Young Heroes: Rachel Beckwith

Rachel Beckwith is a hero because she figured out how to make a difference in the world. Imagine that a group in your town is offering \$1,000.00 to a person who can make a difference in your community. You have a great idea that you'd like to try. Describe your idea and how you would use the money to make a difference.







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Counting Endangered Animals

How do scientists count endangered animals? It's a hard job just because there aren't that many animals to count. Write what you would tell a friend or family member about how scientists find and count endangered animals. Here are some words you might use.



marks	photographs	Florida panthers		dogs
sniff	fingerprints	radio collar	airplanes	microphones
tails	songs	humpback whales		underwater





The Tides

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about tides. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



coming	going	hunt	low	ocean
pools	pull	rises	six	starfish

The _______ is always moving. Waves roll in, and the water level _______ and falls. When the water level rises, we say the tide is _______ in. Then, after about _______ hours, the water level starts to fall. When the water level falls, we say the tide is _______ out. High and low tides are caused by the Sun and the Moon, which _______ on the ocean. There are two high tides and two _______ tides every day. When the tide goes out, some water stays on the beach and forms _______. Animals, including _______, mussels, and crabs, live in these tide pools. Birds _______ for

food in these pools, and plants grow there.





Coretta Scott King

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about Coretta Scott King. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



Alabama	assassinated	college	discrimination	holiday
married	Nonviolent	sang	speeches	world

Coretta Scott King grew up in a small town	in the state of
While she was studying in	, she met Martin Luther King, Jr.
After they were	, they worked together in the
Civil Rights movement. They went to protest marc	ches and made
about civil rights. They marched, spoke, and	against
violence to try to attain their goals. One of these g	goals was to end
and social injustice.	
After Martin Luther King, Jr. was	, or killed,
Coretta continued their work. She founded the Ma	artin Luther King, Jr. Center for
Social C	Change. She met with civil rights
leaders all around the	She also helped make her
husband's birthday a national	





Monster Stories

Do you think monsters exist, or are they just made up to frighten people? Write what you would tell a friend or family member about the monsters presented in this article. Then ask that person whether monsters are real. Here are some words you might use.



Bigfoot	mapinguary	Loch Ness Monster		Nessie
lake	Scotland	Brazil	bear	beetles
dinosaur	tall	500 pounds	ape	United States

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What's Your Name?

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about names and new words. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



browse	e-mail	electronic	Internet	blogs
library	mail	parents	surfing	web

Many of the names for things we use today did not exist when your ______ were kids. Your parents got their ______ from a mailbox or a post office. In contrast, a lot of the mail people receive today is in the form of

Many new words are needed as computer products are created. E-mail, which is

one of these words, was created from the words _____

and mail. Another is the word ______, which was invented

in the 1980s to describe the system that links computers around the world.

Some older words also were used in different ways. For example, a _____

was once just something that was spun by a spider. Also, _____

just meant riding big waves!

When you ______ in a book store or ______,

you look for a good book to read. Today, you can also browse on a computer, looking

for books or Internet journals, such as ______. New words

help you name all kinds of new things in the world.



The Art of Recycling

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about making art from recycled materials. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



artists	bracelets	chip	jewelry	garbage
reuse	materials	purses	recycled	bottles

Today, art is made from many kinds of _____

_____ use paint and clay to create art, but they also use

_____ materials.

Sometimes, artists say something about our world when they use recycled

materials. A giant white cloud in New York City, for example, was made from 53,000

water _____. The artists used these objects to show how

many water bottles end up in the ______.

_____ designers also make necklaces and

_____ from recycled materials. Bracelets can

be made from braided potato _____ bags.

_____ can be knitted from plastic grocery bags. What

kinds of recycled materials could you ______ to create art?





Guitars: The Kings of Rock

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about guitars. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



elec	ctric	electricity	highest	longest	neck
aco	oustic	pressing	sounds	speakers	string

Did you know that there are two kinds of guitars? guitars don't need to be plugged in. They make _____ when their ______ vibrate. The strings in _____ guitars also vibrate, but pick-ups under the strings send signals from these vibrations to _____. The speakers make the sounds of the strings louder. As their name says, electric guitars need ______ to make sounds. There are many similarities between acoustic and electric guitars. Both have a long ______ that holds the strings. Guitarists change notes by _____ down on the strings. The thickest and _____ strings make the lowest sounds. The thinnest and shortest strings make the ______ sounds. Guitars are popular in many types of music today.





