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Learning from Home

2/3B

Group 2
LITERACY



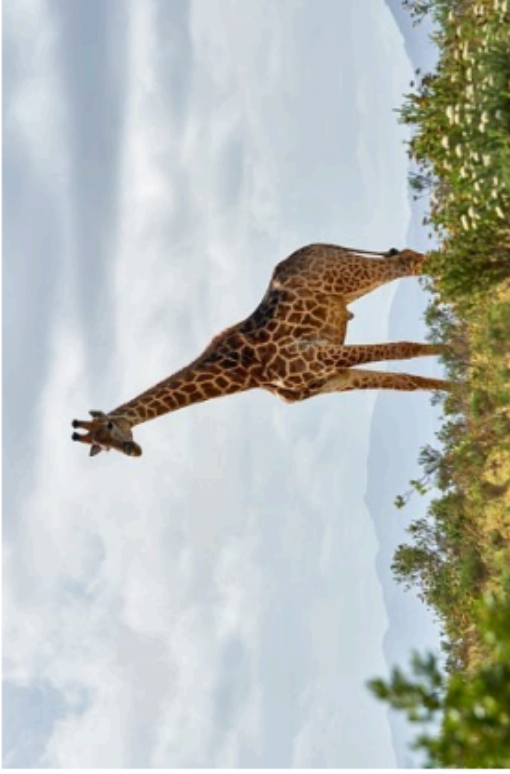
Weekly Spelling Sheet Year 3 week 6

Focus: suffix ure (picture, adventure, pure)

Say the word, write the word	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Red Spelling Words				
picture				
treasure				
pure				
adventure				
cure				
mixture				
Orange Spelling Words				
treasure				
vulture				
fixture				
capture				
signature				
nurture				
Green Spelling Words				
departure				
puncture				
texture				
temperature				
moisture				
mature				



INFORMATION REPORT WRITING Giraffes



Classification

- Mammal
- Live up to 25 years

Diet

- Diet varies during the year
- Dry season = evergreen leaves
- Rainy season = new leaves and stems on deciduous trees
- Eat up to 66kgs of food a day
- Males eat from highest branches
- Females eat closer to the ground

Habitat

- Africa
- Savannas, grasslands or open woodlands

Appearance

- Long neck
- Males grow between 4 and 6m tall and weigh between 800-900kgs
- Females grow between 4-4.8m tall and weigh between 550 - 1,180kgs
- Tails grow around 2.4m long
- Long tongue
- Two skin-covered ossicones

Lifestyle

- Female giraffes live in groups of a dozen or so
- Male giraffes live in herds with other males
- They spend half their time feeding
- Giraffes sleep between 10 minutes to 2 hours a day
- Drink water in pairs, one drinks, the other keeps an eye out for predators

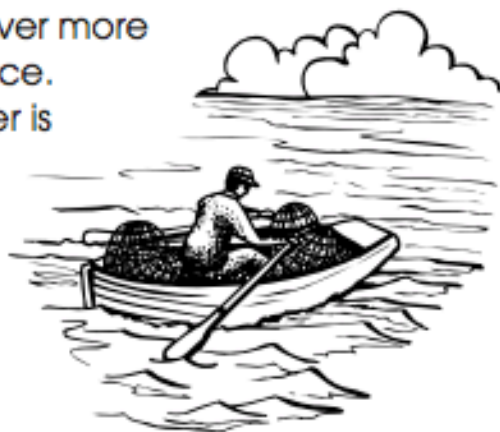
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My Informative Prewriting Template

The template consists of a central circle labeled "Topic" with four horizontal lines for writing. This central circle is connected to four rectangular boxes, each labeled "Fact" and containing five horizontal lines for writing. The boxes are arranged in a cross pattern around the central circle.

Oceans

Oceans are large areas of water that cover more than seventy per cent of the Earth's surface. Ninety-seven per cent of the Earth's water is contained in the oceans. The oceans of the world provide us with many fun things to do. We use them for swimming, boating, fishing and diving, but they are also very important to us in other ways.



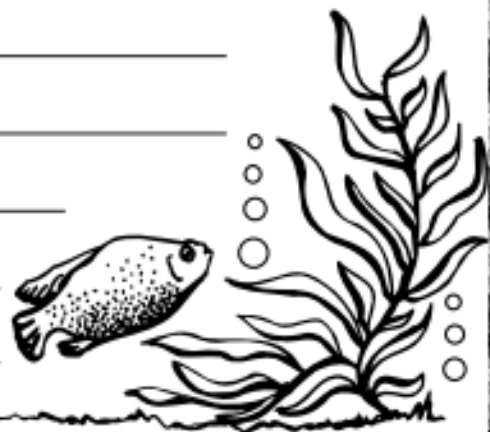
The oceans also provide us with food, energy and minerals and help us transport cargo all around the world using ships. Most importantly, however, the oceans control the Earth's weather. They help keep the Earth from getting too hot or too cold and supply moisture for rainfall. Without the water in the oceans we would not be able to live on Earth.

The floor, or bed, of an ocean is just like the land we live on. It has mountains, hills, valleys, volcanoes and trenches. People love to explore the depths of the Earth's oceans. Some do it for fun while, for others, exploring the ocean is their job.

Write key notes below about oceans. Use these questions to help you with your notetaking.

