A D E N Y  
☺ ☆ ♣ ☹ ☹



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## A-Maze-ing Alien

Help the alien find his ride.



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## Found in Space

Read each riddle. Then, write the answer using one of the scrambled words from the word box.

- This huge star lights the day. s u n
- These shine at night. s t a r s
- These are on the Moon. c r a t e r s
- This is our home planet. E a r t h
- This flies into space. s h u t t l e
- This planet is red. M a r s
- This planet has rings. S a t u r n
- Astronauts do this in space. f l o a t



floo  
nuh  
htiesuf  
staf  
sath  
mucal  
rMas  
ensical

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## Slumbering Slippers

Read the clues and use the words in the word box to complete the puzzle.

### Across

- Opposite of frown.
- A small, slow-moving creature.
- Opposite of rough.
- Resting.
- To slant or lean.
- What your nose does.
- Intelligent.
- Ah...choo!

### Down

- To shut with a bang.
- A smooth, layered rock.
- A cracking sound.
- Very clever, like a fox.
- To trip.
- A kind of shoe.
- Reptiles.
- Frozen white flakes.
- Something burning gives off.

smooth  
slam  
slipper  
slope  
snaps

snail  
smart  
snow  
state  
smoke

slip  
slip  
smile  
smoke  
sneeze



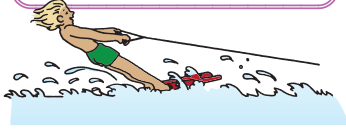
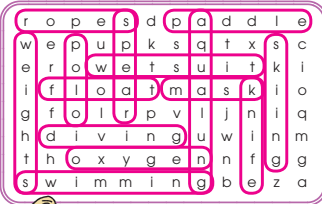
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# Answer Key

## Water Sports

Find and circle the words in the puzzle.

- knife
- skiing
- canoe
- mask
- diving
- swimming
- spear
- wet suit
- oxygen
- aqua-lung
- ropes
- float
- weights



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## Grocery Store Color Hunt

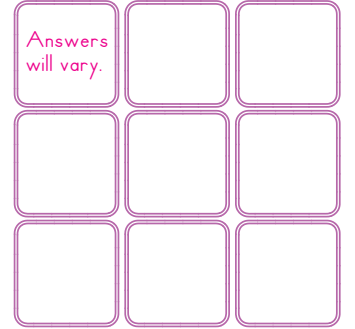
The grocery store is a colorful place. It is perfect for a color hunt! Bring this page with you the next time you go to the grocery store. Look for foods that match each color shown below. Write what you find next to its color.



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## Texture Hunt

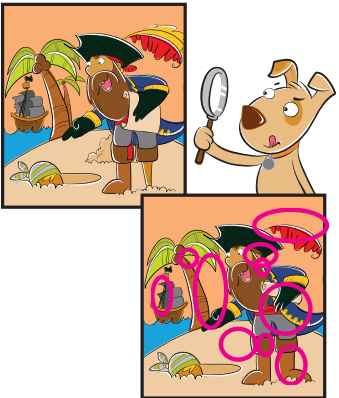
Peel the paper off of a dark crayon. Grab a few pieces of paper and head outside. Lay the paper against tree trunks, sidewalks, and patio furniture. Look for anything else that has an interesting texture. Rub the crayon over the paper to copy the textures. Cut out a square from each texture. Paste the squares in the grid below. Then, ask a friend to guess where each rubbing came from.



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## What's Different?

Can you spot the 10 differences in these two pictures?

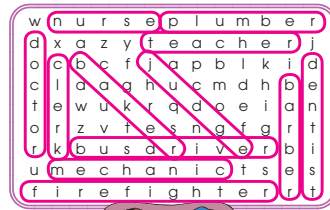


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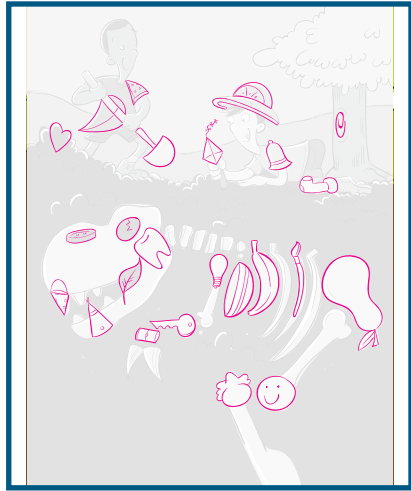
## Community Helpers

Find and circle the words in the puzzle.

- firefighter
- doctor
- nurse
- bus driver
- dentist
- teacher
- clerk
- judge
- mechanic
- baker
- plumber
- barber



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