An Island is Born

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about how earthquakes and volcanoes change the earth. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



Earth	earthquakes	islands	large	melt
mud	Pakistan	plates	push	rocks

The ground looks solid and still, but sometimes it moves. Huge
lie just beneath the earth's surface. These rocks are called tectonic
As they move, they against each other. This
pushing can cause the types of movements seen in
and volcanoes.
Small earthquakes don't usually cause much damage, but
earthquakes can destroy homes and kill people. Large earthquakes can also create
in the ocean. The Gwadar mound, which
is an island that was created when a huge earthquake struck off the coast of
, is actually a
volcano. Mud volcanoes explode when the soil and rocks in them get hot enough to
Islands created by earthquakes can appear and
disappear quickly, showing us how our changes.

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Chess: A Game of Kings and Queens

Chess is a board game played around the world by children and adults. There are chess tournaments and championships that involve many players.

What is your favorite game? Is it a board game, a video game, or a game or sport you play with friends? Describe your favorite game and why you enjoy it.



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Hula: Dance That Tells a Story

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about hula dancing and Hawaii. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



dancers	drums	flowers	grass	Hawaii
imagine	story	ukuleles	world	written

Around the	, dance takes many different			
forms. In the state of	, people do a dance called			
hula. Hula wear skirt	s made of			
and leaves. Their bracelets and anklets are made fr	om			
While dancers perform, musicians play instruments,	, including rattles,,			
and Ukuleles look like	e small guitars.			
Many visitors to Hawaii don't know that hula d	ances tell a			
Long ago, before there was a	language, the Hawaiian			
people created hula dances to tell about things that happened and about their				
travels around the world. As you watch the moveme	ents of hula dancers, try to			

_____ the story they are telling.



Young Inventors: Caine Monroy

Caine Monroy invented games that he made out of cardboard. Imagine that you are going to enter the Annual Cardboard Challenge.

What would you build? Describe and make a sketch of your creation. Remember that you can use cardboard and other materials, too. Then go ahead and build it! Take pictures and submit them to the Cardboard Challenge (cardboardchallenge. com). Who knows? You might be the winner and the next young inventor!



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Lasers: The Power of Light

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about lasers. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



colors	DVDs	1960s	inventions	light
low-power	metal	one	scanners	wavelength

Lasers are fairly new	. They were invented	
as late as the	_, only a little more than 50 years	
ago. Lasers are used in the	that read barcodes in	
stores. Lasers also read the codes on the CDs a	nd	
that play music and show movies.		
Lasers have different strengths. The lasers	in toys and barcode scanners are	
lasers. In co	ntrast, high-power lasers are used in	
surgery and can cut		
Laser beams are a form of	, but they are	
different from sunlight. Sunlight is made up of all	the of	
the rainbow. Each color has a separate		
measure how quickly light moves. Unlike sunlight	, lasers have only	
wavelength. Because they can be used in so many ways, many people think lasers are		
one of the top ten inventions of the 20th century!		



New Animal Species

Most people know that some species of animals are endangered and may become extinct. However, most people don't know that scientists are still discovering new species.

Write what you would tell a friend or family member about some of the new species scientists have discovered. Here are some words you might use.



South America	rainforest	Atlantic Ocean	Turkey
frogs	harmless	Carolina hammerhead	scorpion
trees	underwater cave	see-through shrimp	Pacific Ocean

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Public Spaces

Public spaces are places everyone can use—and usually for free. If you go to a public school, you are using a public space. Libraries, parks, playgrounds, and hiking trails are all public spaces.

What public spaces do you visit in your town, city, or neighborhood? What kinds of activities do people do in these public spaces?











Knitting: From Sheep to Scarf

Write all these words in the right places to complete this puzzle, which tells some things you learned about knitting. You can reread the article before you begin, but don't look back at it while you are working. After you've completed the puzzle, read it to someone.



bears	create	clothes	gifts	goats
hair	hats	hospitals	experiment	yarn

Before	were made in factories, people knitted
their own clothes. They knitted sweaters	, scarves, and
to keep themselves warm.	
When you knit, you use needles ar	nd ———. Some
yarn is made from the wool of sheep,	, or llamas.
Other yarn is made from	shed by dogs and cats.
People who knit like to	new things.
Some knitters make hats and swea	aters to give to their friends or family members
as	They may also knit things and donate them to
or o	ther charities. The Mother Bear Project collects
knitted	and sends them to children around the
world. Knitting is a great way to	with colors and
designs.	



