

Stress-Free

SPELLING

Practice

3RD
Grade

These earthlings are crazy. They say "ate" just like "eight." On my planet, we would just say gerpluxamatorifico



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Syllables

Can you separate the following words with the VC/V patterns? V stands for vowel (a, e, i, o, u) and C stands for consonant (not vowels).

VC/V: Divide the word after the consonant in the second syllable if the first vowel is a short sound.

Example: racket rack / et

Divide the words by using the VC/V pattern.

1. lizard _____

2. chicken _____

3. jacket _____

4. rocket _____

5. closet _____

6. current _____

7. locket _____

Circle the correct way to separate these words using the VC/V pattern.

1. **salad:** sa / lad sal / ad sala / d

2. **model:** mod / el mode / l mo / del

3. **visit:** vis / it vi / sit visi / t

4. **present:** pre / sent prese / nt pres / ent

5. **finish:** fin / ish fini / sh fi / nish

6. **novel:** no / vel nove / l nov / el

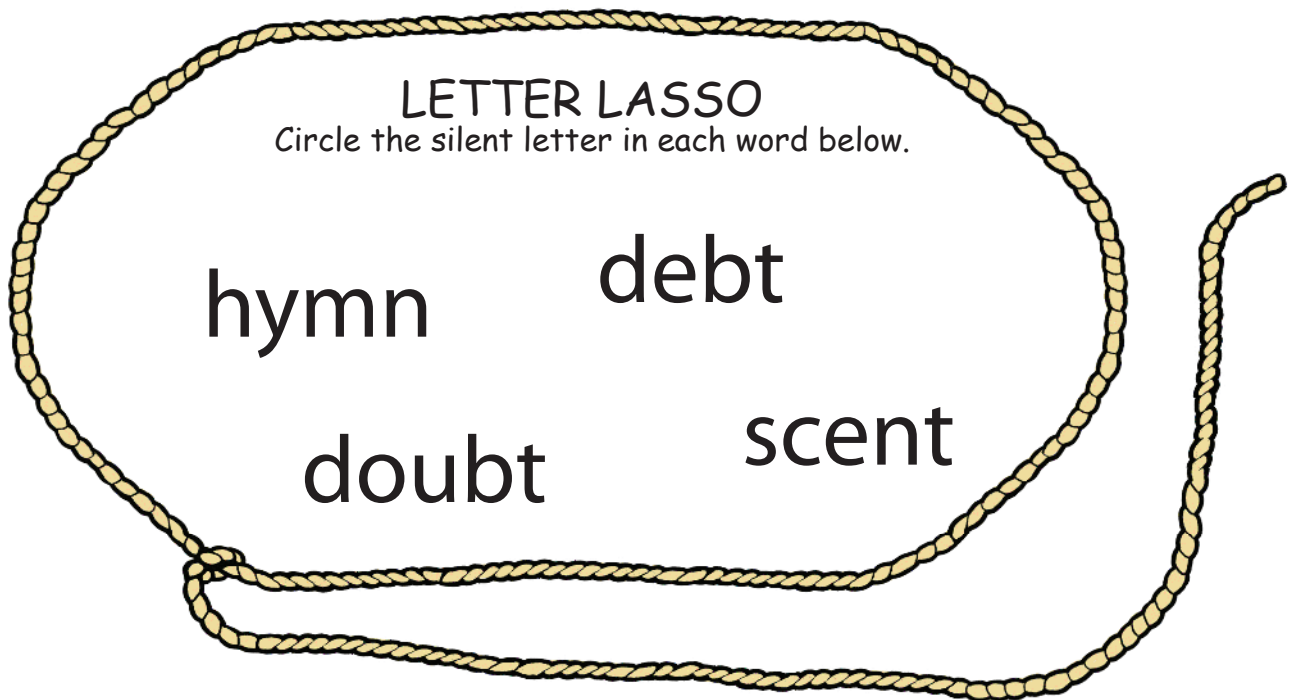
7. **limit:** limi / t lim / it li / mit

8. **lemon:** lem / on le / mon lemo / n



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. knife _____ | 6. comb _____ |
| 2. design _____ | 7. write _____ |
| 3. knead _____ | 8. scent _____ |
| 4. breathe _____ | 9. hymn _____ |
| 5. debt _____ | 10. doubt _____ |



LETTER LASSO

Circle the silent letter in each word below.

hymn

debt

doubt

scent



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. height _____ | 6. bright _____ |
| 2. might _____ | 7. light _____ |
| 3. sight _____ | 8. fright _____ |
| 4. slight _____ | 9. fight _____ |
| 5. right _____ | 10. night _____ |

HOMOPHONE HANG-UPS

From your spelling list, choose the word that sounds the same as the one in bold, but is spelled differently.

A small insect is a **mite**, not a _____.

A piece of land or property is a **site**, not a _____.

A tradition or ritual is a **rite**, not a _____.

Hey Neighbor!

Complete each word with **ie** or **ei**.

Remember, **i** usually comes before **e**, except:

- ★ when it comes after **c** as in **ceiling**
- ★ when **e** and **i** make a **long a** sound as in **freight**

Another word for “get” is “rec__ __ve.”

A person who steals is a th__ __f.

