## WEEK 3

## FALL

## Review Packet

## 5 Days of Activities



## Reading

## Writing

Math
Other Fun Stuff
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## Helpful Hints

## Materials You Will Need:

- Pencils and paper
- Colored pencils, markers, or crayons for some of the activities
- Scissors, glue, and other materials for some of the activities


## Directions \& Tips:

- There is a schedule for each day. You
 may complete the activities in any order.
- Make sure to plan your time so that you don't let things pile up at the end.
- Read the directions carefully before completing each activity.
- Check off each of the activities when you finish them on the menu.


## Activity Menu

|  | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reading | The Shiniest Apple: Cause and Effect | Chameleon <br> Table of Contents | Garden <br> Power: <br> Predictions | Compare and Contrast Main Ideas | Fact or Opinion Bubble Pop |
| Writing | Watermelon <br> Graphic <br> Organizer: <br> Write a <br> Personal <br> Narrative | Details <br> Brainstorming | Adding Dialogue | Narrative Hooks | Personal Narrative: Surprise |
| Grammar $P=1$ | Synonyms | Homophones (EE and EA) | Prefix, Suffix, Make Sense of It | Learning About Verbs with "ing" | Punctuation: The Bear and the Bees |
| Math | Measuring Objects: Inches and Centimeters <br> Estimation Check-in | Telling Time to 5-Minute Intervals <br> Telling <br> Time: <br> Five-Minute Intervals | How Much <br> Money is Needed? <br> Making <br> Change at the Grocery Store | Farm Math Table <br> Growing Trees Pictograph | Complete <br> a Bar <br> Graph <br> Andy's <br> Safari |
| Science, <br> Social <br> Studies, <br> \& More | Blue Whales | Community Service | Practice Symmetry: Owl | Resources | Shadows |

## DAY 1



## The Shiniest Apple: Cause and Effect

Read the story. Then answer the questions.

Molly really wanted to be able to reach the top of the apple tree in her backyard. There was a shiny red apple that she really wanted to get down. But no matter how hard she tried, she just couldn't figure out how to get to the apple. The branches were too low to climb to the top. The tree was too tall for Molly to jump and reach the top.

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## Synonyms

Synonyms are words with the same or almost the same meaning.

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Read the first word in each row below. Circle the synonym.

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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| night | day | star | evening |
| build | make | hammer | ladder |
| car | auto | shoe | tractor |
| look | see | skip | scream |
| yell | shout | boy | talk |
| small | big | huge | little |
| big | dog | large | tiny |

## Measuring Objects: Inches and Centimeters

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$\qquad$ centimeters
___ inches

3. The length of the crayon is:
__ centimeters
___ inches

4. The length of the shoe is:
__ centimeters
___ inches

Print at 100\% to ensure the ruler is accurate:

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## Estimation Check-in

Think of the objects below in real life, then circle the best estimation of their size.


A giraffe is about 15 feet OR 25 inches tall.


A slide is about 7 feet OR 70 meters high.


A desk is about 2 feet OR 6 meters long.


A butterfly is about 2 feet OR 10 centimeters long.


A pencil is about 17 inches OR 19 centimeters long.


A skyscraper is about 12 feet OR 50 meters high.

## Blue Whales

Blue whales are the largest animals currently on Earth. These whales can grow up to 100 feet long and weigh up to 200 tons ( 400,000 pounds). Just what do these large animals eat?

Their diet consists only of tiny shrimp-like animals called krill. After taking a big gulp of sea water, the blue whale's massive tongue forces the water out of its mouth through its baleen*. Only the krill is left behind and swallowed. A blue whale can eat up to four tons of krill in a single day.

Blue whales have been found in every ocean of the world. Since whales live in the ocean they are marine animals. They swim in small groups, but are usually found alone or in pairs. The blue whale will spend most of its time feeding in polar waters. During winter you will find blue whales migrating towards the equator. Animals migrate, or move to a different place, for many reasons. Blue whales migrate to eat and have their young in warmer waters.

Blue whales are endangered. This means they are threatened by extinction*. During the early 1900s people would hunt for the blue whale to use its oil for lamps and other things. The blue whale can live up to ninety years.

Interesting facts: Blue whale calves can weigh up to three tons at birth. That's the same weight as an adult blue whale's tongue!
*baleen: a hard substance in the mouths of some whales that is attached to their jaw and hangs down and "locks" together.
*extinction: When an animal goes extinct, that means it is no longer anywhere in the world. They have all died out.