1. Why are the Earth's oceans important to people?
2. What do oceans provide?
3. What is the floor of the ocean like?

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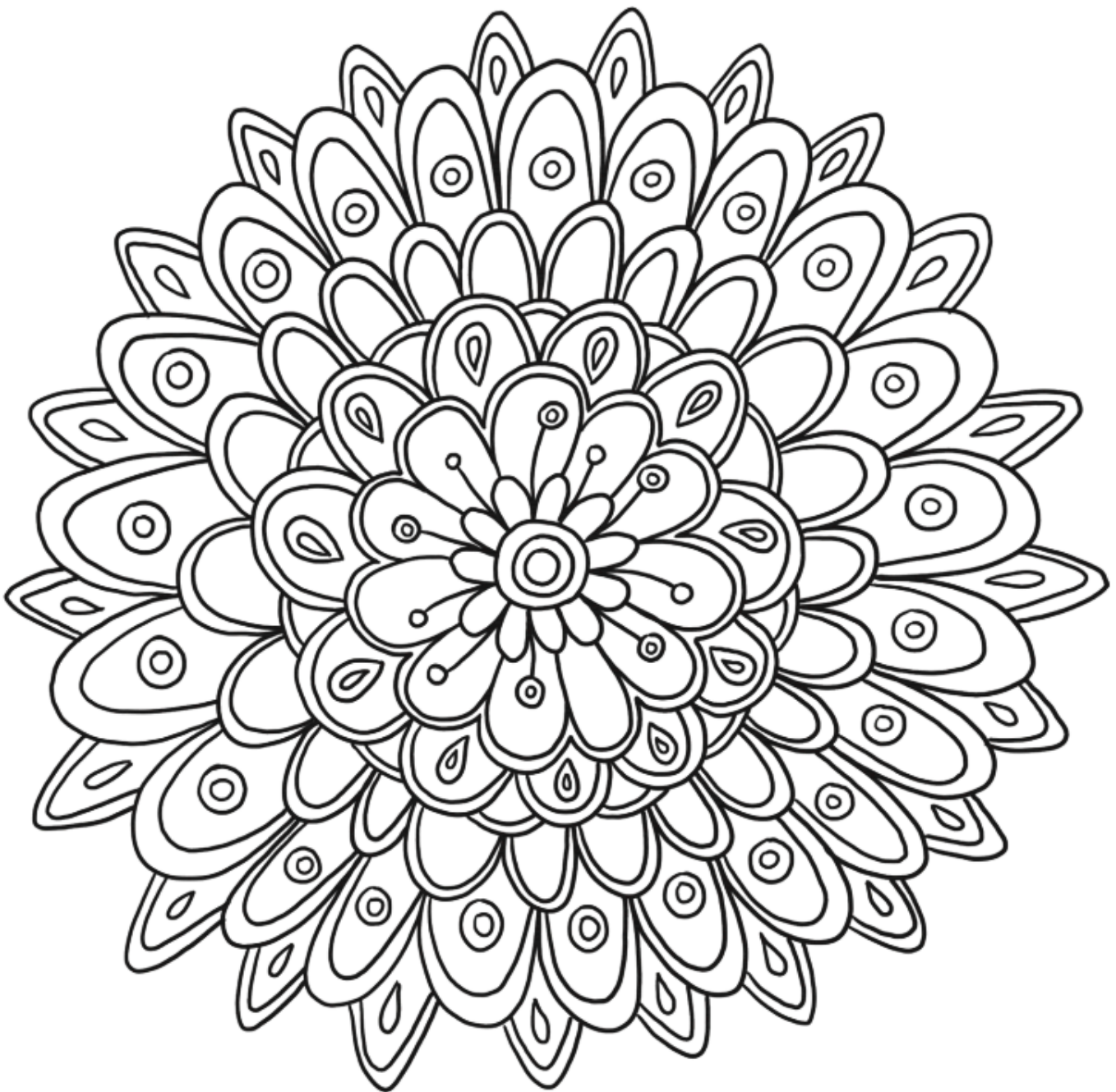
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INFORMATION REPORT WRITING Quokka



Classification

- Marsupial
- Live around 10 years

Diet

- Various grasses
- Leaves
- Fruit
- Berries

Habitat

- Rottnest Island, Perth, Australia
- Humid areas with dense vegetation

Appearance

- 2.5-5kgs
- 40-54cm long
- Covered in short, coarse brown fur
- Small rounded ears
- Black nose
- Short tail
- Claws

Lifestyle

- Sociable and non-territorial
- Live in small family groups
- Leader of the group is a dominant male
- Nocturnal - look for food at night
- Spend the day resting and taking shelter under trees

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Topic

Topic Sentence

Fact

Fact

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Closing Sentence

Matching Collective Nouns

A. Instructions: Fill in the blanks with the correct collective nouns from the word bank. Use each word only once.

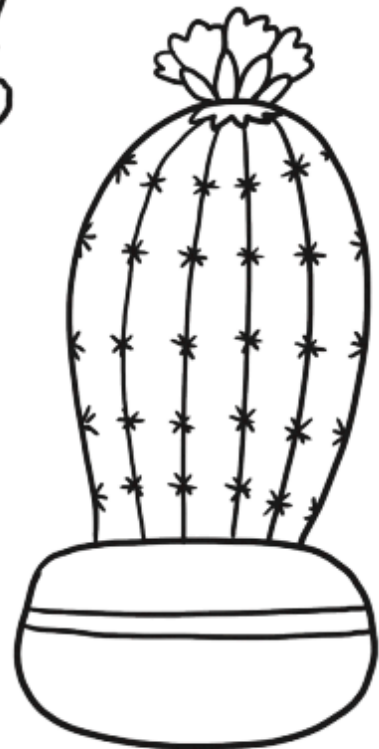
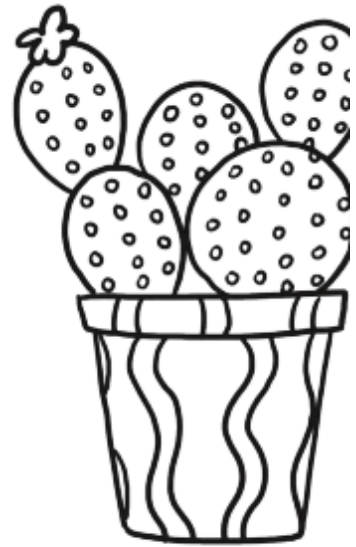
band	bunch	choir	class	deck
department	faculty	firm	flock	herd
pack	pride	school	swarm	team

