## Fast Forward - Level 21 Bears in Camp

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Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Mike and his friends are going for a hike to <br> a a campsite <br> b a mountain <br> (c) iceberg lake <br> pg 4 | During the night, Mike <br> a takes his inhaler out of his bag <br> b has a really good sleep <br> (c) can't breathe very well <br> pg 13,14 |
| :---: | :---: |
| The group starts singing because <br> a it's a lot of fun <br> (b) it scares away the bears <br> c they are having a concert <br> pg 5 | The boys can hear <br> a people talking about the hike <br> (b) bears huffing around their tent <br> c people singing outside <br> pg 15,16 |
| If a bear attacks, the boys need to <br> a play dead and make a lot of noise <br> b run away really fast <br> (C) protect the back of their head and play dead pg 6 | When Enrique looks out of the tent, he sees <br> a two bears <br> (b) the rangers with their flashlights <br> c people walking around their pg 19,23 |
| On their hike the boys see <br> a two young grizzlies <br> b lots of mountains <br> (c) a large bear with a hump on its back <br> pg 8 | The ranger uses rubber bullets because <br> a they are very quiet <br> b they don't work <br> (c) they don't hurt the bears or people <br> pg 23 |

Fast Forward - Level 21
Bears in Camp
Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition that explains their meaning in the story.

| ranger | patrol | campsite | wheeze |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| adult | inhaler | trudge | commotion |
| pounding | grizzly | binoculars | airways |

adult - a full size, grown up human.
airways - a respiratory passage.
binoculars - a double telescope used by both eyes at once.
camp site - an area suitable for the setting up of a camp.
commotion - violent or tumultuous motion.
grizzly - somewhat grey, greyish.
inhaler - an apparatus used to inhale medical vapours.
patrol - to go the rounds in a camp as a guard.
pounding - beating.
ranger - a person employed to patrol a public reserve.
trudge - to walk wearily.
wheeze - to breathe with difficulty.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 Bears in Camp

Name:

$\qquad$ Date:
Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same sound. They do not have to have the same letters.
Then write three words that you know have that sound.
An example has been done for you. Answers will vary.
Examples shown.

| Word | Write words from <br> the book that have <br> the same sound | Three words of your <br> own that contain <br> that sound |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| bears | there, there's, we're, <br> their, airways | pears, hair, care |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Bears in Camp 

Name: $\qquad$ Date:

Write notes in each section of this writing guide to map the structure of the story.

Orientation: where and when does the story happen?

Describe the major characters:
Describe the minor characters:

Plot: what is the story about?
Event 1:

## Event 2:

Event 3:

## Fast Forward - Level 21

## My Best Friend's a Genius

Name:
Date: $\qquad$
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Miles is a genius because he <br> a invents things that never work <br> b can ride a flying skateboard <br> (c) makes weird inventions that work <br> pg 4 | After the electricity crackles, <br> (a) Gary and Miles hear a voice on the phone <br> b the hyper phone starts ringing <br> c they can't hear anything pg 16 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gary <br> a is also a genius <br> (b) is Miles's friend <br> c has a mobile phone <br> pg 4,5 | The voice on the phone belongs to <br> a an alien <br> (b) a scientist <br> c a neighbour pg 18 |
| Miles is grounded because <br> (a) he scares his mum with his invention <br> b his mum wants help <br> c he uses his mum's mobile phone pg 6 | Miles goes downstairs to <br> (a) calm down his mum <br> b get something to eat <br> c check the computer <br> pg 19 |
| Miles believes that he can use the hyper phone to <br> a land a UFO <br> (b) talk to aliens <br> c talk to a computer <br> pg 8 | Gary discovers that the call is <br> a from an alien <br> (b) from the future <br> c a wrong number <br> pg 22 |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 My Best Friend's a Genius

 Name: Date:Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition that explains their meaning in the story.

| genius | invention | hyper phone | grounded |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| automatic | mobile | logical | research base |
| republic | UFOs | feature | scientist |

automatic - self acting.
feature - main part.
genius - highest level of mental ability.
grounded - withdraw privileges.
hyper phone - a mobile phone to talk to aliens.
invention - anything devised.
logical - reasonable.
mobile - moveable.
republic - a state.
research base - an investigative centre.
scientist - someone versed in science.