A blue whale compared to an adult elephant.
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B. Tiny animals
C. A type of bird
2. Fill in the blanks to complete this sentence. Blue whales can grow up to
$\qquad$ long and weigh up to $\qquad$
3. TRUE or FALSE: Blue whales are usually found in large groups. Circle one.
4. Match the words with their definition.

| Extinction | A hard substance in the mouths of whales <br> that is attached to their jaw and hangs down <br> and "locks" together |
| :--- | :--- |
| Migrate | When an animal has all died out and can no <br> longer be found anywhere in the world |
| Animals moving to a different place |  |

5. A blue whale can live to be how old? Answer this question in a complete sentence.

## DAY 2



## Chameleon Table of Contents

## Review the Table of Contents and answer the questions below.

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Chapter 2: Color-changing ..... Page 7
Chapter 3: Diet. ..... Page 10Index.
$\qquad$Page 12

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A) page 10
B) page 12
C) page 3
D) page 1
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2) Which pages contain information about color-changing?
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B) pages 7-9
C) pages 10-11
D) only page 8

3) Which of the following is a good place to find where different words are located within the book?
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C) Chapter 1
D) the index

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## HOMOPHONES (EE \& EA)

Homophones are words that sound the same but are spelled differently. Choose the correct word from the box on the right and place it in the correct sentence.

1. Lots of fish live in the $\qquad$ .
2. I $\qquad$ lots of fish at the aquarium. sea see
3. $\qquad$ me at the playground tomorrow.
4. We bought $\qquad$ at the market.
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## Telling Time to 5-Minute Intervals

Write the time shown on each clock in the space below it.


Tick Tock! Telling Time: Five Minute Intervals Draw the hands on the clock to show the time.


7:35


2:55


10:40


6:50


9:30

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## What is Community Service?

Community service is volunteering to help those in your community. It might be something that is done once, or on a regular basis. Community service is often referred to as "giving back to the community." It can be done by an individual or an organization. Community service is giving your time without being paid. It might be helping people who are less fortunate, or helping to improve your community.

## Volunteer Word Scramble

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4. Good and uplifting (V O P S T I E I)

## Think About It

1. Why do you think community service is important?
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2. What other types of community service are there?

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## GARDEN POWER: PREDICTIONS $\circ^{\circ}$

Read the story below. Then draw and write about what you think will happen next.
Martin planted flower seeds in his garden. He wanted to grow red and yellow flowers. Martin put the seeds in the dirt. He watered his garden every day. After one week, nothing grew. After two weeks, nothing grew. After three weeks, Martin could see a small seedling poking up above the dirt.


## Adding Dialogue

Think about a scene in your story: Who said what? Complete the speech bubbles, then write the dialogue in sentences on the lines below.
Example: What's happening in this scene? We'd just finished breakfast.

"Would you like to go to the library?" my dad asked after breakfast.
"Yes please. I need some new books!" I exclaimed.

Your story: What's happening in this scene? $\qquad$


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## Prefix, Suffix, Make Sense of It!

Draw lines to make new words by combining prefixes and suffixes with root words.

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## How Much Money is Needed?

Above each monetary piece, enter the correct number that is needed to equal the price for each item shown.

\$4.23
\$6.83

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## Making Change at the Grocery Store

Martin and his friends are at the grocery store. Answer each question about making change. Show your work!

Martin has 30 cents. If he buys an apple for 25 cents, how much change will he get back?

Name $\qquad$


Larissa has 50 cents. If she buys gum for 47 cents, how much change will she get back?

Herbert has 25 cents. If he buys a carrot for 14 cents, how much change will he get back?

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What is the main idea of this passage? Write your answer in a complete sentence.

List two or more important details that support the main idea.
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Date $\qquad$

## Compare and Contrast Main Ideas

## Part 2: A Strange Creature



Last summer I went to visit my uncle who lives in Australia. While I was there, we went fishing early one morning at the river near his house. As we were getting our fishing poles ready, I saw something out of the corner of my eye. It looked like the tail of a beaver!

About thirty seconds later, I saw a duck's bill come up out of the water near where I saw the beaver. But as it began to bring its head out of the water, I saw that it had fur instead of feathers! I rubbed my eyes in confusion. The sun wasn't up all the way yet, so it was still a little dark. Maybe it was a beaver after all?