1. a _____ of wolves
2. a _____ of singers
3. a _____ of musicians
4. a _____ of students
5. a _____ of fish
6. a _____ of lawyers
7. a _____ of cards
8. a _____ of cows
9. a _____ of teachers
10. a _____ of players
11. a _____ of grapes
12. a _____ of lions
13. a _____ of bees
14. a _____ of employees
15. a _____ of birds



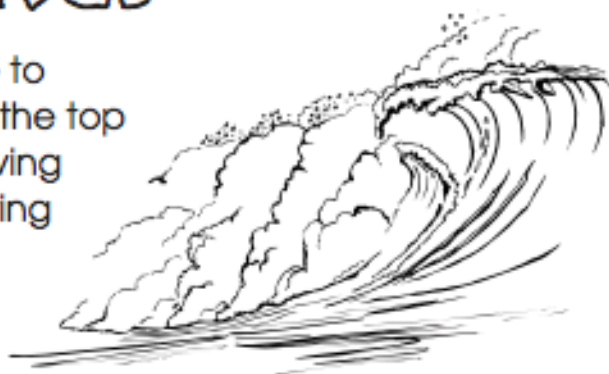
B. Instructions: Choose five of the collective nouns above. Write one sentence with each collective noun.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____



Waves

Waves carry energy from one place to another. Ocean waves move along the top of the water. They appear to be moving forward but they are really only moving up and down. This is the same movement a rope makes when you flick it.



The wind makes most of the waves in the sea. The wind makes the ripples as well as the giant, thirty-metre waves created by big storms. The size of the waves made by the wind depends on how strong the wind is and for how long it blows.

The white foam we see on the sea is caused by waves breaking. This means the waves are as big as they can grow for that wind. These breaking waves are called whitecaps. After the wind stops blowing, the whitecaps disappear, the waves smooth out and may travel along the sea for long distances until they break on the land.

Write key notes below about waves. Use these questions to help with your notetaking.

1. How does a wave travel?
2. What causes waves?
3. What is foam?

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Text 1 – The Beach

Find the mistakes in this text. You will need to:

- find and fix 3 spelling mistakes
- add 4 capital letters
- add 2 full stops and 1 exclamation mark.

tess wondered what they would do at the beach today They
culd make sandcastles and swim. maybe thay could play beach
cricket with ryan and his family. Ryan was camping nearby he
allways knew how to have fun

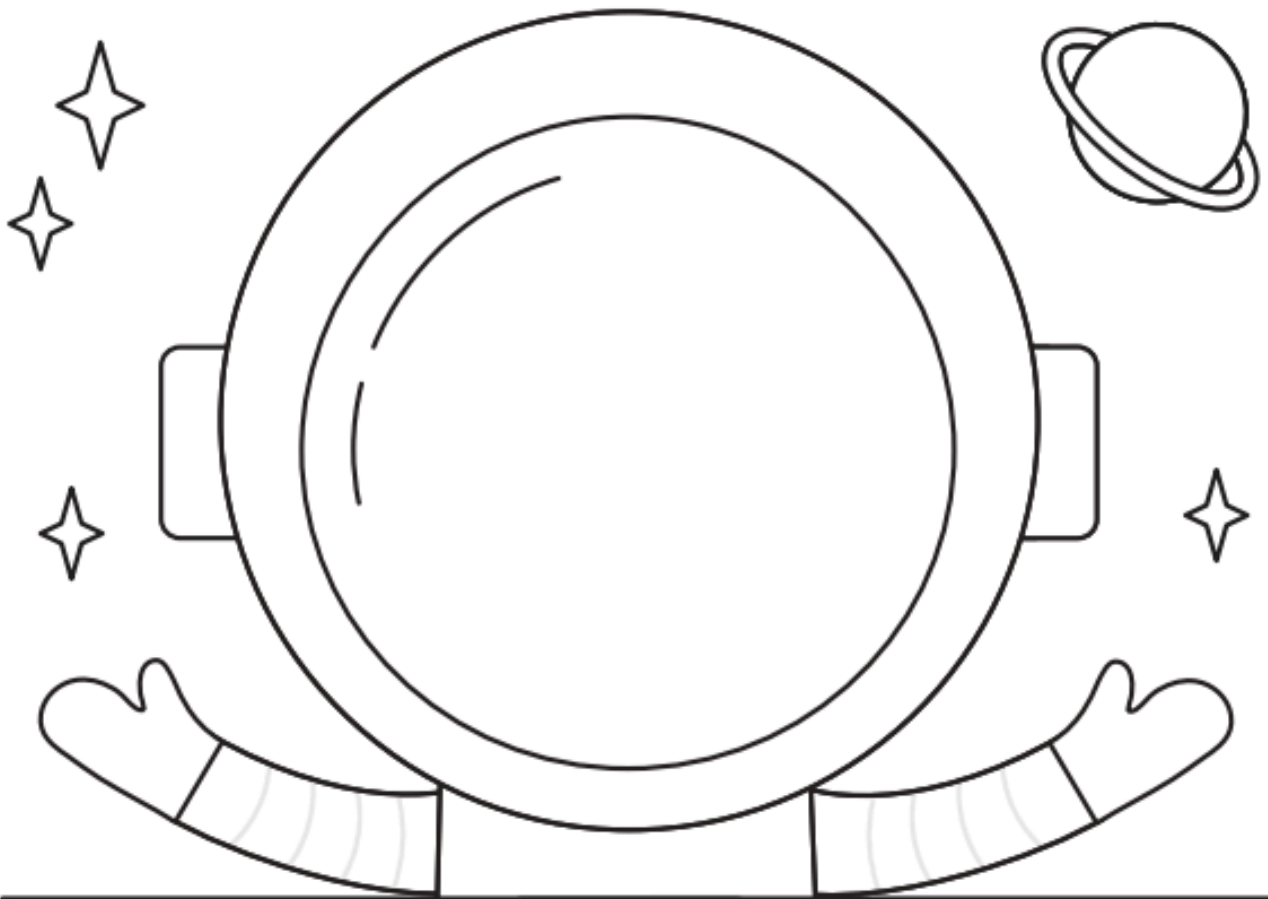
Write the text correctly on the lines below.