UFOs - unidentified flying objects.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> My Best Friend's a Genius

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Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same sound. They do not have to have the same letters.
Then write three words that you know have that sound. An example has been done for you. Answers will vary. Examples shown.

| Word | Write words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| really | three, movie, excitedly | scream, green, people |
| toilet | oceanic |  |
| said | decided |  |
| future | feature |  |
| automatic | about |  |
| brainy | anyway |  |
| sure | so, she, sort |  |
| logical | automatic, quickly |  |
| first | work |  |

Fast Forward - Level 21

## My Best Friend's a Genius

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## Fast Forward - Level 21 New Neighbours

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Alice is curious about the new neighbours because they <br> a are in the movies <br> b are human <br> (C) seem odd <br> pg 4 | Alice thinks that the neighbours are <br> (a) killing people <br> b making toys <br> c doing nothing unusual <br> pg 18 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Alice thinks she sees the neighbours carrying <br> (a) a body into the house <br> b puppets into the house <br> c curtains into the house pg 8 | The neighbours <br> a sell puppets <br> (b) work with puppets <br> c make blankets <br> pg 22 |
| Alice screams because <br> a everything is quiet <br> b she is scared <br> (C) she thinks she sees a hammer crashing into someone pg 12 | When Alice tells the neighbours why she is in their house <br> a they laugh <br> (b) they are very understanding <br> c they call the police <br> pg 24 |
| Alice creeps into the neighbours' house because she <br> a wants to be their friend <br> b wants to say hello <br> (C) is curious about them pg 16 | When the neighbours explain what they do <br> a Alice wanted to go to their show <br> b Alice is no Ionger curious <br> (C) Alice still thinks they are a little bit odd pg 24 |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 New Neighbours

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition that explains their meaning in the story.

| puppet | puppeteer | neighbours | curious |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| sofa | packages | parents | mystery |
| workshop | shudder | peered | odd |

curious - desire to learn
mystery - anything that is kept secret.
neighbours - people who live near another.
odd - unusual.
_packages - bundles or parcels.
parents - father and mother.
peered - to look narrowly.
_puppet - an artificial figure of a person.
puppeteer - someone who manipulates puppets.
shudder - to tremble.
sofa - couch.
workshop - a room or building where work is done.

## Fast Forward - Level 21

New Neighbours
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Then write three words that you know have that sound.
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Examples are shown.

| Word | Write words from <br> the book that have <br> the same sound | Three words of your <br> own that contain <br> that sound |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| shudder | crashing, imagination, <br> shrieked, sure | invention, shaking, <br> commotion |
| annoyed | door |  |
| brought | arm |  |
| neighbours | movies |  |
| true | sure |  |
| crept | leapt |  |
| weurtains | could |  |
| beading |  |  |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> New Neighbours 

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# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> The Riddle of the Camel Race 

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Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| People are afraid of the sultan because he <br> a is made of iron <br> b challenges them in sword fights <br> (C) will put them in prison if they do not follow his orders pg 6 | Ali and Baboo ride slowly because <br> a the camels are tired <br> b neither wants to come last <br> (C) neither wants to come first pg 18 |
| :---: | :---: |
| On his birthday, the sultan <br> a has a big party <br> (b) sets challenges for his subjects <br> c gives his subjects a surprise <br> pg 9 | Shiraz <br> a is a friend of the sultan <br> (b) wants to help Ali and Baboo <br> c is one of the guards <br> pg 20 |
| When Ali and Baboo first hear about their challenge they <br> a laugh <br> b are scared <br> (c) think it isn't too bad pg 12 | After speaking to Shiraz, Ali and Baboo <br> (a) race to the finish line <br> b go even slower <br> c take a different route <br> pg 22 |
| The challenge is hard because <br> (a) the loser will go to prison <br> b the winner will be given a tattoo <br> c they will both be failures pg 14 | Ali and Baboo are rescued from losing the challenge because they <br> a don't finish the race <br> (b) finish the race on each other's camels <br> c walk to the finish line pg 24 |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> The Riddle of the Camel Race