When it finally stepped out of the water, I saw that it really did have a bill and webbed feet like a duck. But then I saw that it had four feet instead of two. Its smooth fur looked like an otter's, but its body was much shorter. I stared in amazement as the strange creature quickly disappeared into its home in the ground. I'd never seen anything like that before!

What is the main idea of this passage? Write your answer in a complete sentence.

List two or more important details that support the main idea.

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Do you think these two passages are talking about the same animal? Why or why not? Use details from the texts to support your answer.
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## Narrative Hooks

| Dialogue: | Action: <br> Starts with <br> a conversation <br> Starts with <br> someone doing <br> something | Question: <br> Starts with a <br> question to get <br> the reader <br> thinking | Description: <br> Starts with a <br> detailed picture <br> of the setting |
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Directions: Identify each type of hook in the examples below.

## Example

## Type

1. Have you ever chased a chicken? It's harder than it sounds.
2. "Mom," I said, "Come quick! The chickens have gotten out of the coop again!"
3. Mud splashed my ankles as I ran after the squawking hen.
4. Rosy morning light hit the hook on the chicken coop door, swinging in the light breeze. The door was open!


## Learning about Verbs with "ing"

You've probably seen a lot of verbs with "ing" at the end. Verbs are action words and a verb ending with "ing" is one that is used to talk about an ongoing action. Here is an example:

My friend Kitty is reading a story about a princess and a frog.

Add "ing" to the verbs so that they describe the continuing actions in the following sentences. Sometimes you may have to leave off the " $e$ " on the end of the verb before you add the "ing."

1. I am $\qquad$ for the bus with my friend.
2. My cousin is $\qquad$ for the airport in an hour.
3. My mom is $\qquad$ my favorite song.
4. He is $\qquad$ a surprise birthday party for his father.
5. Our class is $\qquad$ a book drive.
6. My brother is $\qquad$ to find his sweater.
7. The girl is $\qquad$ a picture.
8. Do you need help $\qquad$ your room?
9. The children are $\qquad$ a fun game.
10. They are $\qquad$ a tree house.
11. My teacher is $\qquad$ our tests right now.
wait
leave
sing
throw
organize
try
draw
clean
play
build
grade
$\qquad$ Date $\qquad$

## Farm Math Table



Number of animals

|  | pigs | chickens | sheep | cows | horses | ducks |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Smith | 5 | 20 | 7 | 14 | 3 | 15 |
| Jones | 10 | 13 | 21 | 9 | 7 | 8 |

## Use the table to answer the questions below.

1. How many pigs does Jones farm have?
2. Which farm has more ducks? $\qquad$
3. Which farm has fewer cows? $\qquad$
4. Which farm has 10 sheep and horses altogether?
5. Which farm has fewer animals in all? $\qquad$
6. Which farm has fewer sheep?
7. Which farm has 21 chickens and ducks altogether?
8. Which farm has more animals in all?

## GROWING TREES

Trees are important natural resources. Find out how many trees Bobby planted in the past few weeks by reading the pictograph below. Then, answer the questions.

Note: each tree in the pictograph stands for 2 trees.


1. What does this symbol represent?

2. How many trees did Bobby plant in week 3?
3. In which week did Bobby plant the fewest trees? How many did he plant that week?
4. In which week did Bobby plant the most trees? How many more did he plant in that week than in week 1?
5. Draw symbols to represent 5 trees.
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## RESOURCES

There are 3 main types of Resources. CUT and PASTE the images under the resource they match!
HUMAN RESOURCES are people who use their skills to produce a good or service. Ex. Teacher
NATURAL RESOURCES are from nature and are used in their natural form.
Ex. Trees
CAPITAL RESOURCES are goods produced and used to make other goods or services. Ex. Buildings, Computers
CAPITAL RESOURCES HUMAN RESOURCES NATURAL RESOURCES


Color each bubble red or blue to show whether the sentence inside is a fact or an opinion.
Reading

Writing

Grammar

Math
Read Aesop's fable, "The Bear and the Bees," and add correct punctuation marks to the story.

Complete the bar graph showing what cities people like to visit.

Create a bar graph of the animals Andy saw on a safari tour.

## Fun stuff

Use this simple experiment to learn how shadows move outside!
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## Fact or Opinion Bubble Pop

A fact is a statement that can be proven to be true. Example: "Spiders have eight legs."

An opinion is a personal view.
Example: "Spiders are the best animal ever!"
Color the bubbles containing opinions red. Color the bubbles containing facts blue.