'ure' Trigraph Word Search

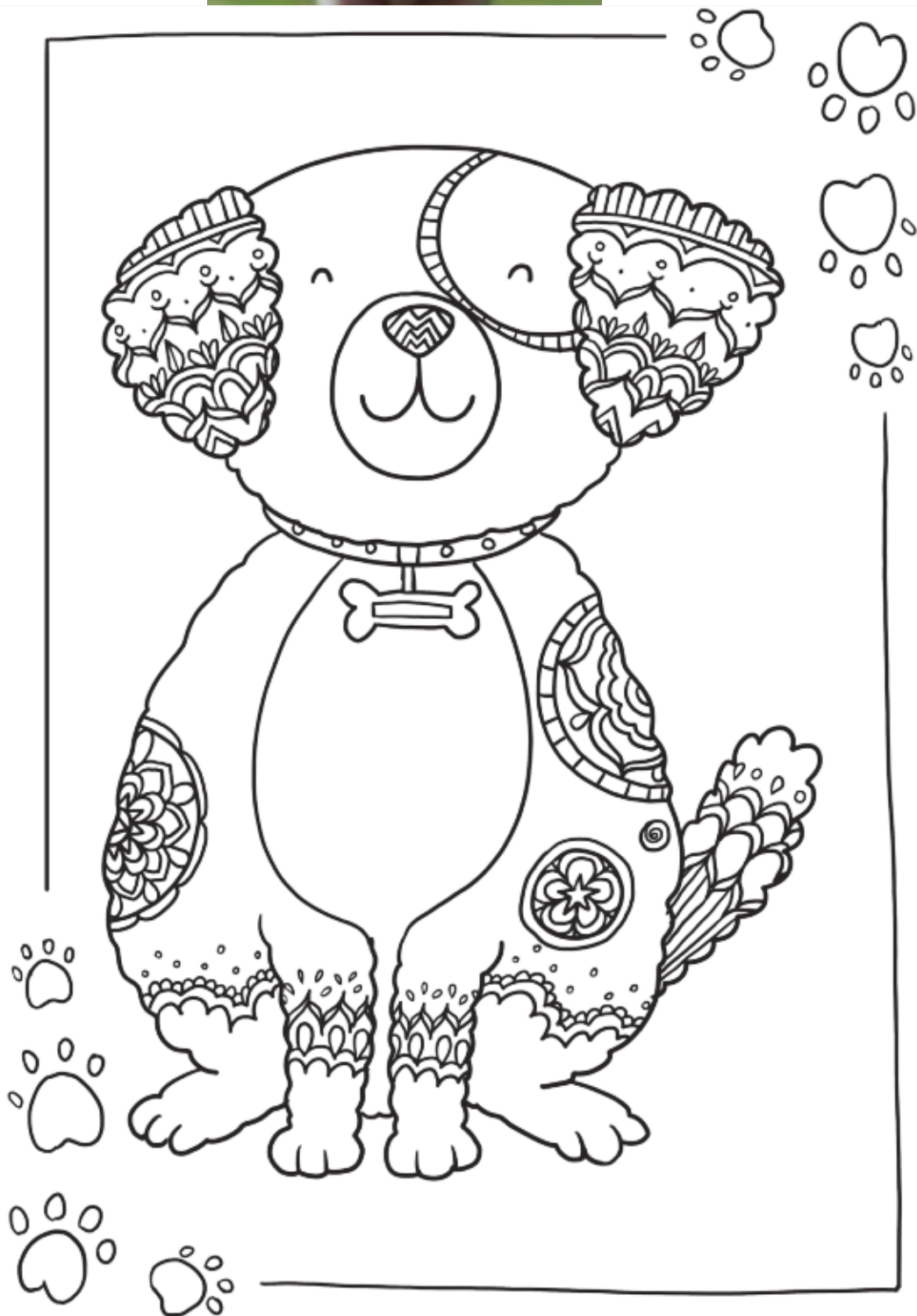
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pure	denture	lure
picture	mixture	manure
cure	secure	mature
vulture	sure	insure





If I was an astronaut...



Tides



The tide is the regular rise and fall of the ocean water. There are four tides a day. Two of them are high tides and two of them are low tides. Once the water reaches its lowest mark (low tide) it rises slowly over the next six hours until it reaches its highest mark (high tide). Then the pattern begins again.

Tides are caused by the pull of the Moon and Sun. The Moon and the Sun pull the water of the oceans towards themselves, a little like a magnet pulls iron towards itself. Because the Moon is closer to the Earth, the Moon pulls at the water more than the Sun.

Tides are very important to people. They help those who use boats to know when they can leave and enter harbours. Many people who fish for a living read the tides for the likely times fish may be on the bite. Tides also help clean out shallow rivers and harbours.