Name:
Date: $\qquad$
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition that explains their meaning in the story.

| sultan | subjects | challenge | kingdom |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| route | anxious | urged | duo |
| tattoo | failure | tension | supersonic |

anxious - greatly troubled.
challenge - a contest of skill, strength.
duo - a pair, two.
failure - to lose.
kingdom - a government with a king or queen as head.
route - a way or road to be taken for travel.
subjects - people who are under the control of another.
sultan - the sovereign of a Muslim kingdom.
supersonic - above audible limit.
tattoo - permanent patterns on the skin.
tension - mental or emotional strain.
urged - persuaded.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> The Riddle of the Camel Race

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 sound. They do not have to have the same letters. Then write three words that you know have that sound. An example has been done for you. Answers will vary. Examples shown.

| Word | Write some words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| about | down, sound | found, ground, how |
| although | know |  |
| route | cruel |  |
| afraid | made |  |
| tension | shaking |  |
| head | bad |  |
| urged | person |  |
| fast | asked |  |
| roared | one |  |

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## Galilieo Galilei and the Beginning of Modern Science

Name:
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Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you
 to answer the question.

| Galileo is best known for <br> (a) inventing telescopes <br> b studying mathematics <br> c his astronomical discoveries <br> pg 4 | Galileo's discovery of the law of the pendulum led to the invention of <br> a a lamp swinging from a chain <br> b the telescope <br> (c) the pendulum clock <br> pg 11 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Physics is the study of <br> a planets and stars <br> (b) matter and energy <br> c astronomy and science <br> pg 5 | Before Galileo's discoveries, most people thought that the <br> a world was flat <br> (b) Sun travelled around Earth <br> c Earth travelled around the moon and Sun pg 16 |
| Galileo was one of the first scientists to <br> (a) watch something and see what happens pg 8 <br> (b) do experiments pg 5 <br> c study mathematics | Galileo believed that the <br> (a) Sun was the centre of the universe <br> b Earth was the centre of the universe <br> c Moon was the centre of the universe pg 18 |
| The law of falling bodies helped scientists understand <br> a gravity <br> b motion <br> (C) motion and gravity pg 13 | The Church didn't agree with Galileo because they believed <br> (a) his ideas were heresy <br> b in the law of gravity <br> c he couldn't prove his ideas pg 19 |

## Fast Forward - Level 21

 Galilieo Galilei and the Beginning of Modern ScienceName: Date: $\qquad$
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition to explain their meaning in the text.

| pendulum | physics | recant | motion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| astronomy | mathematics | physicist | heresy |
| heavenly | axis | gravity | telescope |

astronomy - the study of the starts and planets.
axis - the line which a rotating body turns.
gravity - the force that pulls object towards the Earth.
heavenly - celestial.
heresy - any belief contrary to established theory.
mathematics - science that deals with arthmetic, geometry, algebra, etc.
motion - the way things move.
pendulum - a swinging device.
physicist - a person who studies matter and energy.
physics - science dealing with natural law and processes.
recant - to withdraw an opinion or belief.
telescope - optical instrument for making distant objects appear nearer and larger.