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## Personal Narrative: Surprise

Directions: Write your story below. Use everything you know about writing strong personal narratives! Include lots of details in the beginning, middle, and end of the story. Add dialogue to show what the people in your story said. And be sure to include a catchy hook and strong conclusion!


Read the sentences below and complete the bar graph by drawing and coloring bars. Then answer the questions.


8 people like Chicago.
6 people like New York City.
7 people like Baltimore.
10 people like San Francisco.
7 people like Detroit.

1. Color the two cities that received the same number of votes red.
2. Which city is the most popular?
3. Which city is the least popular?
4. What is the difference in votes between San Francisco and New York City?

## ANDY'S SAFARI

## PRACTICE BAR GRAPHING

Andy went on a Safari Tour. He saw elephants, giraffes, lions and zebras. Help Andy make a bar graph of the animals he saw!


DIRECTIONS:

1) Title your graph!
2) Label the parts of your graph.
3) Figure out a scale to fit the number of animals he saw.
4) Graph the information.
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## SHIDOWS

Hi everyone! My name is Dill - short for Can Dill. I'm here to teach you about shadows.


A shadow is created when an object blocks light. All solid objects have a shadow. Take a look at my friend here. The shadow on the ground is created by the light of my flame being blocked by the mouse's shape.

When you're outside, the sun casts shadows everywhere. Shadows appear in different positions based on the time of day.


On a sunny day, place an object outdoors. Check on it every two hours. Has the shadow moved? Draw a picture of the object and its shadow in the boxes below each time you check on it.

Make sure to draw the object from the same position!


Where do you think the shadow will be tomorrow at 10 a.m.?

## Week 3 <br> 

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# ANSWER 

KEYS


Use these answer keys to check your work!

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1. What did Molly want to do?

## Reach the highest apple on her tree

2. What helped Molly to reach her goal?

The boxes her mom got in the mail
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4. Match the words with their definition.

5. A blue whale can live to be how old? Answer this question in a complete sentence.

A blue whale can live to be up to 90 years old.

## Name: Answer Key

Date: $\qquad$

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sea
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4. We bought $\qquad$ at the market.
5. The mountain $\qquad$ is 2,000 feet above sea level.
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$\qquad$ in the bag to see if your watch is inside.
steel steal
9. Sunday is the first day of the $\qquad$ week
10. The boy was $\qquad$ after running around the park.
weak week
11. A big accomplishment is a $\qquad$ .
12. Her $\qquad$ were the same size as mine.

13. I $\qquad$ to know what time the play starts.
14. I have to $\qquad$ the dough for two minutes.

Answer Key

## Telling Time to 5-Minute Intervals

Write the time shown on each clock in the space below it.


## 12:20



- $8: 20$


3:40

$10: 35$

$7: 05$


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$1: 45$
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## Tiok-ock: Telling Time: Five Minute Intervals Draw the hands on the clock to show the time.


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## Answer Key

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## Think About It

1. Why do you think community service is important?

## Student answers will vary.

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2. What other types of community service are there? Student answers will vary.

Name: $\qquad$

## Prefix, Suffix, Make Sense of It!

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 at the Grocery StoreMartin and his friends are at the grocery store. Answer each question about making change. Show your work!

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## 5 cents

Name $\qquad$

Date $\qquad$


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## Sample Answers

Date $\qquad$

## Compare and Contrast Main Ideas

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What is the main idea of this passage? Write your answer in a complete sentence. The main idea of this passage is that the platypus is an unusual animal that looks like a

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combination of other animals.
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List two or more important details that support the main idea.

- The platypus looks like a duck, a beaver, and an otter combined.
- The male platypus has sharp, venomous stingers on the heels of its rear feet.
- The platypus is one of only two mammals that lays eggs.
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When it finally stepped out of the water, I saw that it really did have a bill and webbed feet like a duck. But then I saw that it had four feet instead of two. Its smooth fur looked like an otter's, but its body was much shorter. I stared in amazement as the strange creature quickly disappeared into its home in the ground. I'd never seen anything like that before!

What is the main idea of this passage? Write your answer in a complete sentence. The main idea of this passage is that a boy saw an unusual animal while fishing with his uncle in Australia.

List two or more important details that support the main idea.

- While fishing early in the morning, he saw what looked like the tail of a beaver.
- Then he saw what looked like a duck's bill come up out of the water.
- The animal came out of the water, and it had smooth fur and four legs.

Do you think these two passages are talking about the same animal? Why or why not? Use details from the texts to support your answer.
Yes, these two passages are both about a platypus. They both talk about an animal that has a flat
bill and webbed feet like a duck, a flat tail like a beaver, and smooth fur like an otter. The first text tells that the platypus lives near freshwater in Australia, and the second text takes place at a river in Australia. The first text says the platypus is active at night and early in the morning, and the second text takes place early in the morning.

## Learning about Verbs with "ing"

You've probably seen a lot of verbs with "ing" at the end. Verbs are action words and a verb ending with "ing" is one that is used to talk about an ongoing action. Here is an example:

My friend Kitty is reading a story about a princess and a frog.

Add "ing" to the verbs so that they describe the continuing actions in the following sentences. Sometimes you may have to leave off the " $e$ " on the end of the verb before you add the "ing."

1. I am $\qquad$ for the bus with my friend.
2. My cousin is $\qquad$ for the airport in an hour.
3. My mom is $\qquad$ my favorite song.

## throwing

 a surprise birthday party for his father.5. Our class is $\qquad$ organizing a book drive.
6. My brother is $\qquad$ trying to find his sweater.
7. The girl is $\qquad$ a picture.
8. Do you need help $\qquad$ your room?
9. The children are $\qquad$ a fun game.
10. They are $\qquad$ a tree house.
11. My teacher is $\qquad$ our tests right now.
wait
leave
sing
throw
organize
try
draw
clean
play
build
grade
$\qquad$

## Farm Math Table



Number of animals

|  | pigs | chickens | sheep | cows | horses | ducks |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Smith | 5 | 20 | 7 | 14 | 3 | 15 |
| Jones | 10 | 13 | 21 | 9 | 7 | 8 |

## Use the table to answer the questions below.

1. How many pigs does Jones farm have?

10
2. Which farm has more ducks? Smith
3. Which farm has fewer cows? Jones
4. Which farm has 10 sheep and horses altogether? Smith
5. Which farm has fewer animals in all? Smith
6. Which farm has fewer sheep?

Smith
7. Which farm has 21 chickens and ducks altogether? Jones
8. Which farm has more animals in all? Jones

## GROWING TREES

Trees are important natural resources. Find out how many trees Bobby planted in the past few weeks by reading the pictograph below. Then, answer the questions.

Note: each tree in the pictograph stands for 2 trees.
WEEK

1. What does this symbol represent? It represents 1 tree

2. How many trees did Bobby plant in week 3? Bobby planted 13 trees in week 3
3. In which week did Bobby plant the fewest trees? How many did he plant that week? Bobby planted the fewest trees in week 1 - he only planted 6 trees.
4. In which week did Bobby plant the most trees? How many more did he plant in that week than in week 1 ? Bobby planted the most trees in week 2. He planted 8 more trees than in week 1.
5. Draw symbols to represent 5 trees.

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## Answer Key

There are 3 main types of Resources. CUT and PASTE the images under the resource they match!
HUMAN RESOURCES are people who use their skills to produce a good or service. Ex. Teacher
NATURAL RESOURCES are from nature and are used in their natural form.
Ex. Trees
CAPITAL RESOURCES are goods produced and used to make other goods or services. Ex. Buildings, Computers
CAPITAL RESOURCES HUMAN RESOURCES
NATURAL RESOURCES

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## Fact or Fiction Bubble Pop

A fact is a statement that can be proven to be true. Example: "Spiders have eight legs."


An opinion is a personal view.
Example: "Spiders are the best animal ever!"
Color the bubbles containing opinions red. Color the bubbles containing facts blue.



## Complete a Bar Graph

Read the sentences below and complete the bar graph by drawing and coloring bars. Then answer the questions.


8 people like Chicago
6 people like New York City
7 people like Baltimore
10 people like San Francisco
7 people like Detroit

1. Color the two cities that received the same number of votes red.
(Baltimore and Detroit)
2. Which city is the most popular?

## San Francisco

3. Which city is the least popular?

New York City
4. What is the difference in votes between San Francisco and New York City?

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## ANDY'S SAFARI

## PRACTICE BAR GRAPHING

Andy went on a Safari Tour. He saw elephants, giraffes, lions and zebras. Help Andy make a bar graph of the animals he saw!


DIRECTIONS:

1) Title your graph!
2) Label the parts of your graph.
3) Figure out a scale to fit the number of animals he saw.
4) Graph the information.

Safari Animals


Animals