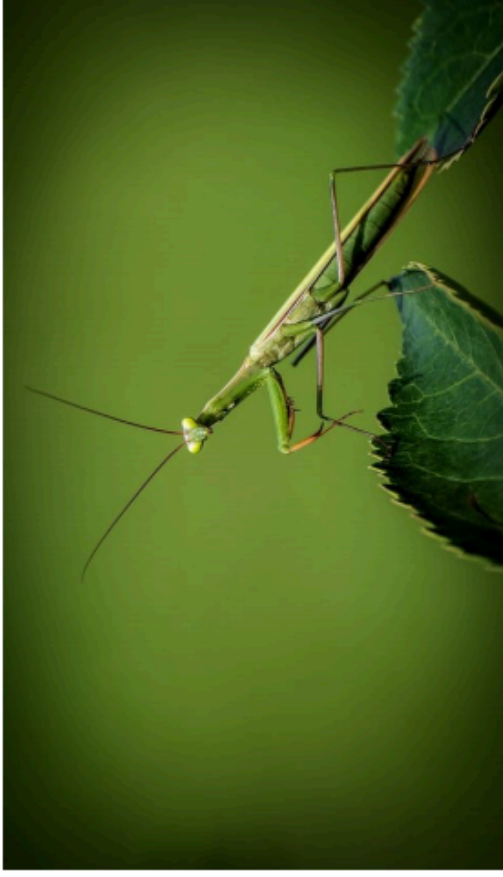
Write key notes below about tides. Use these questions to help your notetaking.

1. What is the tide?
2. What causes the tide?
3. Why is the tide important?

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INFORMATION REPORT WRITING Praying Mantis



Classification

- Insect
- Live for 10-12 months
- Named after their 'prayer-like' stance

Diet

- Eat other insects such as fruit flies, crickets, beetles, moths and bees
- Adults can even kill and consume small reptiles, birds and small mammals

Habitat

- Found in all parts of the world
- Gardens, forests and areas with vegetation

Appearance

- Triangular head
- 5 eyes; Two large eyes and three smaller eyes
- Brown or green coloured body
- Body is shaped like a leaf for camouflage
- Six legs
- Two front legs with spikes too help capture prey
- Two antennae

Interesting Facts

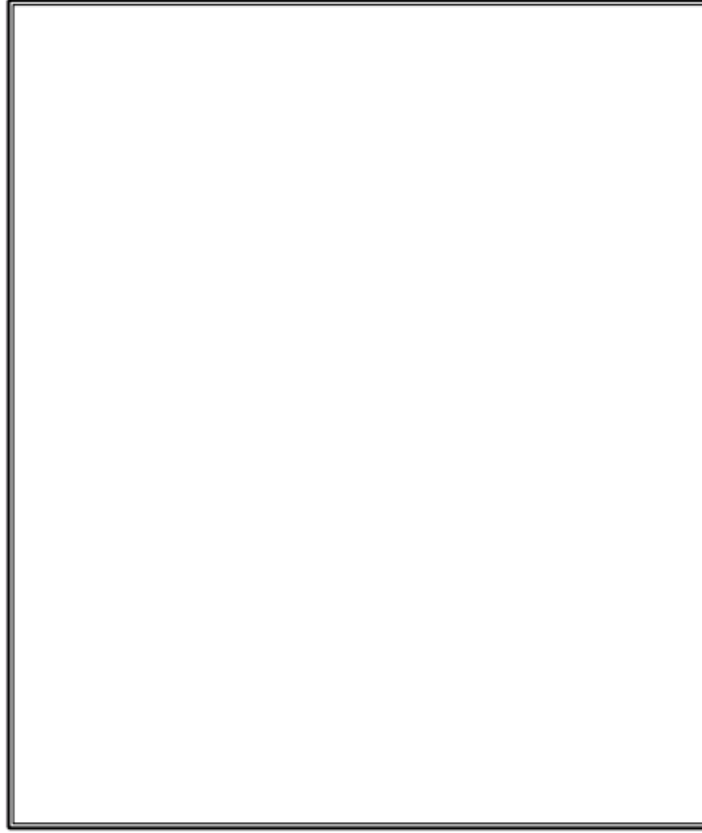
- Diurnal insects - only work and hunt in the day
- Shed their exoskeleton (outer skin) 12 times before growing into an adult
- They can turn their heads 180 degrees
- There are 1800 species of praying mantis around the world

Create your own book on one of the animals in this booklet or one of your choice

INFORMATIVE WRITING

ANIMAL RESEARCH TASK

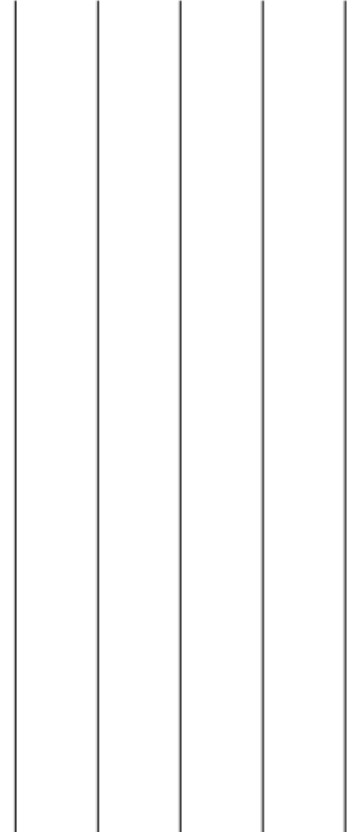
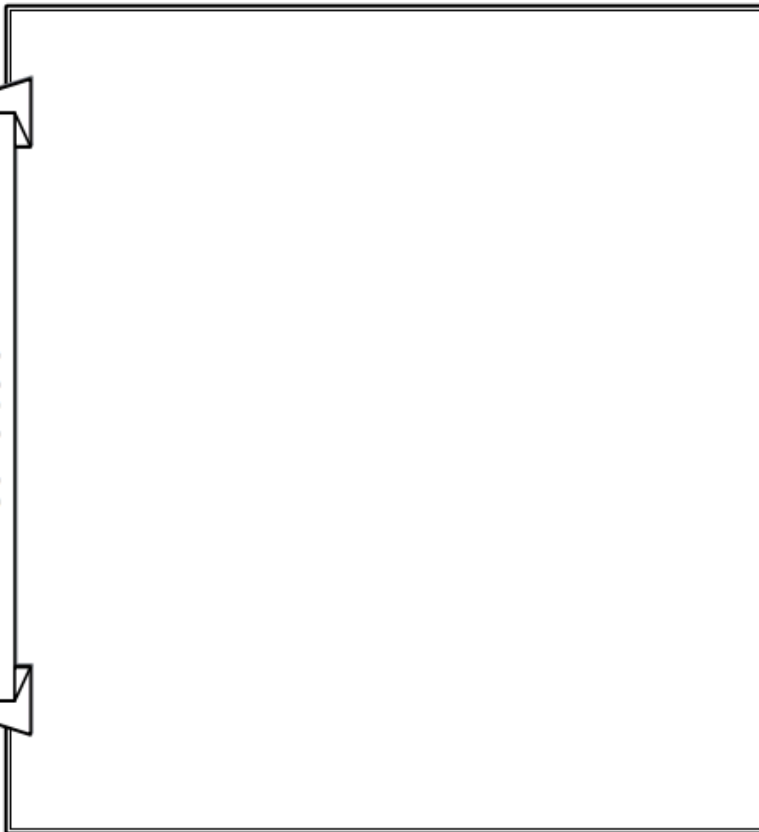
Facts About _____