The knight carries a sword and a sh__ __ld.

When you step on a scale, you can see your w__ __ght.

Your pal is also your fr__ __nd.

Santa rides on a red sl__ __gh.

The opposite of floor is c__ __ling.

The ch__ __f is the leader.

You should be qu__ __t in the library.

The number after seven is __ __ght.

The al__ __n is not from planet Earth.



Write It Right 1

Complete each sentence with the correct **homophone**.

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings and meanings.

fair

Do you have enough change for the bus _____ ?

fare

I want to go to the county _____ this weekend!

allowed

I am not _____ to walk alone at night.

aloud

The teacher read the book _____ to the class.

blew

The wind _____ away my hat.

blue

Lily painted her room light _____ .

waste

I wear my belt around my _____ .

waist

It's important not to _____ water.

mist

I almost _____ the beginning of the movie.

missed

James couldn't see through the heavy _____ .

principal

Ms. Emery is the new _____ of our school.

principle

Abraham Lincoln was a man of _____ .

Write It Right 2

Complete each sentence with the correct **homophone**.

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings and meanings.

heard Cows travel together in a _____.

herd I _____ my neighbor singing loudly next door.

steak I ate a large _____ for dinner.

stake Nate put a _____ in the ground.

sealing We finished _____ all of the envelopes.

ceiling There is a spider living on my _____.

creek We went for a swim in the _____.

creak The stairs are starting to _____ loudly.

lesson My mom put ice on my knees to _____ the pain.

lessen I paid very close attention to the science _____.

choose I get to _____ a new class pet!

chews The dog _____ on the bone.

Write It Right 3

Complete each sentence with the correct **homophone**.

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings and meanings.

air

The balloon is floating in the _____ .

heir

The prince is the _____ to the throne.

sent

The dog followed the _____ of the cat.

scent

I _____ my cousin a fun birthday gift.

toad

The car was _____ to the garage for repairs.

towed

A _____ is similar to a frog.

pair

I can't find a matching _____ of socks.

pear

Kenny ate a _____ as a snack.

stationary

Pearl wrote me a letter on her new _____ .

stationery

The car remained _____ at the red light.

berries

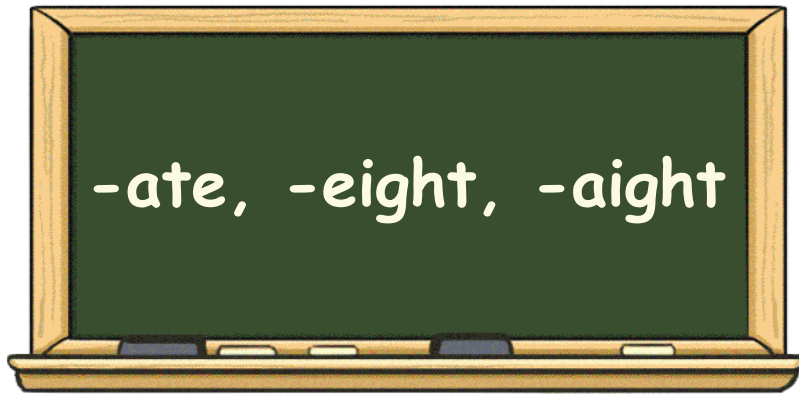
The squirrel _____ its nuts.

buries

We picked delicious _____ from the farm.

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#2



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. eight _____ | 6. mate _____ |
| 2. straight _____ | 7. skate _____ |
| 3. weight _____ | 8. late _____ |
| 4. great _____ | 9. freight _____ |
| 5. plate _____ | 10. crate _____ |

Choose the correct word.

He wants to make _____ for wrestling this year.

- a. wait
- b. weight
- c. wate

He didn't see the road was ending and accidentally drove _____ into the cornfield.

- a. strait
- b. strate
- c. straight

We had a _____ time at the beach today.

- a. great
- b. grate
- c. graight



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. can't _____

6. weren't _____

2. won't _____

7. wouldn't _____

3. couldn't _____

8. that's _____

4. it's _____

9. isn't _____

5. aren't _____

10. shouldn't _____

APOSTROPHE WRANGLING

Put these apostrophes back in their proper place.

w'ont _____

should'nt _____

thats' _____



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. actually _____
2. precious _____
3. books _____
4. action _____
5. enough _____
6. session _____
7. folk _____
8. chorus _____
9. sure _____
10. sixth _____

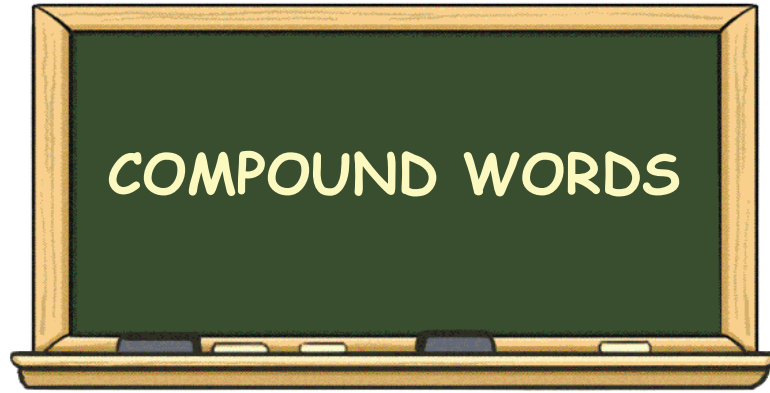
COPY EDITOR

Marshall Mallett is a great reporter, but not a great speller. He needs his article cleaned up before it goes to print. What words do you think he is trying to spell?

“I’m not too **shure** _____ about the future of **acshion** _____ movies,” says film star Maximilian Martinez. Martinez is known for playing tough guys, but those kinds of roles are drying up as the public becomes more interested in lighthearted comedies, looking to be cheered up during these tough economic times.

“More **fokes** _____ these days want to laugh, I guess.”

Answers: sure action folks



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. sailboat _____

6. haystack _____

2. backpack _____

7. popcorn _____

3. notebook _____

8. thumbtack _____

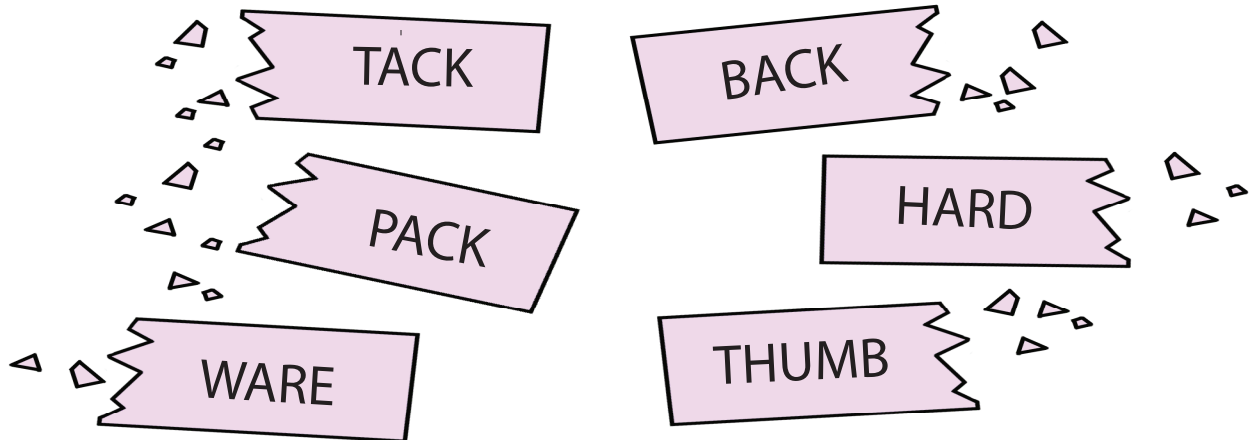
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9. hardware _____

5. keyboard _____

10. earthquake _____

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- | | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. river _____ | 6. wildlife _____ |
| 2. weather _____ | 7. species _____ |
| 3. beach _____ | 8. prairie _____ |
| 4. desert _____ | 9. vegetation _____ |
| 5. forest _____ | 10. mountain _____ |

Guessing Game

Guess which natural feature I am!

1. You can fish in me, or if I'm fast enough, take a white-water rafting trip in me. _____
2. I am hot during the day, and very cold at night. _____
3. I am where the ocean meets the shore. _____

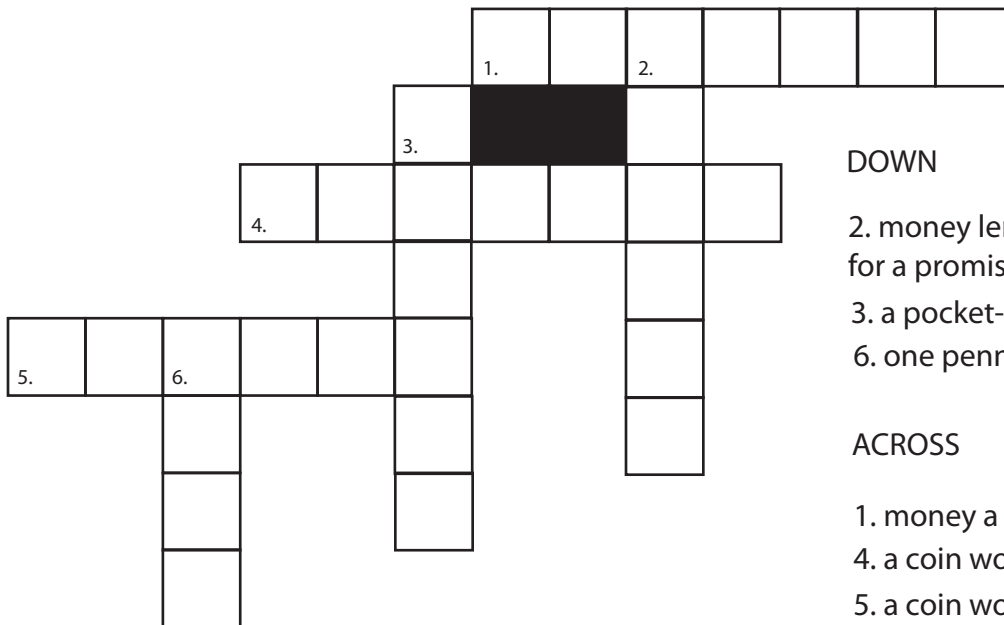
Answers: 1. river 2. desert 3. beach



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. dollar _____ | 6. teller _____ |
| 2. cent _____ | 7. nickel _____ |
| 3. wallet _____ | 8. credit _____ |
| 4. quarter _____ | 9. currency _____ |
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Use words from your spelling list to solve the crossword puzzle.



DOWN

- 2. money lent to a person in return for a promise to pay it back later
- 3. a pocket-sized holder for money
- 6. one penny

ACROSS

- 1. money a person keeps in a bank
- 4. a coin worth twenty-five cents
- 5. a coin worth five cents



1

1. weight _____
2. sight _____
3. super _____
4. dinner _____
5. weird _____
6. chalk _____
7. knife _____
8. magic _____
9. clean _____
10. drink _____

Fold the paper on the dotted line so you can't see the list.
Then fill in the missing words in the story below:

For _____ last night, my family ordered pizza.

When it arrived, I helped set the table by getting out

_____ dishes and pouring everyone a glass of milk

to _____. We were all set to eat, but when we

opened the box, we discovered the pizza was so hard,

it had to be cut with a fork and _____ !



2

1. walk _____

6. night _____

2. dollar _____

7. crowd _____

3. Wednesday _____

8. sigh _____

4. doesn't _____

9. folk _____

5. alert _____

10. mirror _____

Fold the paper on the dotted line so you can't see the list.
Then fill in the missing words in the story below:

On _____, I went for a _____ and
found a _____ on the sidewalk. I put it in my
pocket, but that _____, I decided that wasn't the
right thing to do. I let out a long _____, and the
next day I put it back where I found it.



3

1. animal _____
2. right _____
3. can't _____
4. didn't _____
5. finish _____
6. aren't _____
7. floor _____
8. cause _____
9. lunch _____
10. straight _____

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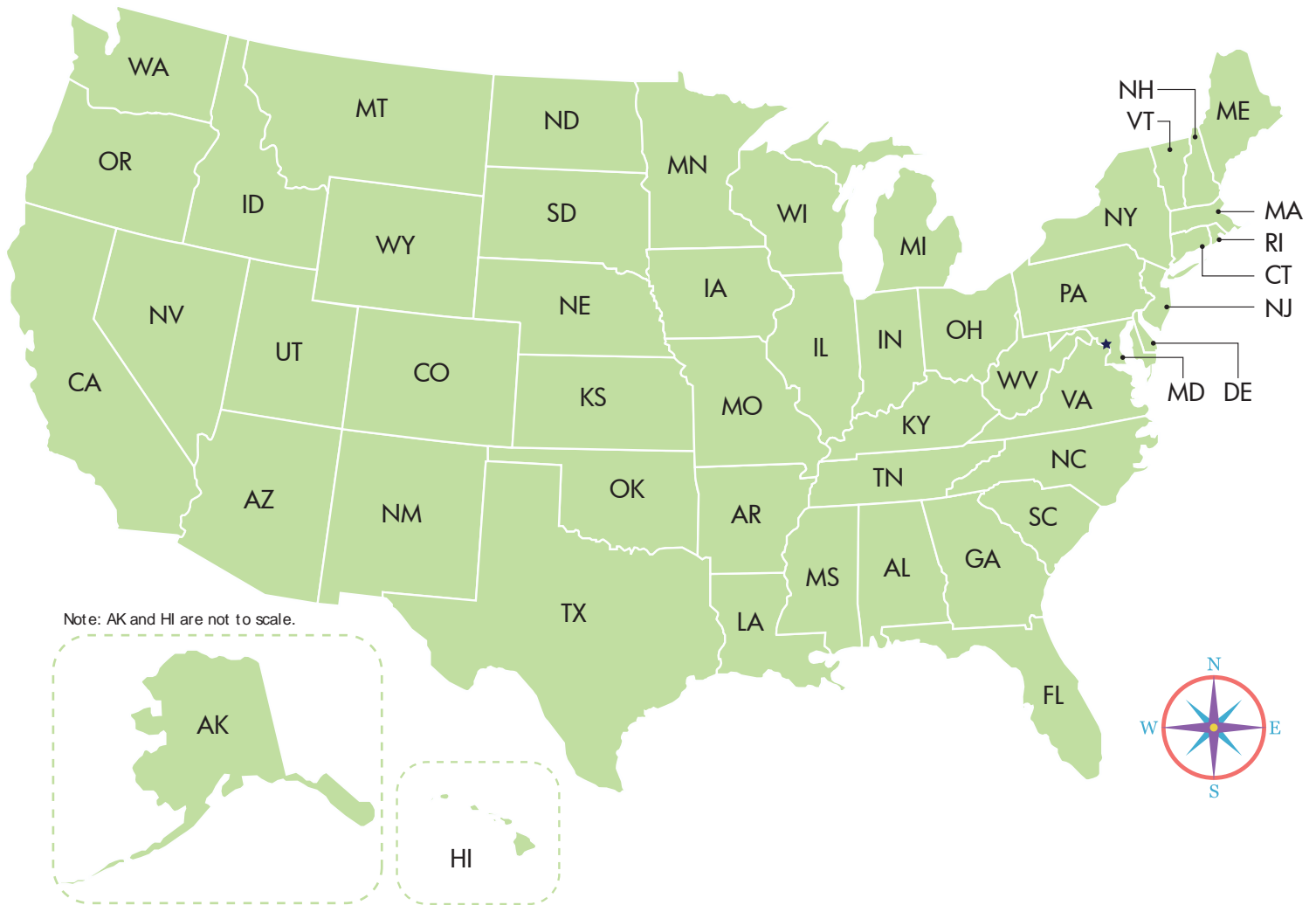
Last weekend, I went to the zoo. I watched the penguins for a long time, because penguins are my favorite _____.