## Fast Forward - Level 21

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Examples shown.

| Word | Write words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| astronomy | bodies, equal, Pisa | grizzly, belongs, wheezing |
| next | pendulum |  |
| inventions | motion |  |
| physics | in |  |
| surface | universe |  |
| failing | creations |  |
| world | first |  |
| science | century |  |
| outer | four |  |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Galilieo Galilei and the Beginning of Modern Science 

Name:
Date:
Use these writing prompts to write a factual recount of Galileo and his discoveries
 about the Universe. Answers will vary.

Write an opening statement about Galileo (Who? When? Where? What?)
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
What events led to Galileo's discoveries about the Universe? (When? What? How?)
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
Complete this fact box about Copernicus:
Copernicus was a famous scientist who lived from _ 1473--1543
$\qquad$
. He believed that the Earth and some of the other planets travelled around the sun.

List the events that happened in the following years.
1610: He made his own telescope.
1616: Galileo was tried for heresy; he was found not guilty.
1632: He put out a new book on Earth's place in the heavens.
1633: Galileo was tried again for heresy; he was found guilty.
Before he died: The church allowed him to spend his last days under house arrest.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 International Trade

Name:
Date:
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you

## to answer the question.

| International trade <br> (a) is countries selling goods to each other <br> b is countries keeping goods to themselves <br> c only happens in Japan pg 4 | Coal is <br> a imported to Japan from Australia <br> (b) an Australian export <br> c is not sold to Japan <br> pg 16 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Countries trade goods because <br> a they like selling products <br> b they like spending money <br> (c) no country can produce everything it needs <br> pg 5 | Australia exports agricultural products to Japan because <br> a Japan has a large agricultural industry <br> b Australia has a small agricultural industry <br> (C) Australia has enough agricultural products to trade <br> pg 19 |
| The population of Japan is a the same as Australia <br> (b) bigger than Australia <br> c smaller than Australia <br> pg 8, 9 | Australia imports motor vehicles from Japan because <br> (a) Japan makes cheap vehicles <br> b Australian companies don't know how to make vehicles <br> c Japan makes a few vehicles pg 21 |
| Japan doesn't have a mining industry because <br> a there aren't enough miners <br> b there aren't any minerals <br> (C) it is too mountainous <br> pg 14 | Japan and Australia <br> (a) are good trading partners <br> b do not trade many goods <br> c are very similar countries <br> pg numbers will vary |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 International Trade

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition to explain their
 meaning in the report.

| minerals | destinations | vehicles | trade |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| manufacture | export | import | mountainous |
| agricultural | mining | international | crops |

agricultural - growing plants or rearing animals for food.
crops - cultivated produce from the ground.
destinations - end of a journey or voyage.
export - selling goods from one country to another.
import - buying goods from one country to another.
international - between or among nations.
manufacture - the making of goods.
minerals - substances obtained by mining.
mining - the action of extracting ore.
mountainous - abounding in mountains.
trade - buying and selling within a country or between countries.
vehicles - means of transport.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 International Trade

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Examples shown.

| Word | Write words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| factories | money, Korea, easy, beef | families, neat, people |
| destination | ship |  |
| highest | iron |  |
| produce | uses |  |
| agricultural | electricity |  |
| sources | ore |  |
| power | products |  |
| trading | major |  |
| particular | are |  |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 International Trade

Name: $\qquad$ Date:

Read the writing prompts in each box. Use dot points to record brief facts under each
 prompt to write research notes about Australia's international trade. Answers will vary.

| International trade is: | Facts about Australia: | Australia's export <br> industry: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Australia's import | Australia's <br> international trade: | Australia's mining <br> industry: |
| Australia's | Australia's motor <br> vehicle imports: | Australia's motor <br> vehicle exports: |

## Fast Forward - Level 21

Life in the Amazon Jungle
Name:
Date: $\qquad$ best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

The Amazon Jungle is a treasure trove because
a there is a lot of money there
b the plants and animals are worth a lot of money
(c) new plants and animals are still being discovered pg 5

The Amazon is a tropical rainforest because it
a is hot and it doesn't rain
(b) rains a lot and is always hot
c rains a lot and is never hot
pg 7