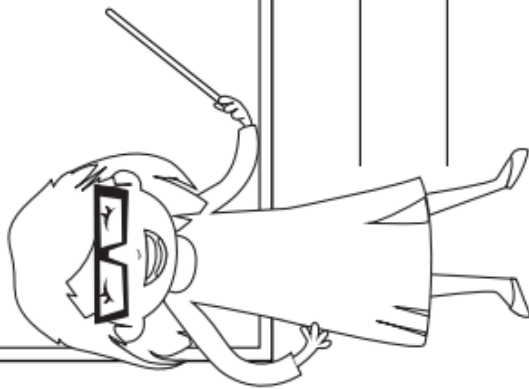
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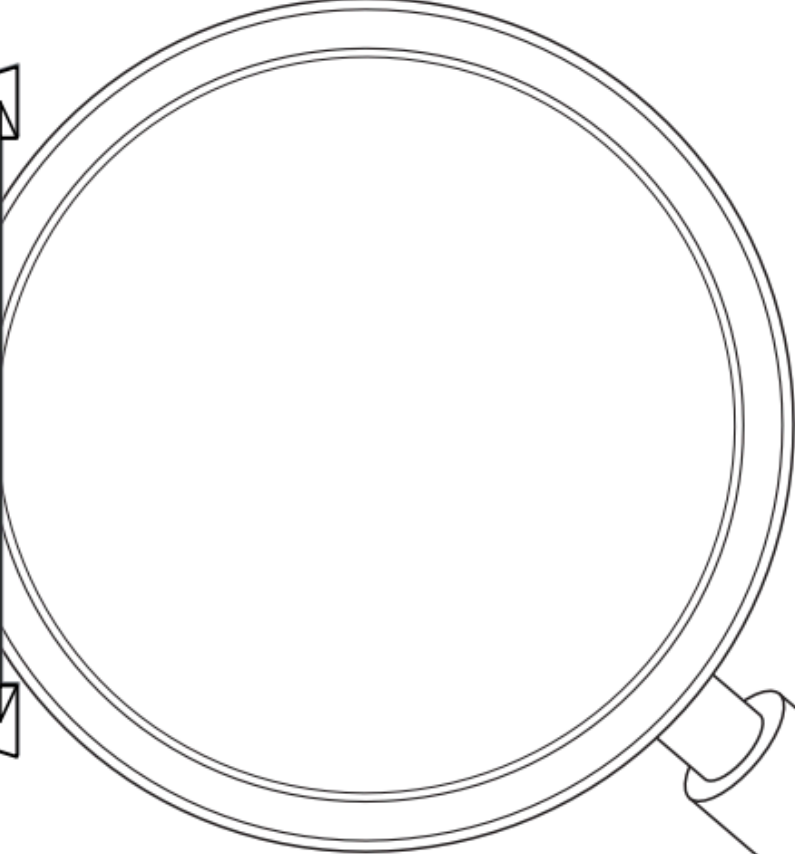
Conclusion