Around noon, the zookeepers came out to feed them _____ . I was surprised when they _____

give the penguins plates to use. The zookeepers put the fish _____ on the _____ !

Make It Short!

Each state in the United States has its own two-letter postal abbreviation. Use the map on this page to find the postal abbreviation for every state.



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Alaska _____

Arizona _____

Arkansas _____

California _____

Colorado _____

Connecticut _____

Delaware _____

Continue to write the postal abbreviation for every state.

Florida _____
Georgia _____
Hawaii _____
Idaho _____
Illinois _____
Indiana _____
Iowa _____
Kansas _____
Kentucky _____
Louisiana _____
Maine _____
Maryland _____
Massachusetts _____
Michigan _____
Minnesota _____
Mississippi _____
Missouri _____
Montana _____
Nebraska _____
Nevada _____
New Hampshire _____

New Jersey _____
New Mexico _____
New York _____
North Carolina _____
North Dakota _____
Ohio _____
Oklahoma _____
Oregon _____
Pennsylvania _____
Rhode Island _____
South Carolina _____
South Dakota _____
Tennessee _____
Texas _____
Utah _____
Vermont _____
Virginia _____
Washington _____
West Virginia _____
Wisconsin _____
Wyoming _____



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. Canada _____

6. Cairo _____

2. Mexico _____

7. Moscow _____

3. London _____

8. California _____

4. Japan _____

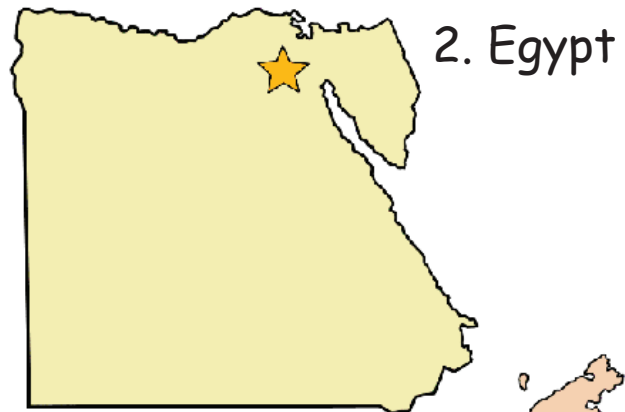
9. Atlantic _____

5. Australia _____

10. Pacific _____

Guess the Capital City!

Write the name of the capital city next to the star.



Answers: 1. London 2. Cairo 3. Moscow

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Unscramble the eleven celestial names to find the hidden name.



snu _ _ _



nomo _ _ _



poult _ _ _ _

heart _ _ _ _



raunts _ _ _ _ _

saurun _ _ _ _ _

crumyer _ _ _ _ _ _



suven _ _ _ _



unpeent _ _ _ _ _ _ _

tipjuer _ _ _ _ _

arms _ _ _

Rewrite these spelling words.

1. artichoke _____
2. papaya _____
3. cucumber _____
4. banana _____
5. carrot _____
6. watermelon _____
7. eggplant _____
8. broccoli _____
9. strawberry _____
10. pineapple _____

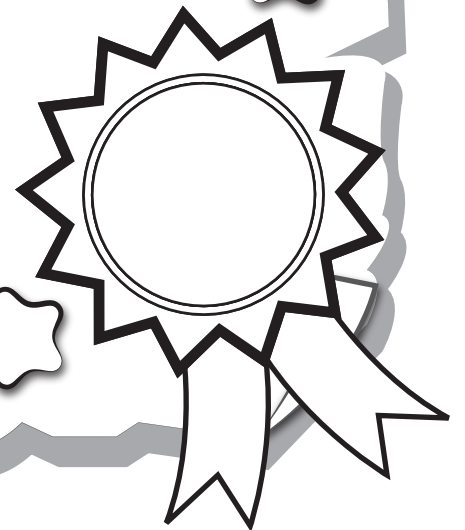
Mrs. Row made these garden markers for all the seeds she planted in her garden.
Label the markers using words from your spelling list.





Great job!

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| 3. jacket | <u>jack</u> <u>et</u> | 4. rocket | <u>rock</u> <u>et</u> |
| 5. closet | <u>clos</u> <u>et</u> | 6. current | <u>curr</u> <u>ent</u> |
| 7. locket | <u>lock</u> <u>et</u> | | |

Circle the correct way to separate these words using the VC/V pattern.

- | | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. salad: | sa / lad | sal / ad | sala / d |
| 2. model: | mod / el | mode / l | mo / del |
| 3. visit: | vi / sit | vis / it | visi / t |
| 4. present: | pre / sent | prese / nt | pres / ent |
| 5. finish: | fin / ish | fini / sh | fi / nish |
| 6. novel: | no / vel | nove / l | nov / el |
| 7. novel: | lim / it | limi / t | li / mit |
| 8. lemon: | le / mon | lem / on | lemo / n |

Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#5



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. knife _____ | 6. comb _____ |
| 2. design _____ | 7. write _____ |
| 3. knead _____ | 8. scent _____ |
| 4. breathe _____ | 9. hymn _____ |
| 5. debt _____ | 10. doubt _____ |

LETTER LASSO

Circle the silent letter in each word below.

hymn

debt

doubt

scent

Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#3



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. height _____ | 6. bright _____ |
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| 3. sight _____ | 8. fright _____ |
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HOMOPHONE HANG-UPS

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A piece of land or property is a **site**, not a **sight**.

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Answer Sheet

Hey Neighbor!

Complete each word with **ie** or **ei**.

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Another word for “get” is “rec **e** **i** ve.”

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The knight carries a sword and a sh **i** **e** ld.

When you step on a scale, you can see your w **e** **i** gh.

Your pal is also your fr **i** **e** nd.

Santa rides on a red sl **e** **i** gh.

The opposite of floor is c **e** **i** ling.

The ch **i** **e** f is the leader.

You should be qu **i** **e** t in the library.

The number after seven is **e** **i** gh.

The al **i** **e** n is not from planet Earth.



Answer Sheet

Write It Right 1

Complete each sentence with the correct **homophone**.

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fair Do you have enough change for the bus **fare** ?

fare I want to go to the county **fair** this weekend!

allowed I am not **allowed** to walk alone at night.

aloud The teacher read the book **aloud** to the class.

blew The wind **blew** away my hat.

blue Lily painted her room light **blue** .

waste I wear my belt around my **waist** .

waist It's important not to **waste** water.

mist I almost **missed** the beginning of the movie.

missed James couldn't see through the heavy **mist** .

principal Ms. Emery is the new **principal** of our school.

principle Abraham Lincoln was a man of **principle** .

Answer Sheet

Write It Right 2

Complete each sentence with the correct **homophone**.

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings and meanings.

heard Cows travel together in a **herd**.

herd I **heard** my neighbor singing loudly next door.

steak I ate a large **steak** for dinner.

stake Nate put a **stake** in the ground.

sealing We finished **sealing** all of the envelopes.

ceiling There is a spider living on my **ceiling**.

creek We went for a swim in the **creek**.

creak The stairs are starting to **creak** loudly.

lesson My mom put ice on my knees to **lessen** the pain.

lessen I paid very close attention to the science **lesson**.

choose I get to **choose** a new class pet!

chews The dog **chews** on the bone.

Answer Sheet

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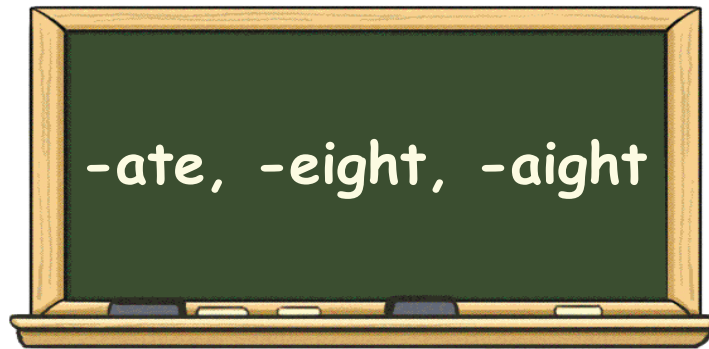
choose I get to **choose** a new class pet!

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Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#2



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. eight _____ | 6. mate _____ |
| 2. straight _____ | 7. skate _____ |
| 3. weight _____ | 8. late _____ |
| 4. great _____ | 9. freight _____ |
| 5. plate _____ | 10. crate _____ |

Choose the correct word.

He wants to make weight for wrestling this year.

- a. wait
- b. weight
- c. wate

He didn't see the road was ending and accidentally drove straight into the cornfield.

- a. strait
- b. strate
- c. straight

We had a great time at the beach today.

- a. great
- b. grate
- c. graight

Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#4



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. can't _____ 6. weren't _____

2. won't _____ 7. wouldn't _____

3. couldn't _____ 8. that's _____

4. it's _____ 9. isn't _____

5. aren't _____ 10. shouldn't _____

APOSTROPHE WRANGLING

Put these apostrophes back in their proper place.

w'ont _____ **won't** _____

should'nt _____ **shouldn't** _____

thats' _____ **that's** _____

Answer Sheet

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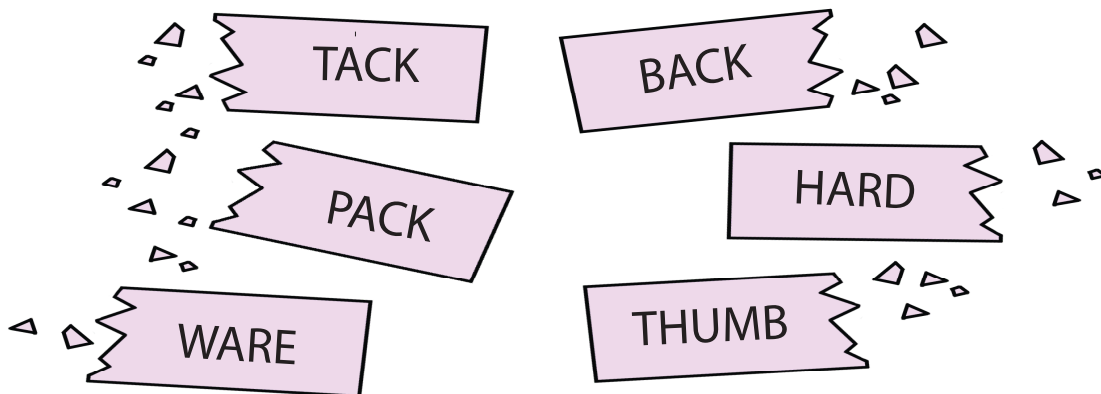
#1



Rewrite these spelling words.

1. sailboat _____
2. backpack _____
3. notebook _____
4. handbag _____
5. keyboard _____
6. haystack _____
7. popcorn _____
8. thumbtack _____
9. hardware _____
10. earthquake _____

These compound words broke during delivery. Match up the bits and pieces, then write the completed words in the boxes below.



BACKPACK

THUMB TACK

HARDWARE

Answer Sheet

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MONEY

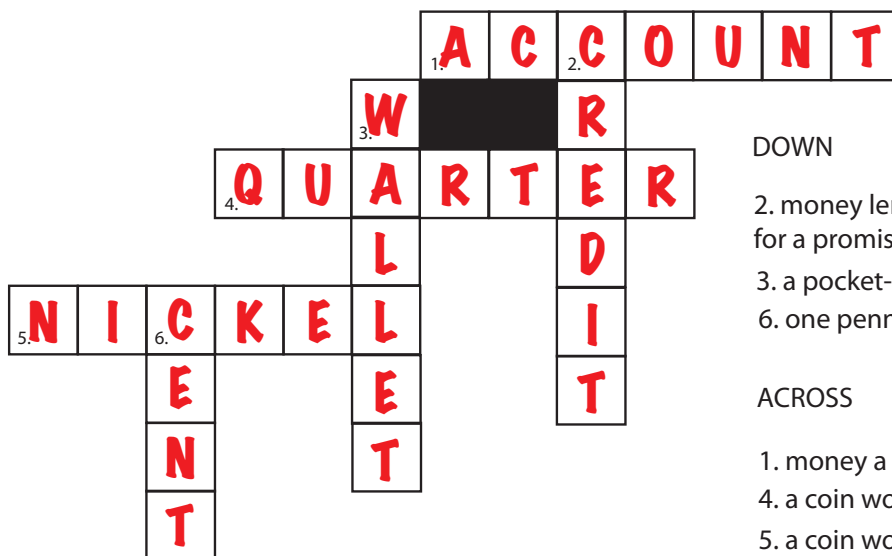
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Rewrite these spelling words.

1. dollar _____
2. cent _____
3. wallet _____
4. quarter _____
5. account _____
6. teller _____
7. nickel _____
8. credit _____
9. currency _____
10. savings _____

Use words from your spelling list to solve the crossword puzzle.



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2. money lent to a person in return for a promise to pay it back later
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ACROSS

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Answer Sheet

Spell It! grade 3

ANSWERS

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When it arrived, I helped set the table by getting out

clean dishes and pouring everyone a glass of milk

to drink. We were all set to eat, but when we

opened the box, we discovered the pizza was so hard,

it had to be cut with a fork and knife!

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On Wednesday, I went for a walk and

found a dollar on the sidewalk. I put it in my

pocket, but that night, I decided that wasn't the

right thing to do. I let out a long sigh, and the

next day I put it back where I found it.

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Around noon, the zookeepers came out to feed them

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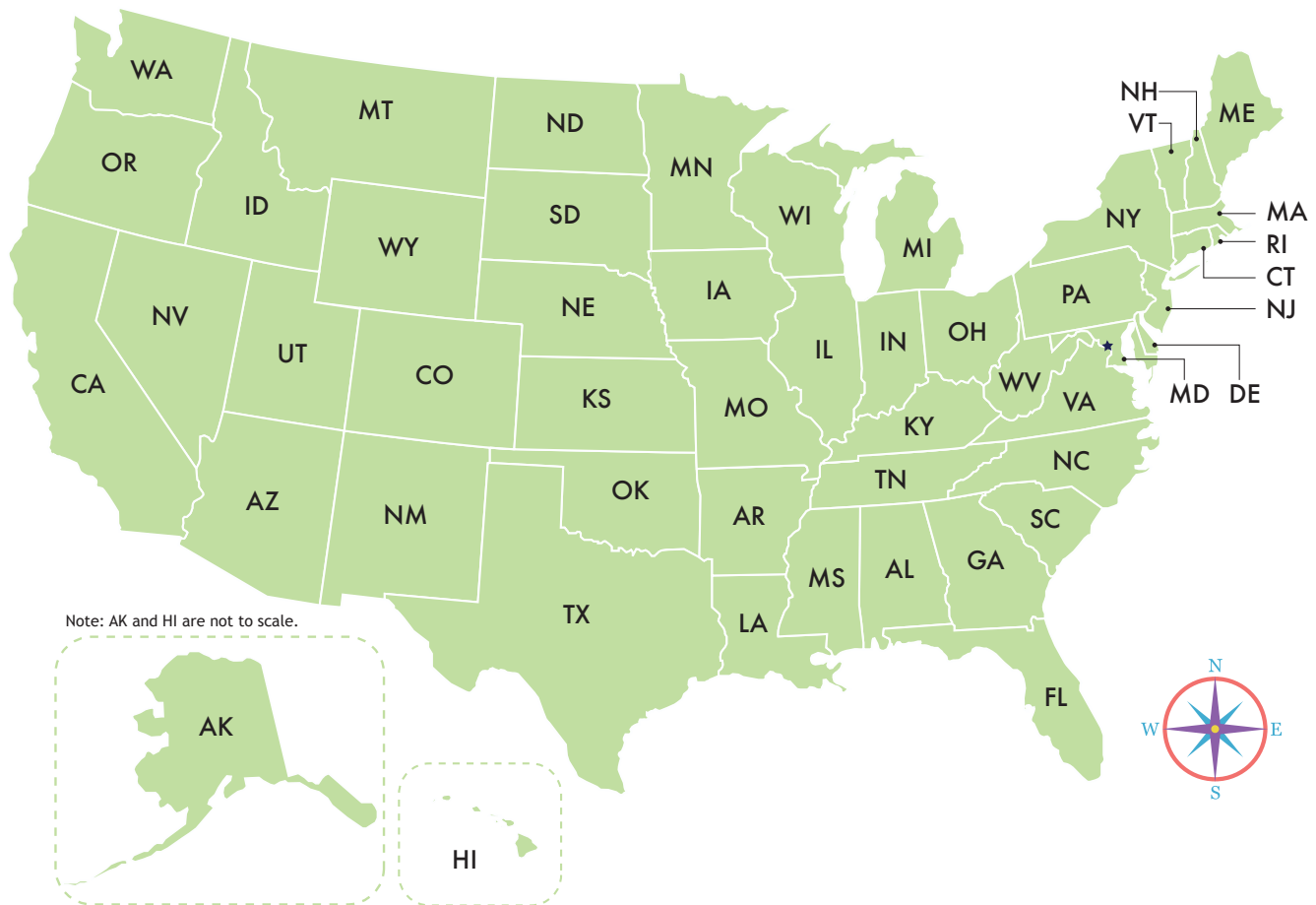
give the penguins plates to use. The zookeepers put the fish

straight/ right on the ground!

Answer Sheet

Make It Short!

Each state in the United States has its own two-letter postal abbreviation. Use the map on this page to find the postal abbreviation for every state.



Alabama AL

Alaska AK

Arizona AZ

Arkansas AR

California CA

Colorado CO

Connecticut CT

Delaware DE

Answer Sheet

Continue to write the postal abbreviation for every state.

Florida FL

Georgia GA

Hawaii HI

Idaho ID

Illinois IL

Indiana IN

Iowa IA

Kansas KS

Kentucky KY

Louisiana LA

Maine ME

Maryland MD

Massachusetts MA

Michigan MI

Minnesota MN

Mississippi MS

Missouri MO

Montana MT

Nebraska NE

Nevada NV

New Hampshire NH

New Jersey NJ

New Mexico NM

New York NY

North Carolina NC

North Dakota ND

Ohio OH

Oklahoma OK

Oregon OR

Pennsylvania PA

Rhode Island RI

South Carolina SC

South Dakota SD

Tennessee TN

Texas TX

Utah UT

Vermont VT

Virginia VA

Washington WA

West Virginia WV

Wisconsin WI

Wyoming WY

Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

#8



Rewrite these spelling words.

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Canada _____ | 6. Cairo _____ |
| 2. Mexico _____ | 7. Moscow _____ |
| 3. London _____ | 8. California _____ |
| 4. Japan _____ | 9. Atlantic _____ |
| 5. Australia _____ | 10. Pacific _____ |

Guess the Capital City!

Write the name of the capital city next to the star.



Answers: 1. London 2. Cairo 3. Moscow

Answer Sheet

Outer Space Word Scramble

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snu **S U N**



nomo **M O O N**



poult **P L U T O**



heart **E A R T H**

raunts **S A T U R N**

saurun **U R A N U S**

crumyer **M E R C U R Y**



suven **V E N U S**



unpeent **N E P T U N E**

tipjuer **J U P I T E R**

arms **M A R S**

S O L A R S Y S T E M

Answer Sheet

3rd Grade
Spelling Test

Fruits and Veggies

#7

Rewrite these spelling words.

1. artichoke _____
2. papaya _____
3. cucumber _____
4. banana _____
5. carrot _____
6. watermelon _____
7. eggplant _____
8. broccoli _____
9. strawberry _____
10. pineapple _____

Mrs. Row made these garden markers for all the seeds she planted in her garden.
Label the markers using words from your spelling list.