The darkest part of the rainforest is the
a upper canopy
b lower canopy
(c) rainforest floor
pg 16

Flowers and fruit grow in the upper canopy because
a there is more rain
(b) the sunlight makes them grow
c more animals live there pg 10

Fewer animals live in the understory because
a boa constrictors live there
b lots of plants grow there
(c) it is so dark
pg 15

Fungi grows on the rainforest floor because
a it needs sunlight to grow
(b) it grows in dark places
c insects like to eat fungi
pg 16

Large animals live in the lower canopy because
(a) they use the branches to move about the rainforest
b there is a lot of sunlight
c there are lots of flowers to eat pg 12

The Amazon Jungle is in danger because
(a) the land is being cleared
b people use it for medicine
c the animals are destroying the plant life
pg 21

## Fast Forward - Level 21

Life in the Amazon Jungle
Name: Date: $\qquad$
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition to explain their
 meaning in the text.

| macaws | diabetes | products | boa constrictor |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| canopy | tropical | teems | toucans |
| trove | understory | sloth | mammal |

boa constrictor - a large python of Central or South America
canopy - a roof-like cover haning over something.
diabetes - a disease which the body's ability to use sugar is impaired.
macaws - large, long-tailed parrots.
mammal - an animal whose young feeds on milk from its mother's breast.
_products - things people make.
sloth - a sluggish arboreal edentates.
teems - abounding.
toucans - any of the various fruit-eating birds.
tropical - relating to the tropics.
(treasure) trove - anything of great value.
understory - area of a forest that grows in the shade of the canopy.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Life in the Amazon Jungle

Name: $\qquad$ Date:

Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same
 sound. They do not have to have the same letters. Then write three words that you know have that sound. An example has been done for you. Answers will vary.

| Word | Write words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| crowd | around, round, ground, down | found, brown, pound |
| indigenous | jungle |  |
| monkey | metres |  |
| prey | layers |  |
| capture | third |  |
| floor | four |  |
| grow | home |  |
| third | world |  |
| move | through |  |

## Fast Forward - Level 21

Life in the Amazon Jungle
Name: Date:

Look back at the text to help you to write the adjectives and noun groups in the text that answer these questions and build the description of the rainforest. Underline the adjectives in the noun groups. What do scientists call the Amazon Jungle?

What is the Amazon Jungle?

What do all rainforests have?

Describe the top layer of the rainforest.

Describe the toucans' beaks.

What grows against the tall trunks of bigger trees in the understory?

What are small birds safe from in the understory?

What does only 5 per cent of sunlight get through on the rainforest floor?

What are jaguars?

Who has used the plants of the Amazon for medicine for hundreds of years?

## Fast Forward - Level 21 Locust Plague

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Locusts <br> (a) are a species of grasshopper pg 4 <br> b eat meat <br> (C) are grass eating insects pg 5 | Locust plagues can happen after a lot of rain because <br> (a) more eggs are layed <br> b locusts are attracted to each other in the rain <br> c they hatch their eggs in water pg 10 |
| :---: | :---: |
| In the first stage of the life cycle, the female lays <br> a baby nymphs <br> (b) eggs in the ground <br> c hoppers in the ground <br> pg 6 | When locusts form a swarm they <br> a fly off on their own to find food <br> (b) fly in a huge group to find food <br> c lay more eggs <br> pg 9 |
| As the locust becomes an adult, it <br> (a) grows wings <br> b grows wing pads <br> c loses its wings <br> pg 7 | A locust plague is bad for farmers because the locusts <br> a are attracted to insecticides <br> b lay their eggs in the wheat <br> (c) destroy farmers' crops pg 17 |
| Locusts do not cause much damage when <br> a there are a lot of locusts around <br> (b) there are a few locusts around <br> c their numbers are high pg 8 | Insecticide spraying is meant to <br> a kill all of the locusts <br> (b) make the plague smaller <br> c protect the locusts from the crops <br> pg 13 |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 Locust Plague

Name:
Date:
Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition to explain their meaning in the text.

| locust | nymphs | plague | pasture |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| hoppers | swarm | female | penpal |
| species | crops | insecticides | nature |

crops - cultivated produce of the ground.
female - belonging to the sex that brings forth youth.
hoppers - various jumping insects.
insecticides - special chemicals that are used to kill insects.
locust - grasshoppers with short antennae.
nature - the material world.
nymphs - baby locusts.
pastures - land covered with plants that farm animals feed on.
penpal - a person with whom a correspondence is maintained.
plague - an epidemic of high mortality.
species - a group of plants or animals that are the same.
swarm - a great number of things in motion.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 Locust Plague

Name: $\qquad$ Date:

Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same sound. They do not have to have the same letters.
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Examples shown.

| Word | Write some words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| nymph | enough | phone, cough, rough, elephant |
| their | air |  |
| cause | grass |  |
| they | any |  |
| pasture | grasshoppers |  |
| locusts | aeroplanes |  |
| damage | jumping |  |
| especially | short |  |
| distances | species |  |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 Locust Plague

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read Jeff's email. Use the writing prompts to help you to write an email to answer Anne's
 questions. Answers will vary.

Dear Jeff,
I am sorry to hear about your farm. Can you explain to me what locusts are, what caused the locust plague to happen? Could you have stopped it?
Anne

Dear Anne,
It was great to get your email. I will try to answer your questions!

> What are locusts and what do they eat?
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$\qquad$
What happens after a lot of rain and if the weather is right?

Why does this cause a $\qquad$ locust plague? $\qquad$
$\qquad$

What can be done to stop a locust plague?

We hope we will have a good crop next year! What is it like where you live? Jeff

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Papua New Guinea 

Name:
Date:
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Papua New Guinea is <br> a south of the mainland of Australia <br> (b) an island north of Australia pg 4 <br> (C) half of the island of New Guinea and other small islands pg 4 | In Papua New Guinea, <br> a men and women have equal duties <br> b men don't make decisions <br> (C) it is the woman's job to grow food and look after the family pg 12 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Papua New Guineans are mainly a population of <br> a Aboriginal Australians <br> (b) diverse indigenous groups <br> c Native American Indians pg 5, 6 | Wantok is <br> a the main language in Papua New Guinea <br> (b) a system in which people in the tribe help each other <br> c a celebration of dancing pg 11 |
| Many Papua New Guineans live in a traditional way because <br> a they don't want to change <br> b they live in towns and cities <br> (c) people don't travel to other places or meet other people pg 6 | The spirit house is where <br> (a) the head of the tribe and other men meet <br> b the extended family sleeps <br> c good and bad spirits live pg 17 |
| All social groups in Papua New Guinea are based on <br> (a) connections to family, clan and tribe <br> b where people live <br> c how wealthy a person is pg 10 | Performing is important to tribes in the highlands because <br> (a) it helps to bring peace and understanding <br> b it keeps the bad spirits away <br> c they can entertain tourists pg 23 |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Papua New Guinea 

Name:
Date:
 below. Then write a definition that explains their meaning in the report.

| indigenous | traditional | migration | clan |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tribe | culture | thatched | yams |
| stilts | spirits | mainland | remote |

clan - a group of people with a common ancestor.
culture - way of living.
indigenous - native to a particular land.
mainland - principal landmass.
migration - moving from one place to another.
remote - far apart.
spirits - supernatural beings.
stilts - posts underneath any structure.
thatched - material covering a roof.
traditional - a way of doing something, handed down from generation to generation.
tribe - a group of people united by descent, language, or land ownership.

## Fast Forward - Level 21

Papua New Guinea
Name:
Date:
Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same sound. They do not have to have the same letters. Then write three words that you know have that sound. An example has been done for you. Answers will vary. Examples shown.

| Word | Write words from <br> the book that have <br> the same sound | Three words of your <br> own that contain <br> that sound |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| food | group, cool, roofs | soup, school, route |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Papua New Guinea

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read the writing prompts in each box. Use dot points to record brief facts under each
 prompt to write research notes about Papua New Guinea.

Answers will vary.

| Location: | Population: | Describe the lifestyle: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Languages spoken: | Papua New Guinea: | Family life: |
| Housing: |  |  |

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Space Junk, Meteorites and Comets

Name:
Date: $\qquad$
Circle the letter next to the phrase that best completes the sentence. At the end of the phrase, write the page number that helped you to answer the question.

| Space junk is <br> (a) objects made on Earth that end up in space <br> b made from asteroids <br> c found on Halley's Comet <br> pg 6 | Dinosaurs might have become extinct because <br> a a comet hit the Earth <br> b asteroids burned up before they hit the earth's surface <br> (C) large meteorites crashed into Earth. pg 19 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Space junk usually <br> a crashes into spacecrafts <br> (b) lands in safe places <br> c slams into people's houses <br> pg 11 | Comets are made of <br> a rocks and space junk <br> b meteorites and asteroids <br> (C) gases, ice and dust <br> pg 20 |
| Meteorites are <br> (a) rocks that come from asteroids <br> b objects that astronauts have thrown away <br> c rocks made from comets pg 14 | Comets can be seen when they pass <br> a near the Moon <br> (b) near the Sun <br> c Western Australia <br> pg 21 |
| Scientist believe that <br> a Earth and Mars may have been the same planet <br> (b) Earth and the Moon may have been the same planet <br> c Earth, Mars and the moon may pg 17 | Halley's Comet is likely to be visible again in <br> (a) 2062 <br> b 2026 <br> c 3062 <br> pg 21 |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Space Junk, Meteorites and Comets 

Name: Date:

Read each word in the box. Rewrite the words in dictionary order on the lines below. Then write a definition to explain their meaning in the report.

| space junk | meteorites | comets | asteroids |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| nucleus | serene | propelled | reactor |
| satellites | survive | coma | tail |

asteroids - large rocks that travel through space.
coma - state of prolonged unconsciousness.
comets - bodies of frozen gases, ice and dust that travel through space.
meteorites - meteors that have landed on Earth.
nucleus - central part of a thing.
__propelled - moved, driven forwards.
reactor - a substance undergoing a reaction.
satellites - machines that orbit Earth, used for communication.
serene - calm; peaceful.
space junk - objects that originate on Earth, ending up in space.
survive - to remain alive.
tail - the concluding part of anything.

## Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Space Junk, Meteorites and Comets

Name: $\qquad$ .. Date: $\qquad$
Read each word. Listen to the sound made by the underlined letters in the word. Write words from the book that have the same , sound. They do not have to have the same letters. Then write three words that you know have that sound. An example has been done for you. Answers will vary.

| Word | Write words from the book that have the same sound | Three words of your own that contain that sound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| pieces | meteorites, Halley's, speeding, everything | mysteries, designed, electricity |
| mission | history |  |
| designed | dynamite |  |
| Moon | during |  |
| nowhere | appears |  |
| burn | hurtling |  |
| Off | enough |  |
| caused | calm |  |
| vast | satellite |  |

# Fast Forward - Level 21 <br> Space Junk, Meteorites and Comets 

Name: $\qquad$ Date:
Read the writing prompts in each box. Use dot points to record brief facts under each
 prompt to write research notes about space junk, meteorites and comets. Answers will vary.

| What is space junk? | How does space junk <br> travel? | What happens to <br> space junk? |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Skylab: | space junk, <br> meteorites and <br> comets: | Describe meteorites <br> and asteroids: |
| Studying meteorites: | Describe comets: | Halley's Comet: |
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