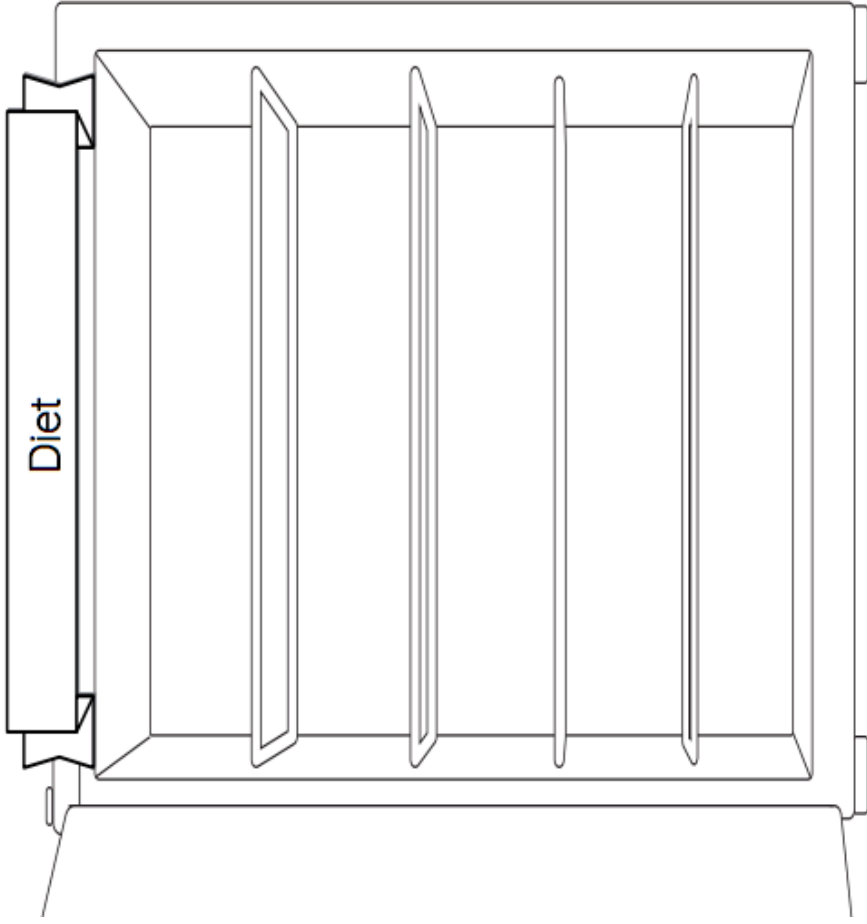


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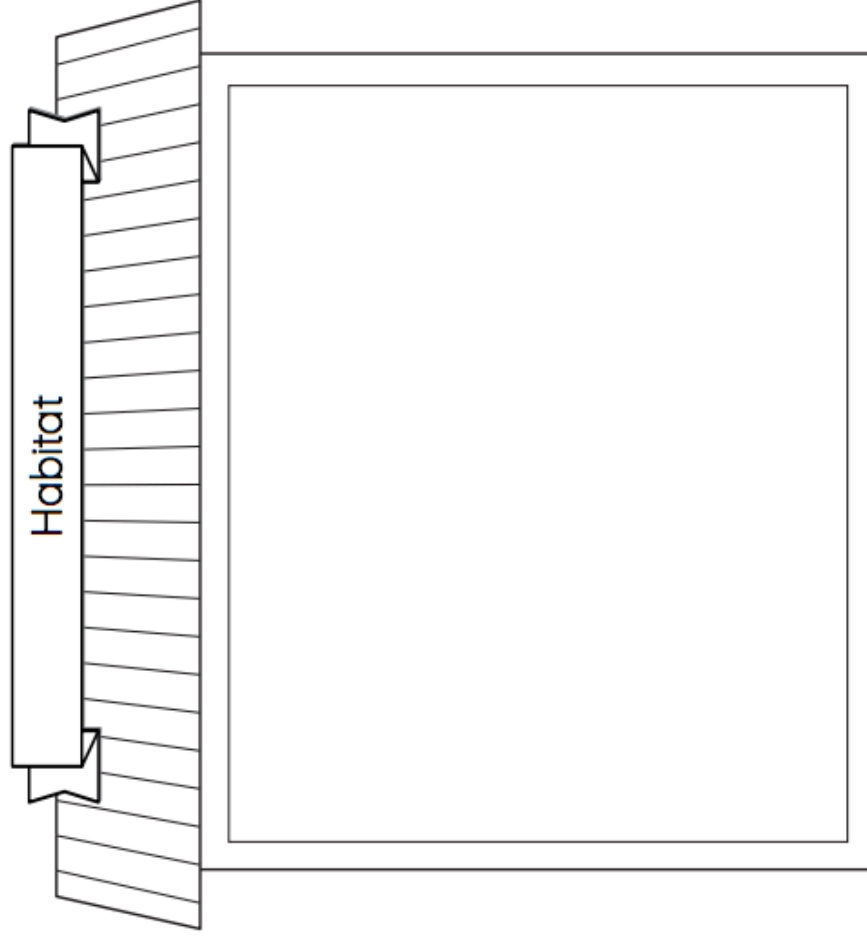


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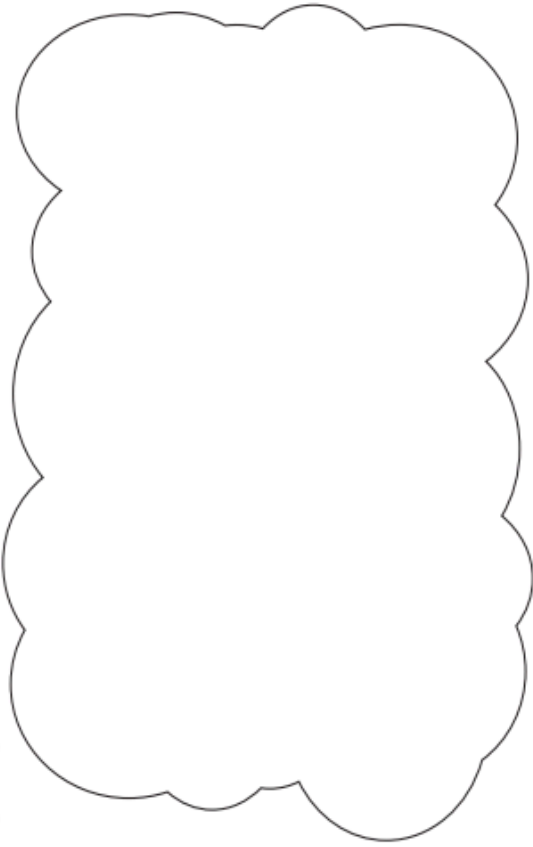


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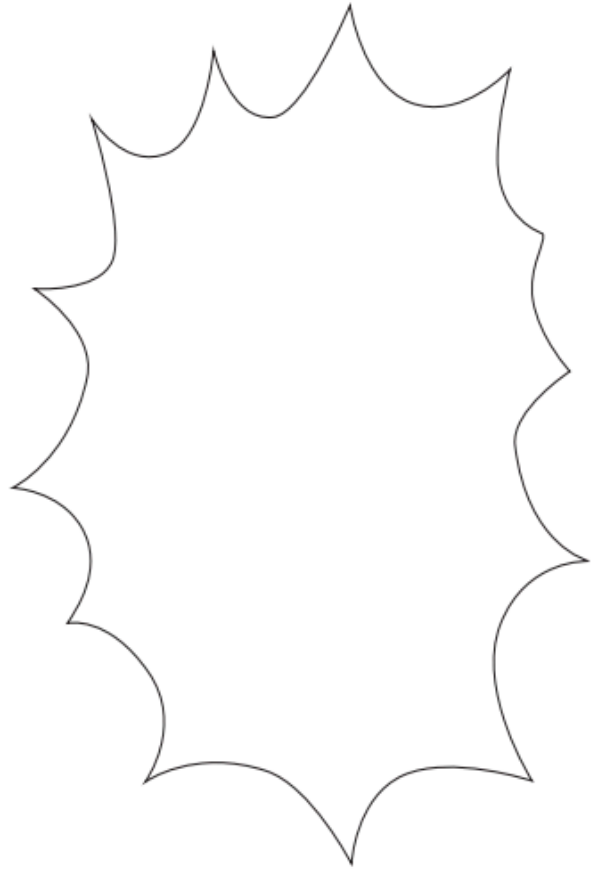


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Is like ...



Is different to ...



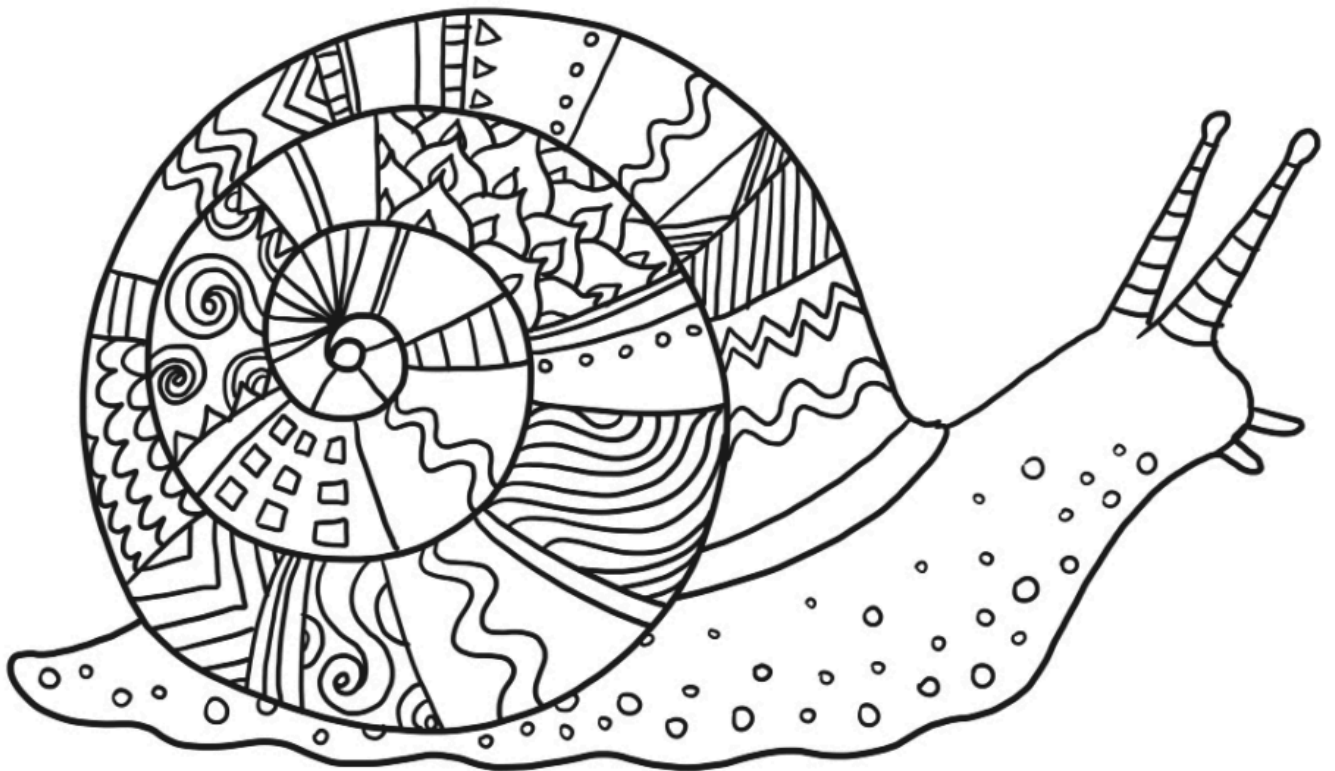
Characteristics



Twelve vertical lines for writing.



HEADING TO THE WEEKEND LIKE



Boggle

Spelling Word Puzzle

C	K	I	S
A	H	N	R
T	I	G	M
B	L	L	E

Word Count

1 or 2 Letters: _____

3 Letters: _____

4 Letters: _____

5 Letters: _____

6 or More Letters: _____

Total Number of Words: _____

Blank writing lines for finding words.

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Commas to the Rescue

I can use commas instead of 'and' when writing a list.



Save your readers by rewriting boring breathless lists and replacing 'and's with commas. Don't forget to leave the last 'and' so the sentence still makes sense.

1	<p>For my holiday I will need a towel and shorts and a hat and goggles.</p>
2	<p>Under the sofa I found an apple and twenty pence and a ticket and a brush.</p>
3	<p>At the zoo were lions and bears and zebras and tigers and snakes.</p>
4	<p>Winter is cold and dark and wet and long and miserable.</p>
5	<p>The bike was new and red and shiny and fast.</p>
6	<p>Fruit is healthy and sweet and colourful and tasty.</p>
7	<p>Her children were called Robbie and Deena and David and Simon and Tim.</p>
8	<p>The shop sold fish and chips.</p>

Word Search

Create a word search using your own words list.

Write your word list here:
