

DAILY Word Ladders

Grades 2–3

by Timothy Rasinski
Kent State University

New York • Toronto • London • Auckland • Sydney
Mexico City • New Delhi • Hong Kong • Buenos Aires

Teachin
Resources

To my children—Mike, Emily, Mary, and Jenny—
Word Wizards in their own right.

A father couldn't ask for better kids.



Scholastic Inc. grants teachers permission to photocopy the reproducible pages in this book for classroom use. No other part of this publication may be reproduced in whole or in part, or stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without written permission of the publisher. For information regarding permission, write to Permissions, Scholastic Inc., 557 Broadway, New York, NY 10012.

Cover design by Maria Lilja

Interior design by Ellen Matlach for Boultinghouse & Boultinghouse, Inc.

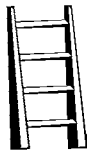
Interior illustrations by Teresa Anderko

ISBN: 0-439-51383-9

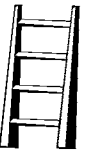
Copyright © 2005 by Timothy Rasinski

All rights reserved. Printed in the U.S.A.

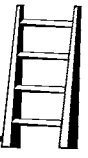
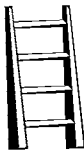
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 40 13 12 11 10 09 08 07 06 05



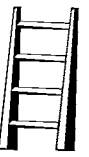
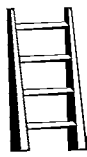
Contents



Welcome to Word Ladders!	5	Neigh-bors	34
Counting Up	7	Giving and Receiving	35
Home, Sweet Home	8	Getting There	36
In the Doghouse	9	Splish Splash	37
Shrinking Sizes	10	Fancy Footwear	38
All Wet	11	Shopping Spree	39
Go, Team!	12	Sweet Things	40
Sweet Seasons	13	Woodsman	41
Art Smart	14	Thar She Blows!	42
Sleepytime	15	Holiday Candy	43
More or Less	16	Car Trip	44
Barbershop	17	Friendship	45
Inside Out	18	Great Grapes	46
Weighty Matters	19	Busy Bees	47
Restful Vacation	20	Ship Ahoy	48
Gardening	21	Score!	49
Birdsong	22	Personality Change	50
Shady Glade	23	Ride 'Em	51
School Days	24	Love Life	52
Transportation	25	Underfoot	53
Good Cooking	26	Bare Feet	54
America's Pastime	27	Color Change	55
Sweet Treats	28	Deep Freeze	56
Finish Line	29	In the Kitchen	57
Fireworks	30	Giving Thanks	58
Opposites Attract	31	On the Range	59
Seasoning Selection	32	Vehicles	60
Displays of Affection	33	Hungry!	61



Opposites Attract #2	62	Animal Enemies	90
Nap Time	63	Five Senses	91
City Living	64	Shop 'til You Drop	92
Air Travel	65	Cross-Country	93
Snack Food	66	The Whole Story	94
A Matter of Size	67	Rags to Riches	95
Catnip	68	Insect Incline	96
Showers and Flowers	69	In the Service	97
Coffee Break	70	Tidying Up	98
Simon Says	71	Outerwear	99
Wet and Wetter	72	Brass Band	100
After Dinner	73	Crybaby	101
Bookworm	74	Utensils	102
Daily Journey	75	Wildlife	103
Top to Bottom	76	Boo!	104
Finders Keepers	77	Bedridden	105
Tolling Time	78	Make-Your-Own	
Some Like It Sweet	79	Word Ladders	106
Feelings	80	Answer Key	108
Bright Light	81		
Play Ball!	82		
Good, Clean Fun	83		
Gently Down the Stream	84		
Better and Better	85		
Winter Weather	86		
Brrrrr!	87		
Baby Animals	88		
Fizzy Drinks	89		



Welcome to Word Ladders!

In this book you'll find 100 mini-word-study lessons that are also kid-pleasing games! To complete each Word Ladder takes just ten minutes but actively involves each learner in analyzing the structure and meaning of words. To play, students begin with one word and then make a series of other words by changing or rearranging the letters in the word before. With regular use, Word Ladders can go a long way toward developing your students' decoding and vocabulary skills.

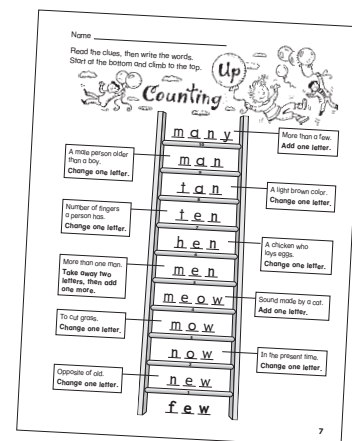
How do Word Ladders work?

Let's say our first Word Ladder begins with the word *walk*. The directions will tell students to change one letter in *walk* to make a word that means "to speak." The word students will make, of course, is *talk*. The next word will then ask students to make a change in *talk* to form another word—perhaps *chalk*, or *tall*. At the top of the ladder, students will have a final word that is in some way related to the first word—for example, *run*. If students get stuck on a rung along the way, they can come back to it, because the words before and after will give them the clues they need to go on.

How do Word Ladders benefit students?

Word Ladders are great for building students' decoding, phonics, spelling, and vocabulary skills. When students add or rearrange letters to make a new word from one they have just made, they must examine sound-symbol relationships closely. This is just the kind of analysis

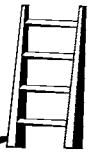
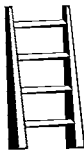
that all children need to do in order to learn how to decode and spell accurately. And when the puzzle adds a bit of meaning in the form of a definition (for example, "make a word that means to say something"), it helps extend students' understanding of words and concepts. All of these skills are key to students' success in learning to read and write. So even though Word Ladders will feel like a game your students will be practicing essential literacy skills at the same time!



How do I teach a Word Ladder lesson?

Word Ladders are incredibly easy and quick to implement. Here are four simple steps:

1. Choose a Word Ladder to try. (The first five pages feature easier ladders; you may want to start with those.)
2. Make a copy of the Word Ladder for each student.
3. Choose whether you want to do your Word Ladders with the class as a whole, or by having students work alone, in pairs, or in groups. (You might do the



first few together, until students are ready to work more independently.)

4. At each new word, students will see two clues: the kinds of changes they need to make to the previous word (“rearrange letters” or “add two letters”), and a definition of or clue to the meaning of the word. Sometimes this clue will be a sentence in which the word is used in context but is left out for children to fill in. Move from word to word this way, up the whole Word Ladder.



Look for the **Bonus Boxes** with stars. These are particularly difficult words you may want to preteach. Or you can do these ladders as a group so that children will not get stuck on this rung.

That’s the lesson in a nutshell! It should take no longer than ten minutes to do. Once you’re done, you may wish to extend the lesson by having students sort the words into various categories. This can help them deepen their understanding of word relationships. For instance, they could sort them into:

- Grammatical categories. (Which words are nouns? Verbs?)
- Word structure. (Which words have a long vowel and which don’t? Which contain a consonant blend?)
- Word meaning. (Which words express what a person can do or feel? Which do not?)

Tips for Working With Word Ladders

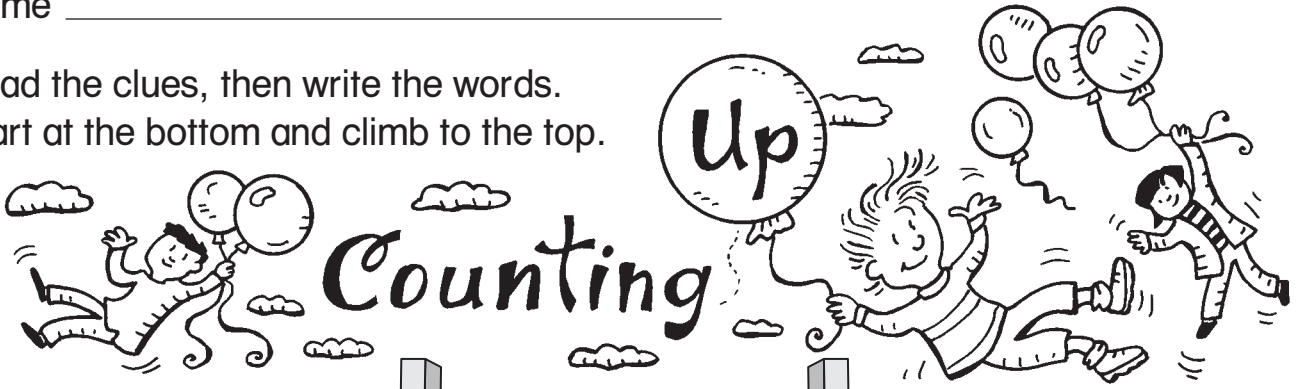
To give students extra help, mix up and write on the board all the “answers” for the ladder (that is, the words for each rung) for them to choose from as they go through the puzzle. In addition:

- Add your own clues to give students extra help as they work through each rung of a ladder. A recent event in your classroom or community could even inspire clues for words.
- If students are having difficulty with a particular word, you might simply say the word aloud and see if students can spell it correctly by making appropriate changes in the previous word. Elaborate on the meanings of the words as students move their way up the ladder.
- If students are stuck on a particular rung of the Word Ladder, tell them to skip it and come back to it later.
- Challenge students to come up with alternative definitions for the same words. Many words, like *lock*, *fall*, and *stock*, have multiple meanings.

Timothy Rasinski is a professor of literacy education at Kent State University, with a special focus on young and struggling readers. Dr. Rasinski has served on the board of directors at the International Reading Association and as president of the College Reading Association. He is the author of numerous books and professional articles on effective reading instruction.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A ladder with 10 rungs. At the bottom, the word "few" is written. Each rung is numbered from 1 to 10. Clues are provided in boxes on either side of the ladder, connected to the rungs by lines.

Clue	Rung Number	Word
Opposite of old. Change one letter.	1	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
To cut grass. Change one letter.	2	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
Sound made by a cat. Add one letter.	3	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
More than one man. Take away two letters, then add one.	4	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
Number of fingers a person has. Change one letter.	5	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
A chicken that lays eggs. Change one letter.	6	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
A light brown color. Change one letter.	7	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
A male person older than a boy. Change one letter.	8	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
More than a few. Add one letter.	9	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>
	10	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u>

few

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A tipi can be one of these.
Change one letter.

7

A few.
Change one letter.

6

Two things exactly alike.
Add one letter.

5

Short for *Samuel*.
Change one letter.

4

To hang or sink downward.
Change one letter.

3

What a dog does with its tail.
Change one letter.

2

Fake hair.
Take away three letters.

1

w i g w a m

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



In the Doghouse

A ladder with 8 rungs, numbered 1 to 8 from bottom to top. At the base of the ladder, the word "dog" is written with each letter on a separate line. Clues are provided in boxes connected to each rung by lines.

1 A small round spot.
Change one letter.

2 Short for *Donald*.
Change one letter.

3 To say "yes," you can ___ your head.
Rearrange the letters.

4 A kind of fish.
Change one letter.

5 A secret way of writing.
Add one letter.

6 A kind of cola soda.
Change one letter.

7 Something you put ice cream in.
Change one letter.

8 What a dog might like to chew on.
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Shrinking Sizes

Little.
Add one letter.

A shopping center.
Change one letter.

A machine that grinds pepper is called a pepper ____.
Add one letter.

Sick.
Take away one letter, then add two.

Give ____ to me.
Take away one letter.

To have lighted something.
Take away three letters.

l i t t l e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



It falls from the sky and makes you wet.
Add one letter.

11

Walked very fast.
Take away one letter.

10

Part of the wheat plant.
Change one letter.

9

Short for Bradley.
Add one letter.

8

The opposite of good.
Change one letter.

7

A stick used for hitting balls.
Change one letter.

6

A wager or guess that something will happen.
Take away one letter.

5

You wear it to hold up your pants.
Change one letter.

4

Something that makes a ringing noise.
Change one letter.

3

Healthy.
Add two letters.

2

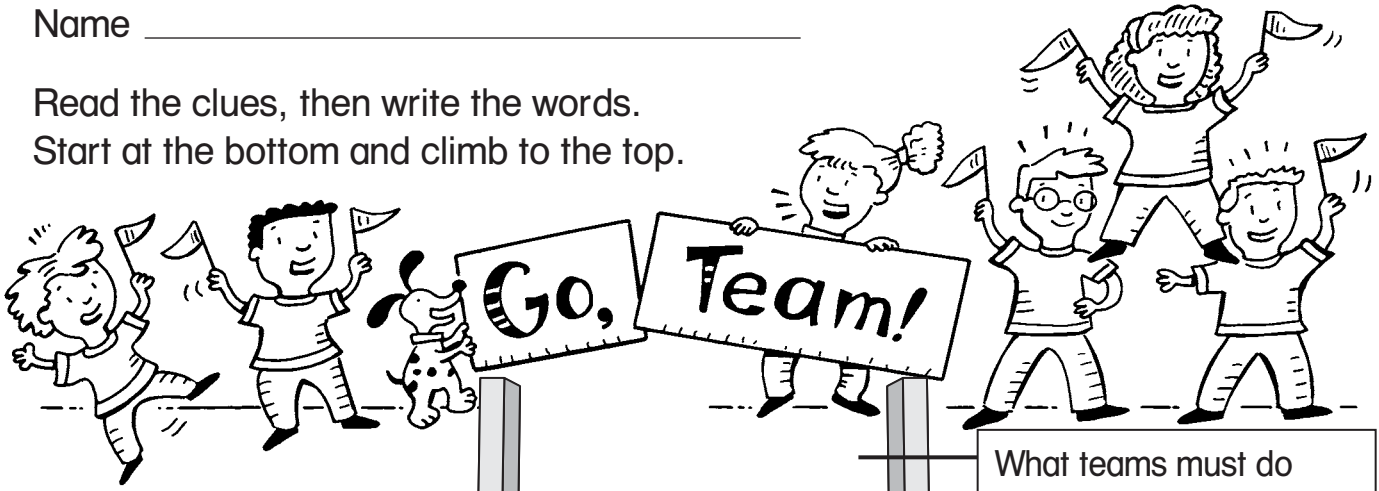
All of us.
Take away one letter.

1

w e t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




What teams must do together. The coach said to us, "Good ____, team!"
Change one letter.

Something gets ____ out when it has been used often.
Change one letter.

Ripped.
Add one letter.

An enormous weight: 2,000 pounds.
Take away two letters, then add one.

 What you pay to cross a bridge.
Change one letter.

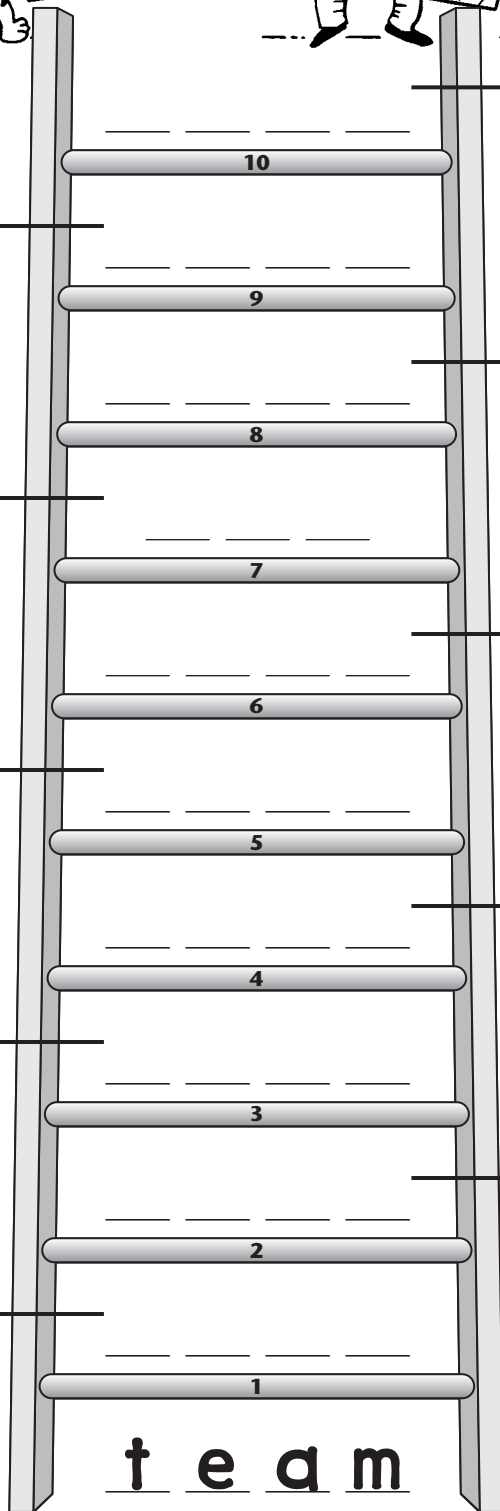
Not short.
Change one letter.

A story.
Change one letter.

To get or bring something.
Change one letter.

Not wild. A house pet is ____.
Rearrange letters.

Food that comes from animals.
Rearrange letters.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Sweet Seasons



Another season.
Change one letter.

9

More slim.
Add two letters and rearrange.

8

To heat something to just below the boiling point.
Take away one letter.

Thin and narrow, not wide or thick.
Take away two letters, then add one.

7

A thick and gooey liquid.
Add one letter.

To make music with your voice.
Take away one letter.

6

A bandage that hangs from the neck to support a hurt arm.
Add one letter.

A cord or thread. You put beads on a _____ to make a necklace.
Change one letter.

5

4

3

2

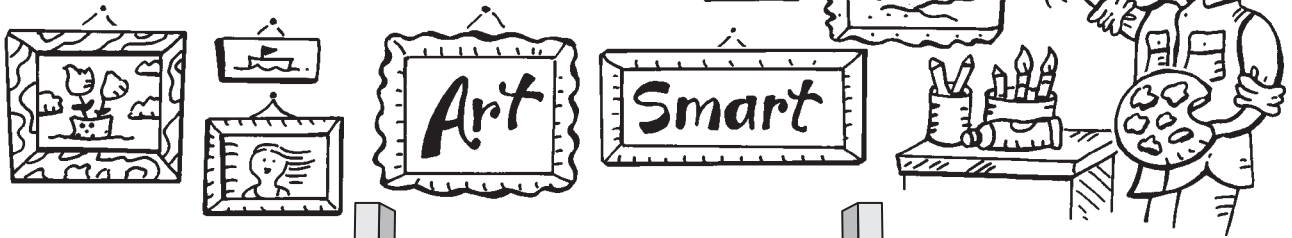
1

Something a bee does.
Take away one letter.

s p r i n g

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To make pictures.
Take away two letters, then add one.

9

A thing used to suck a drink from a glass.
Add two letters.

8

Not cooked.
Change one letter.

7

A tool used to cut wood.
Change one letter.

6

The past tense of *sit*.
He _____ in the chair.
Take away one letter.

5

A word you might say to make an animal go away.
Add one letter.

4

A house pet that is related to lions and tigers.
Change one letter.

3

An automobile.
Take away one letter.

2

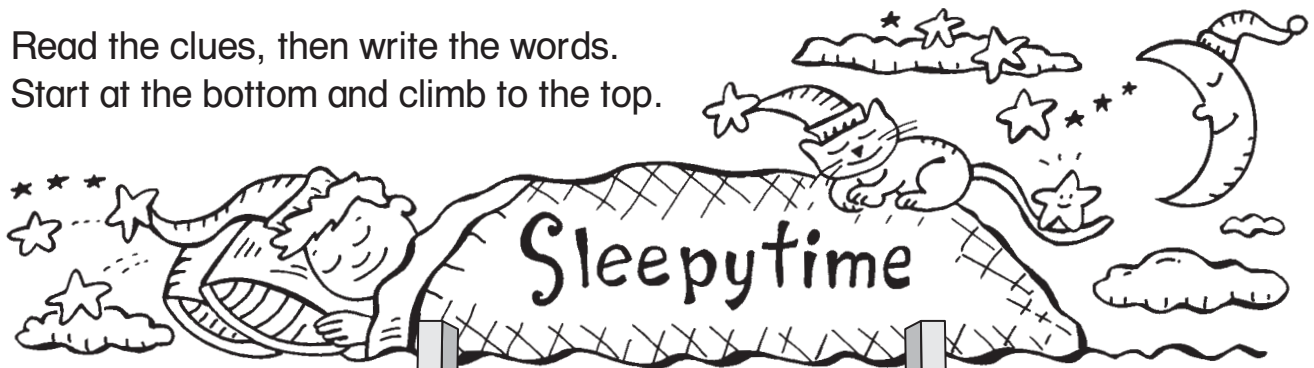
A two-wheeled vehicle for carrying things.
Add one letter.

1

q r t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A short rest.
Change one letter.

11

A liquid that comes from trees.
Take away one letter.

10

To hit.
Change one letter.

9

To make applause.
Add one letter.

Children often sit on their parents' ____s.
Rearrange the letters.

8

7

A friend.
Take away one letter.

6

Another name for a bucket.
Change two letters.

5

To take off the skin of an orange.
Change one letter.

4

Baby birds make this sound.
Take away two letters, then add one.

3

An animal that gives us wool.
Add one letter.

2

To flow or trickle slowly.
Take away one letter.

1

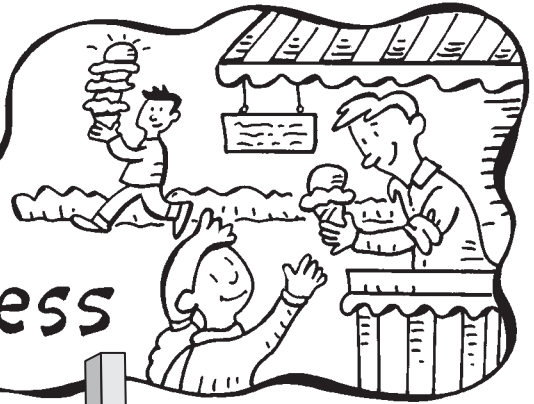
s l e e p

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



More or Less



Opposite of *most*.
Add one letter.

9

Opposite of *first*.
Change one letter.

8

If something can't
be found, it's _____.
Change one letter.

7

The price of
something.
**Take away
one letter.**

6

The land next to
the sea.
Add one letter.

5

What a doctor puts on
your arm or leg if it's
broken.
Change one letter.

4



A wooden barrel that
holds liquids.
Change one letter.

3

This covers your face
on Halloween.
Change one letter.

2

The pole on a sailboat
that holds the sails.
Change one letter.

1

m o s t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Barbershop



A deep track made in the ground by wheels.
Change one letter.

A male sheep.
Rearrange the letters.

To hurt someone or something.
Take away one letter.

A drawing that shows information, like a graph.
Add one letter.


Something to sit on.
Add one letter.

What you do to hair in a barbershop.
Change one letter.

A rodent.
Change one letter.

A part of your body attached to your shoulder.
Take away one letter.

A small ornament you put on a bracelet.
Change one letter.

 To burn something slightly. Rhymes with *bar*.
Take away one letter.

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

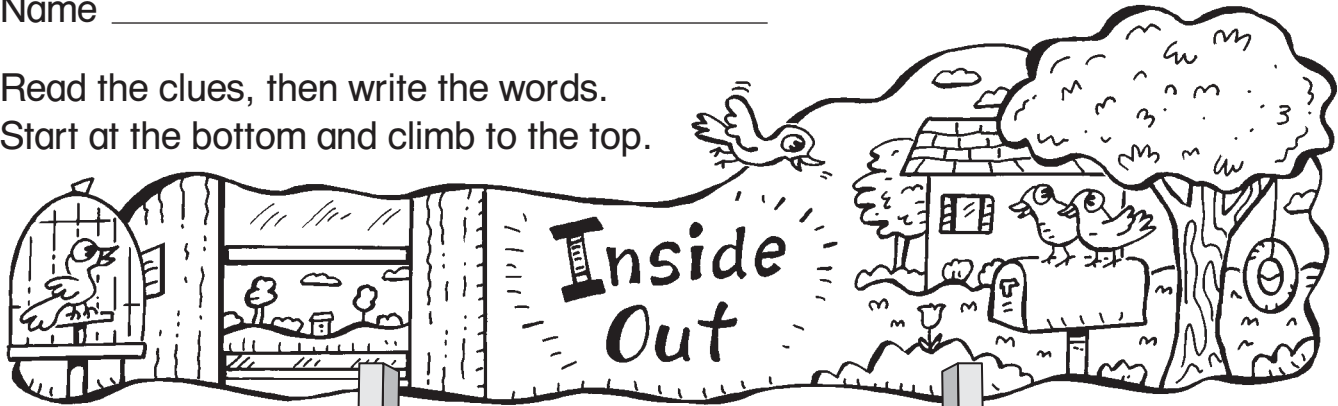
2

1

h a i r

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Another opening on a house other than a door.

Add two letters.

To ___ the race, you'll have to run fast.

Change one letter.

Last night, I ___ the candles.

Change one letter.

To cut off. Also, some rabbits are called ___-eared.

Take away one letter.

When you stand in a room, your feet are on the ___.

Take away one letter, then add two.

The toy car won't move unless you ___ it up.

Add one letter.

The ability to say clever and funny things.

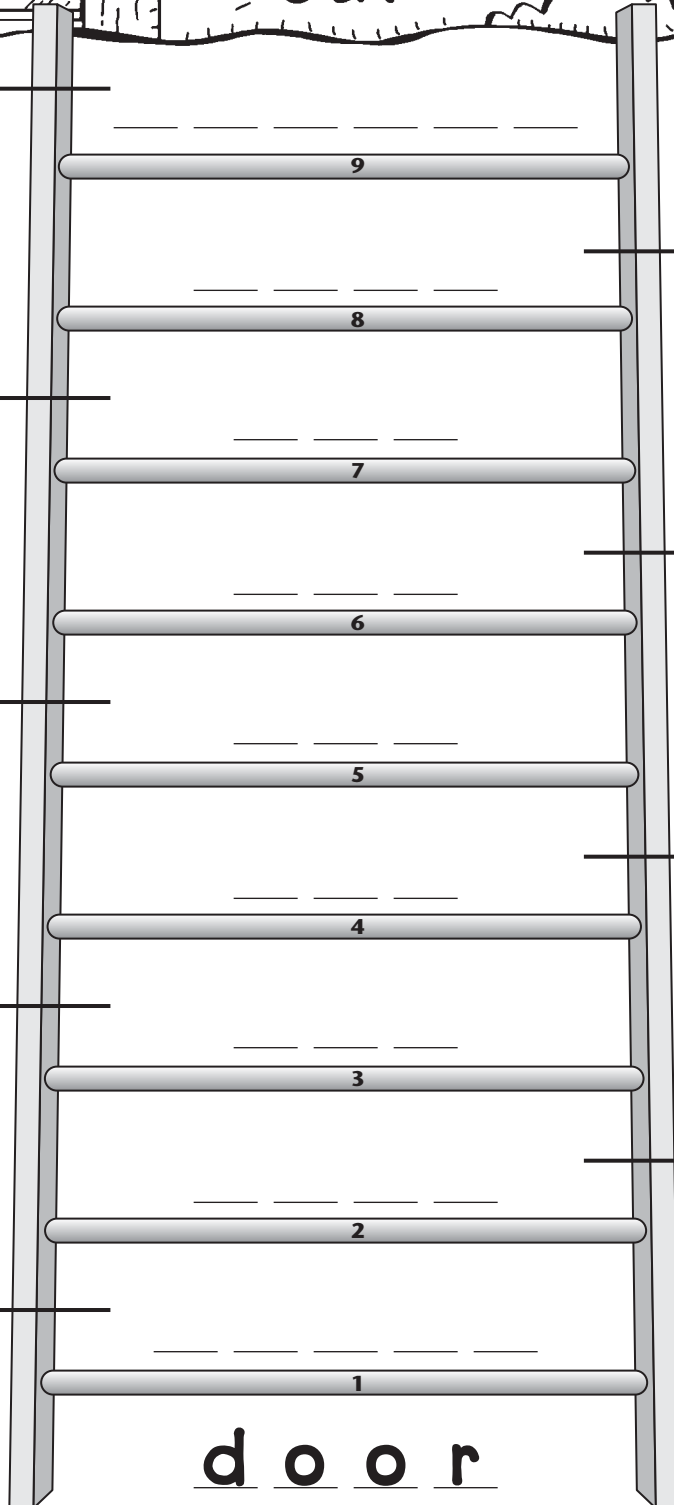
Change one letter.

To whistle, put your ___s together.

Change one letter.

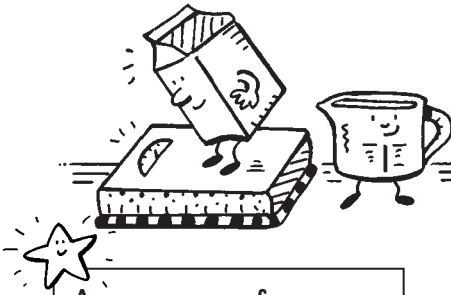
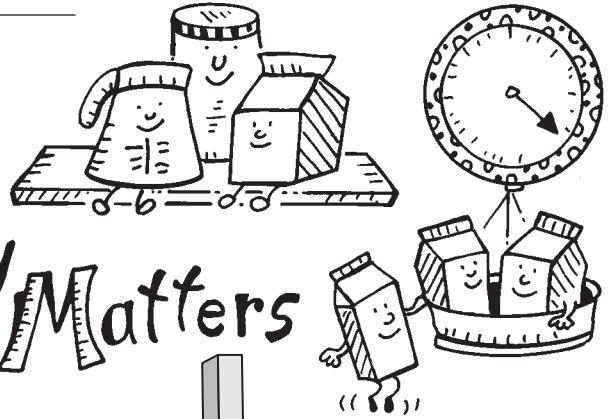
To fall or drop heavily.

Take away two letters, then add one.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Weighty Matters

A measure of volume—two pints, or 32 ounces.
Add two letters.

A piece or bit of something.
Change one letter.

A small wagon with two wheels.
Take away one letter.

To say or sing a phrase over and over.
Take away one letter, then add two.

Liquid color you put on with brushes.
Add one letter.

What you make by painting or drawing.
Take away one letter.

A pie with jelly, custard, or fruit inside.
Change one letter.

A drawing that shows information, like a graph.
Change one letter.

To breathe heavily, like a dog after a run.
Take away one letter.

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

p i n t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

Restful Vacation

What you do at night.
Change two letters.

9

Covering for a bed.
Change two letters.

8

To take pictures with a camera.
Add one letter.

7

What you might get at the doctor.
Rearrange the letters.

6

A person who throws a party.
Take away one letter and change one letter.

5

Speed or quickness in doing something.
Add one letter.

4

The opposite of *love*.
Add one letter.

3

Covers your head.
Change one letter.

2

Very warm.
Take away two letters.

1

h o t e l

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Gardening

What a flower might be planted in.
Rearrange the letters.

The highest point of something.
Take away one letter.

To come to a halt.
Change one letter.

A store.
Take away three letters.

Someone who buys things.
Take away one letter, then add two.

What you might take to get clean.
Add two letters.

To display something.
Change one letter.

Not fast.
Change one letter.

To move along slowly, like a river.
Take away two letters.

_____ 9 _____

_____ 8 _____

_____ 7 _____

_____ 6 _____

_____ 5 _____

_____ 4 _____

_____ 3 _____

_____ 2 _____

_____ 1 _____

f l o w e r

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Birds make this sound.
Add one letter.

Your leg is attached to this body part.
Take away one letter.

A small piece of something, as in a "chocolate ____."
Add one letter.

A large boat.
Change two letters.

He ran so fast he _____ on the slippery floor.
Change one letter.

On snowy days, you go down hills on this.
Change one letter.

A small building for storing things.
Take away one letter, then add two more.

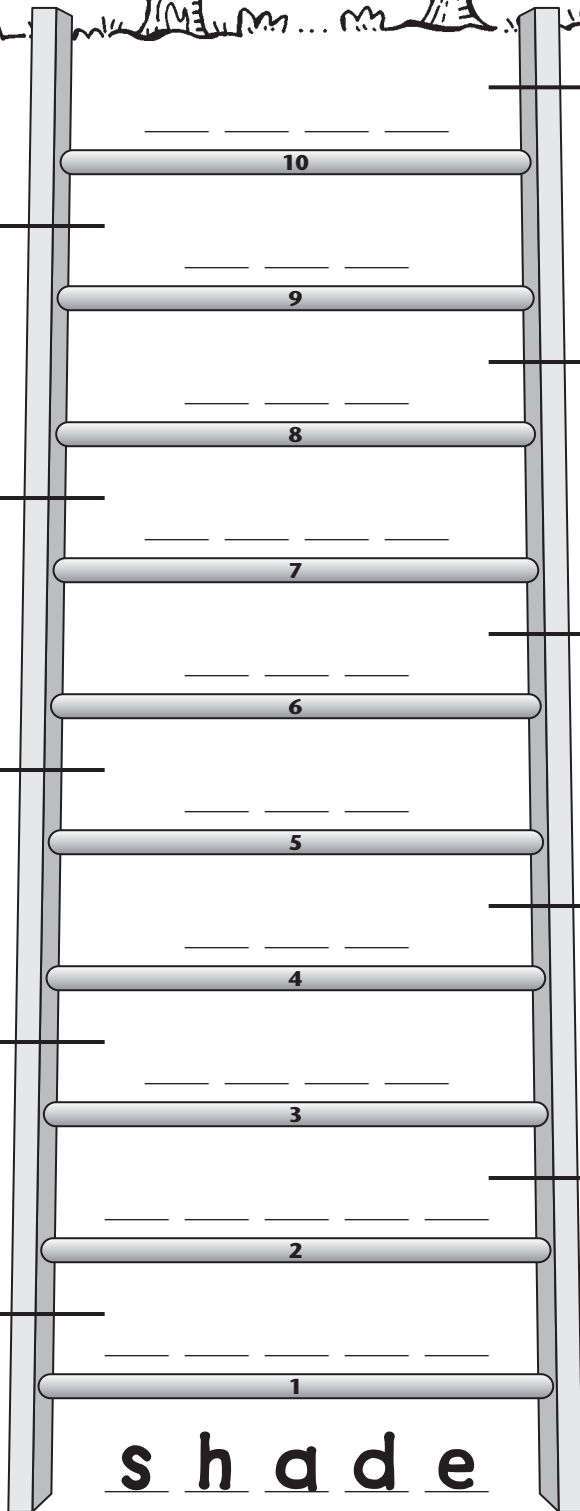
What you sleep on.
Change one letter.

To make an offer to buy something.
Take away one letter.

b i r d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Golfers put a golfball on this.
Change one letter.

What gives you shade outdoors.
Add one letter.



To flow or trickle slowly.
Take away one letter, then add two.

To view.
Take away one letter.

A liquid that comes from trees.
Change one letter.

To drink just a little.
Change one letter.

Exactly alike.
Take away one letter.

Short for *Samuel*.
Take away one letter.

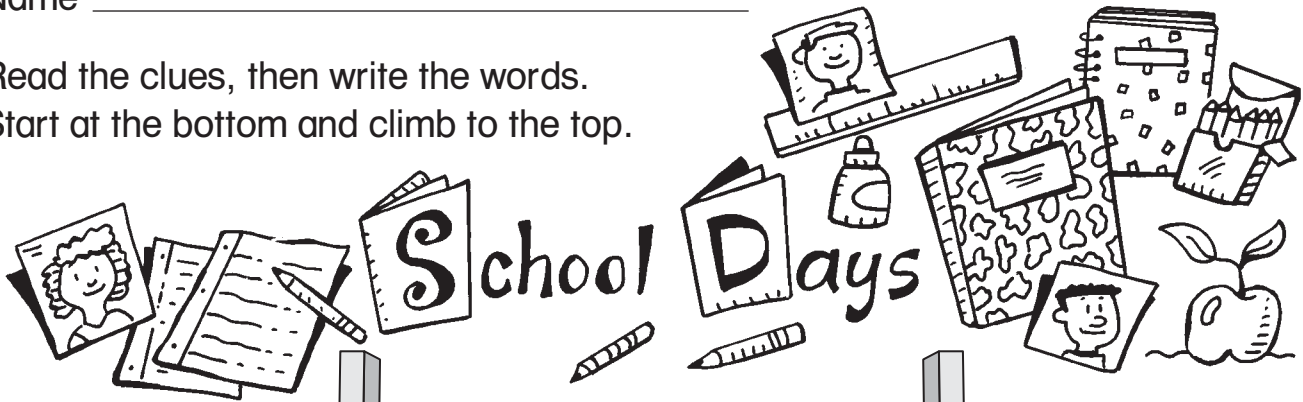
Triangles and squares are ____s.
Change one letter.

A bad feeling after doing something wrong.
Change one letter.

s h a d e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Someone who goes to school.
Add three letters.

9

Short for *gentleman*.
Change one letter.

8

To hurt something by making a hollow in it.
Change one letter.

Short for *cannot*.
Add one letter.

7

A penny.
Change one letter.

6

In the winter, you need a _____.
Change one letter.

5

A pet that says "meow."
Take away one letter.

4

A little warmer than cold.
Take away two letters.

3

A black rock that can be burned to make heat.
Change one letter.

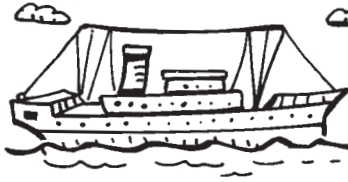
2

1

s c h o o l

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Transportation

This flies through air.
Change one letter.

A green, living thing
that is not an animal.
Change one letter.


A thick wooden
board.
Add one letter.

An idea about how
to do something.
Add one letter.

A wide, shallow metal
container used for
cooking.
Change one letter.

To touch softly, as in
"a ___ on the head."
Change one letter.

You wipe your
feet on this.
**Take away
one letter.**

 The trench that
surrounds a castle.
**Take away two
letters, then add
one.**

The opposite
of *sink*.
**Take away one
letter, then add
two.**

b o a t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Good Cooking



Without covering.
Change one letter.

Sound made by
a dog.
Add one letter.

Opposite of *good*.
Change one letter.

To have been
given food.
**Take away
one letter.**

To have been set free.
Change one letter.

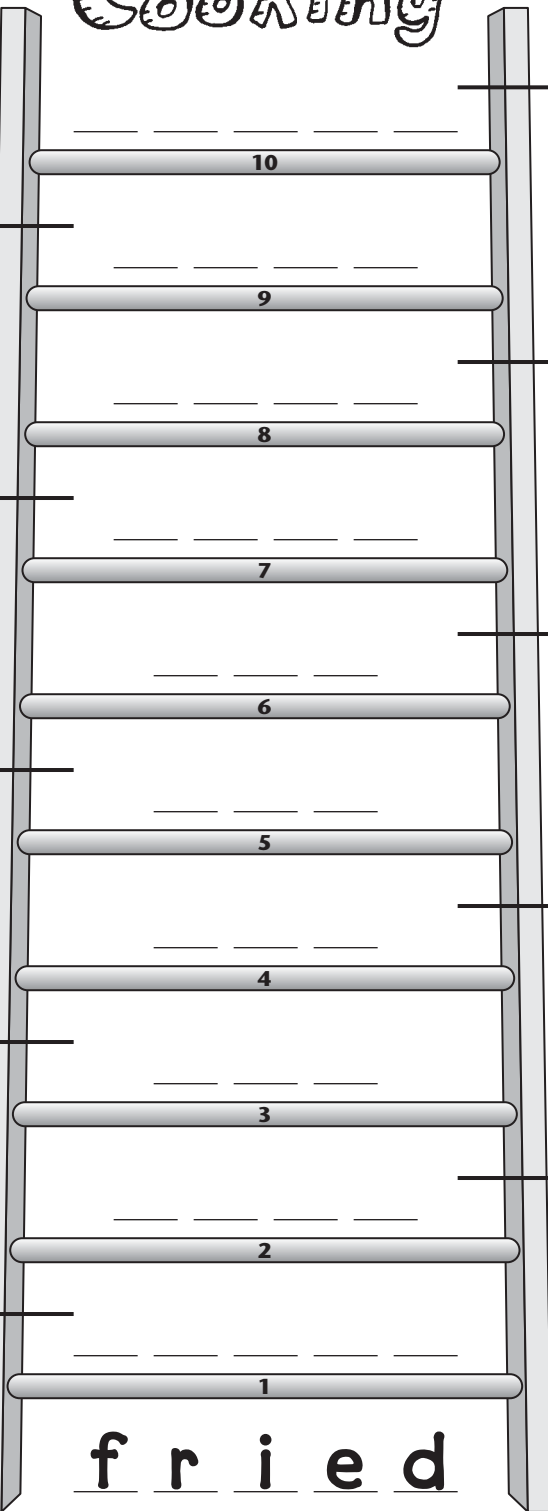
After the cake was _____,
we ate it.
**Take away one
letter, then add two.**

A place where farm
animals sleep.
Change one letter.

A flat block of
something, like a
chocolate _____.
Change one letter.

A piece of furniture
to sleep on.
Change one letter.

To give food.
**Take away one
letter.**



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



America's Pastime

A round object used in games.

Take away two letters, then add one more.

A shopping center.

Take away two letters, then add two.

A pole in the middle of a sailboat that holds up the sails.

Change one letter.

Not to hit, as in "Don't ___ the ball."

Change one letter.

A kind of fish, or the lowest voice in a chorus.

Change one letter.

Opposite of *large*.
Add one letter.

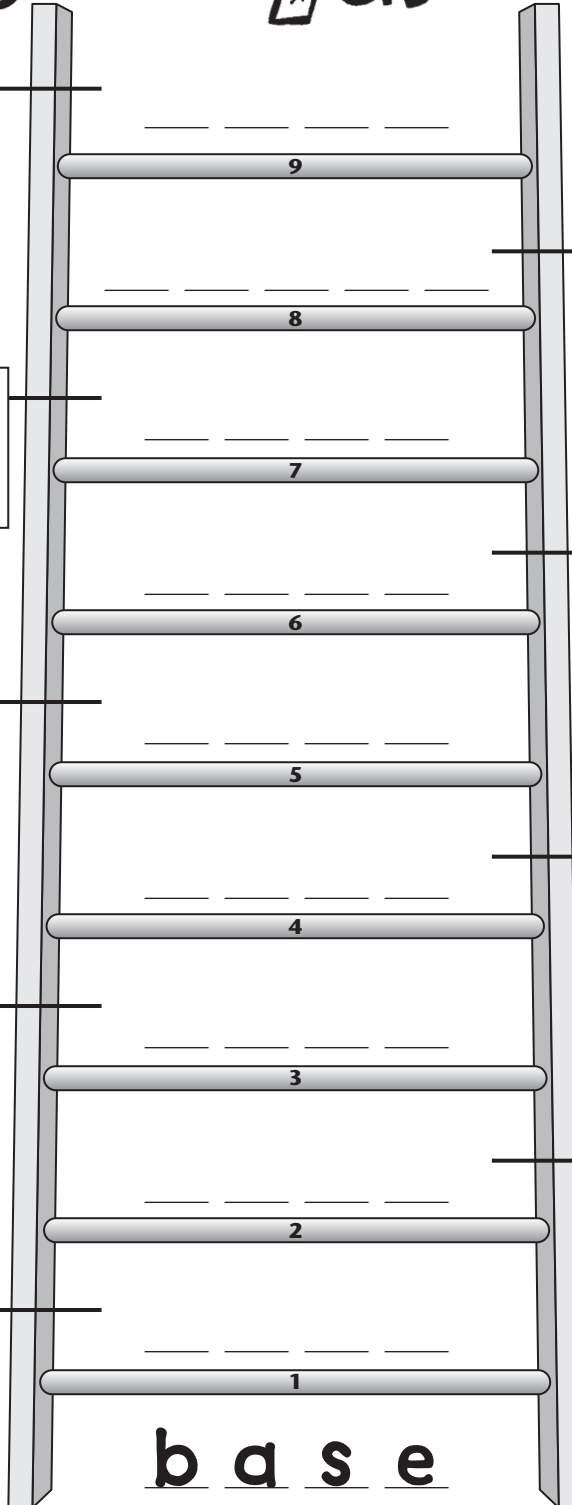
To change from solid to liquid because of heat.

Take away two letters, then add two.

A light rain.
Change one letter.

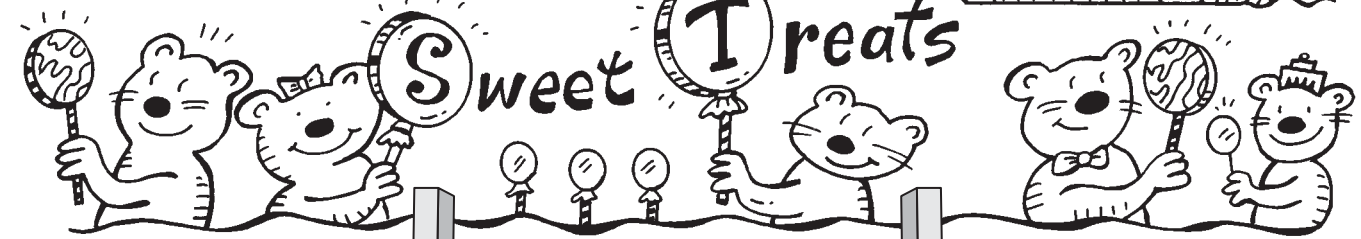
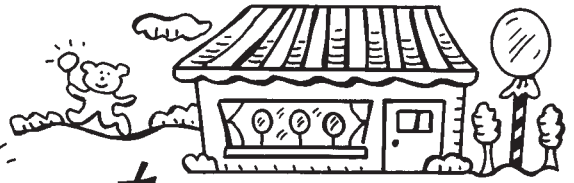
A large group of something. Rhymes with *lass*.

Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



The flavor of candy.
Change one letter.

Perspiration.
Add one letter.

A place to sit down.
Change one letter.

The place where two pieces of cloth are joined.
Change one letter.

To appear to be, as in "I ___ to be sick today."
Take away one letter, then add two.

Short for *Samuel*.
Change one letter.

I ___ down in the chair.
Change one letter.

A pet that says "meow."
Change one letter.

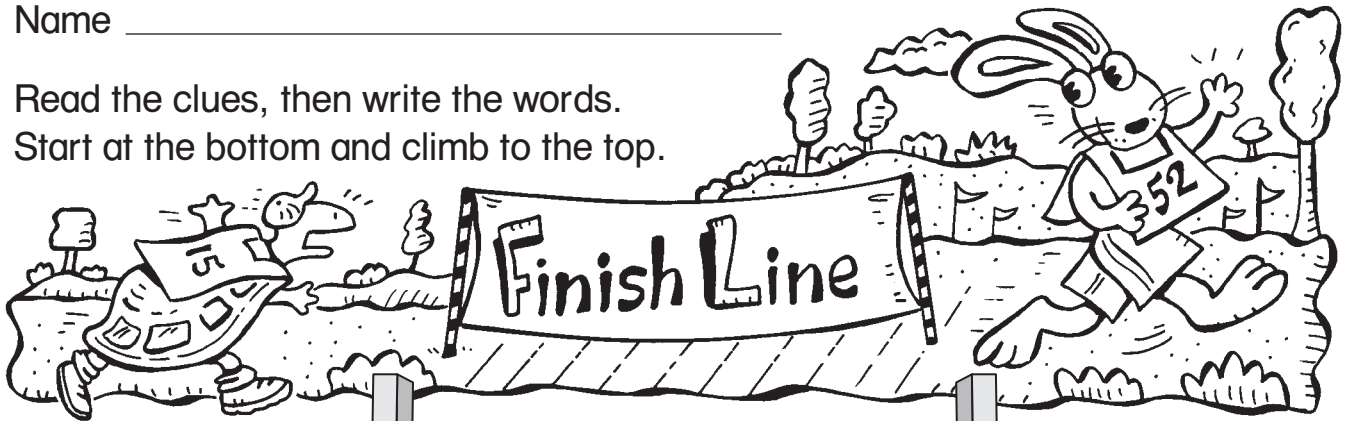
To be able to.
Take away two letters.

9
8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1

c a n d y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Opposite of *start*.
Add two letters.

9

This creature lives
in water.
**Change one
letter.**

8

You use this
for eating.
**Change one
letter.**

7

A desire or want.
**Change one
letter.**

6

To clean with water.
**Change one
letter.**

5

Money.
**Change one
letter.**

4

What a doctor
puts on a broken
arm or leg.
**Change one
letter.**

3

A two-wheeled
vehicle that
carries things.
**Change one
letter.**

2

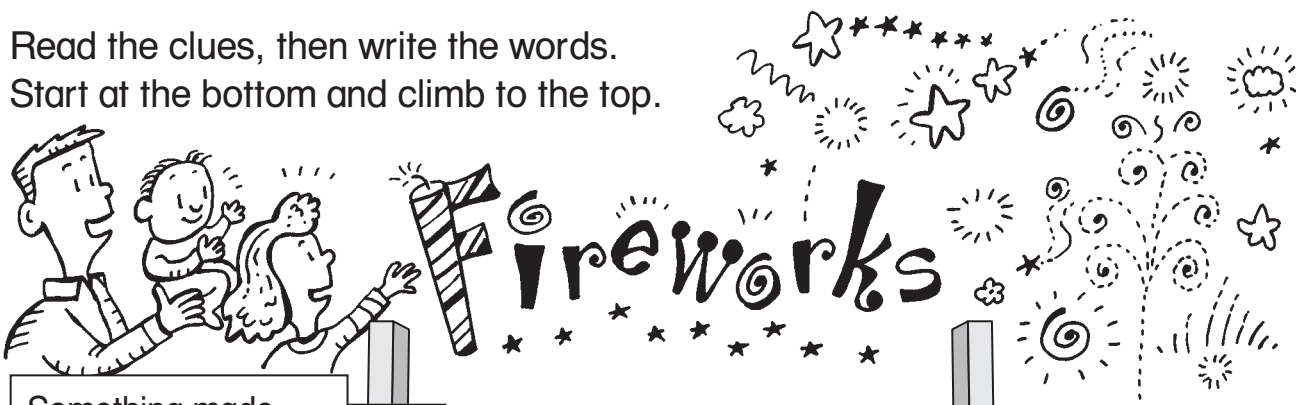
A pastry with jelly or
fruit in the middle.
**Take away one
letter.**

1

s t a r t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Something made
of wax that you
can light.
Change one letter.

A body part attached
to the arm.
**Change two
letters.**

A small mountain.
**Change one
letter.**

A heap or small hill
of items. Rhymes
with *smile*.
**Change one
letter.**

Rubber on the
wheel of a car.
**Change one
letter.**

You can grip this
with your hand.
Add two letters.

A corridor or
passageway.
**Change one
letter.**

A small tablet
of medicine.
**Change one
letter.**

A square of glazed
clay often found in
bathrooms.
**Change one
letter.**

_____ 9 _____

_____ 8 _____

_____ 7 _____

_____ 6 _____

_____ 5 _____

_____ 4 _____

_____ 3 _____

_____ 2 _____

_____ 1 _____

f i r e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Opposites Attract

Opposite of *black*.
Add two letters.

9

To strike.
Change one letter.

8

Very warm.
Change one letter.

7

Plenty of something.
Take away one letter.

6



To steal or rob.
Rhymes with *boot*.
Change one letter.

5

To use your eyes
to see things.
Change one letter.

4

Part of a door you
can open or shut
with a key.
**Take away one
letter.**

3

Used for telling time.
Change one letter.

2

A cube of something
hard, like a ___ of
wood.
Change one letter.

1

b l a c k

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Salt and ____.
Change one letter.

Used for popping corn.
Add three letters.

A loud noise, as in "____ goes the weasel."
Change one letter.

What bunnies do.
Take away one letter.

A place to buy things.
Change one letter.

What you might get at the doctor's office.
Add one letter.

Opposite of *cold*.
Change one letter.

It covers the head.
Change one letter.

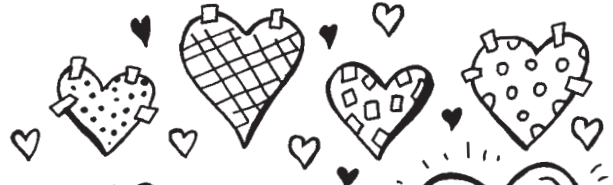
I ____ down on the chair.
Take away one letter.

9
8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1

s a l t

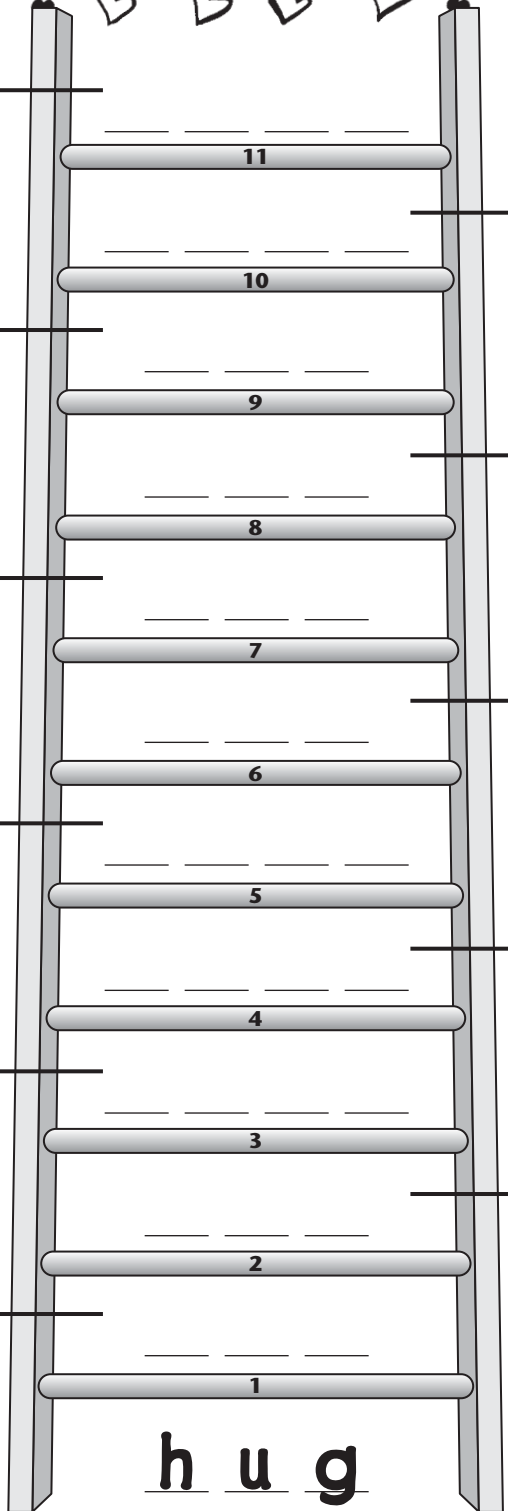
Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Displays of Affection

Sometimes given with a hug.
Change two letters.



What children fly in the wind.
Add one letter.

A set of tools and supplies, like a model airplane _____.
Change one letter.

To have lighted something.
Change one letter.

Plenty of something.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *high*.
Take away one letter.

Not fast.
Change one letter.

To present something to others.
Change one letter.

You wear this on your foot.
Add one letter.

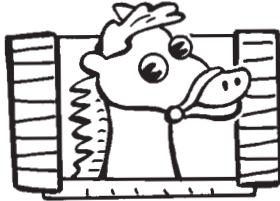
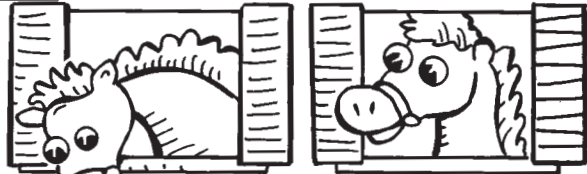
A gardening tool.
Change one letter.

A kind of pig.
Change one letter.

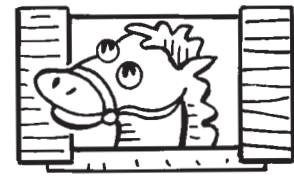
h u g

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Neigh-bors



A baby horse.
Change one letter.

9

A small lake.
Change one letter.

8

When things stick together, they _____.
Change one letter.


7

What our skeletons are made of.
Change one letter.

6

You can put ice cream in this.
Change one letter.

5

 To deal with something successfully.
Change one letter.

4

To want or wish for something to happen.
Add one letter.

3

What rabbits do.
Change one letter.

2

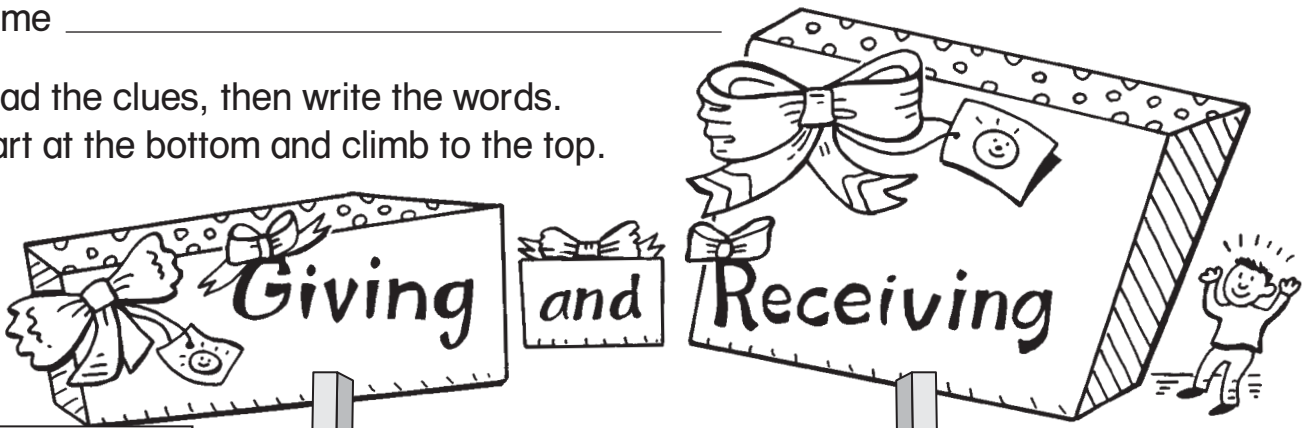
A garden tool.
Take away two letters.

1

h o r s e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Another name for a present.
Change one letter.

_____ 9

To raise up.
Add one letter.

_____ 8

To have caught on fire.
Change one letter.

_____ 7

The past tense of *bite*.
Change one letter.

_____ 6

A wager or guess that something will happen.
Take away one letter.

_____ 5

A strap that holds up your pants.
Change one letter.

_____ 4

Twisted or dented.
Change one letter.

_____ 3

Short for *gentleman*.
Change one letter.

_____ 2

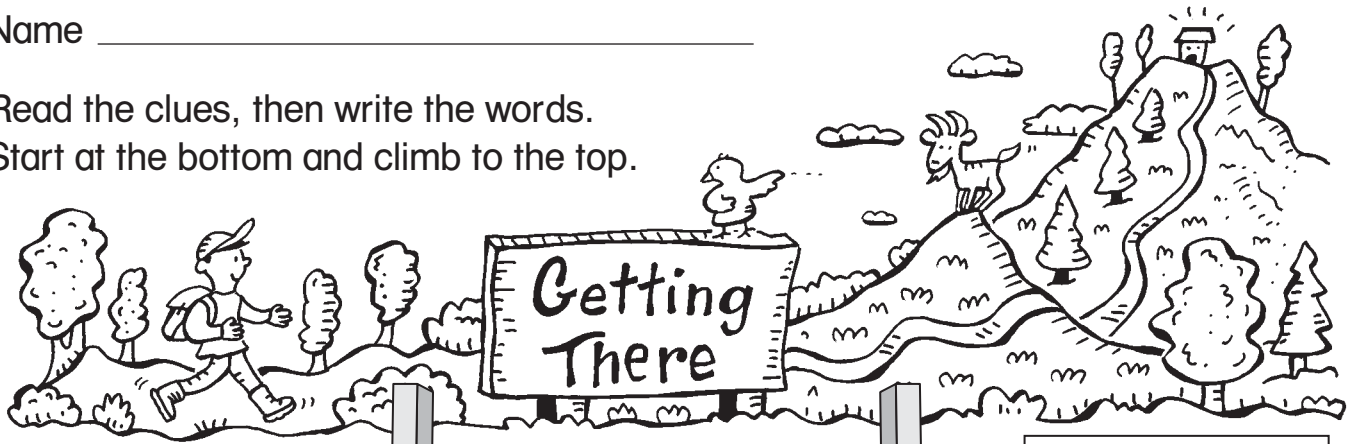
I _____ a letter in the mail.
Take away three letters.

_____ 1

p r e s e n t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



An small animal, as in the ___ of the litter.
Change one letter.

What you sleep inside when you camp.
Add one letter.

To say.
Change one letter.

The place in a barn where a horse might stay.
Change one letter.


To speak.
Change one letter.

To walk very fast.
Take away one letter.

You pay ___ to use someone else's property.
Change one letter.

The number after nine.
Take away two letters, then add one.

Opposite of *short*.
Take away one letter.

 The long stem of a plant from which leaves and flowers grow.
Add one letter.

w a l k

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A ladder with 10 rungs, numbered 1 to 10 from bottom to top. The word "swim" is written at the base of the ladder. Clues are connected to rungs by lines.

10 _____

9 _____

8 _____

7 _____

6 _____

5 _____

4 _____

3 _____

2 _____

1 _____

s w i m

Clues:

- 10:** A place to swim. **Change one letter.**
- 9:** The hair of sheep. **Change one letter.**
- 8:** What trees are made of. **Change two letters.**
- 7:** Opposite of tame. **Change one letter.**
- 6:** You have to _____ up some toys to make them go. **Add one letter.**
- 5:** To beat someone in a game. **Take away one letter.**
- 4:** The blowing air. **Change one letter.**
- 3:** A stick used by magicians. **Take away one letter, then add another.**
- 2:** A large white bird with a curved neck. **Change one letter.**
- 1:** Today I swim; yesterday I _____. **Change one letter.**

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Fancy Footwear

A shoe that goes over your ankle.
Change one letter.

9

The sound an owl makes.
Add one letter.

8

Very warm.
Change one letter.

7

Polka _____. Also, the little mark on the letter *i*.
Take away two letters, then add one.

6

Where boats park.
Change one letter.

5

You wear this on your foot.
Take away one letter.

4

A feeling of horror or surprise.
Take away one letter, then add two.

3

What the doctor might give you.
Change one letter.

2

A store.
Change one letter.

1

s h o e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Shopping Spree



A place with many stores.
Take away one letter.

7

Little.
Change one letter.

6

Another word for *will*.
Add one letter to the beginning.

5

A corridor or passageway.
Change one letter.

4

A raised area of land.
Take away one letter and add two.

3

The part of your body just below your waist.
Take away one letter.

2

Another word for *boat*.
Change one letter.

1

s h o p

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

Sweet Things

10 _____
Change one letter.

Perspiration.
Add one letter.

9 _____

You might ____ at a fly.
Add one letter.

8 _____

I ____ down on the chair.
Change one letter.

7 _____

Unhappy.
Take away two letters, then add one.

6 _____

To have sung.
Change one letter.

5 _____

To suspend from above.
Change one letter.

4 _____

A body part attached to the arm.
Change one letter.

3 _____

What is found on the beach.
Take away one letter.

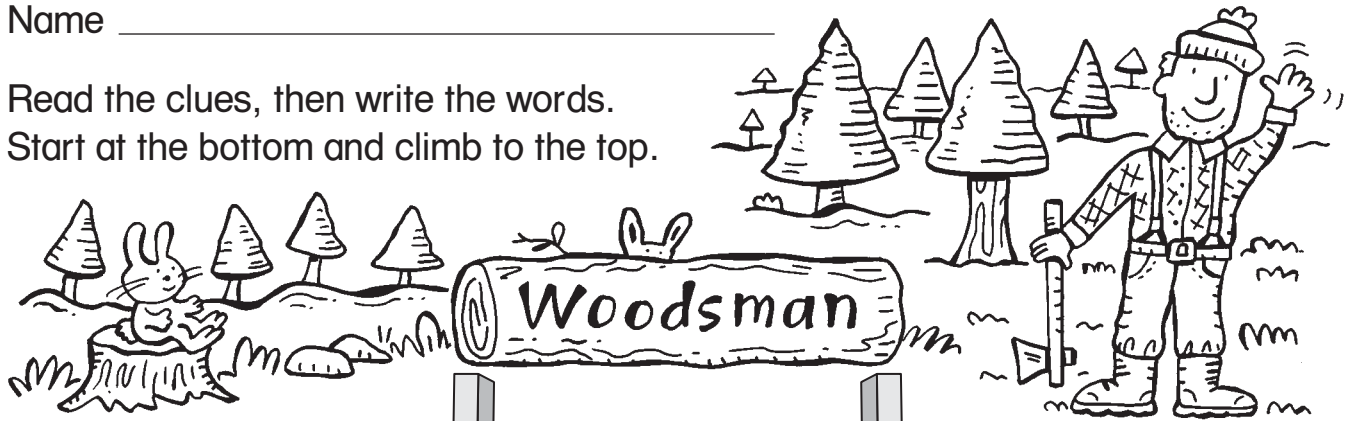
2 _____

1 _____

c a n d y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



_____ 8 _____

_____ 7 _____

_____ 6 _____

_____ 5 _____

_____ 4 _____

_____ 3 _____

_____ 2 _____

_____ 1 _____

c h o p

Trees are made of this.
Change one letter.

What we eat.
Change one letter.

Something attached to a coat to keep your head warm.
Change one letter.

A pen for chickens.
Change one letter.

What a farmer gives pigs to eat.
Change one letter.

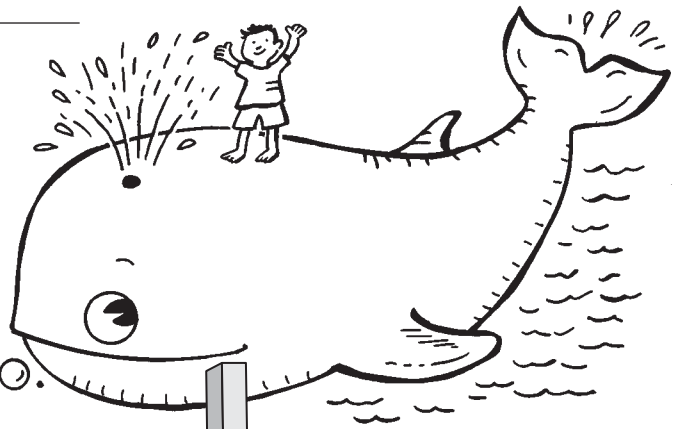
Hula _____.
Change one letter.

A curve or circle in a piece of string.
Take away one letter, then add one.

A store.
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



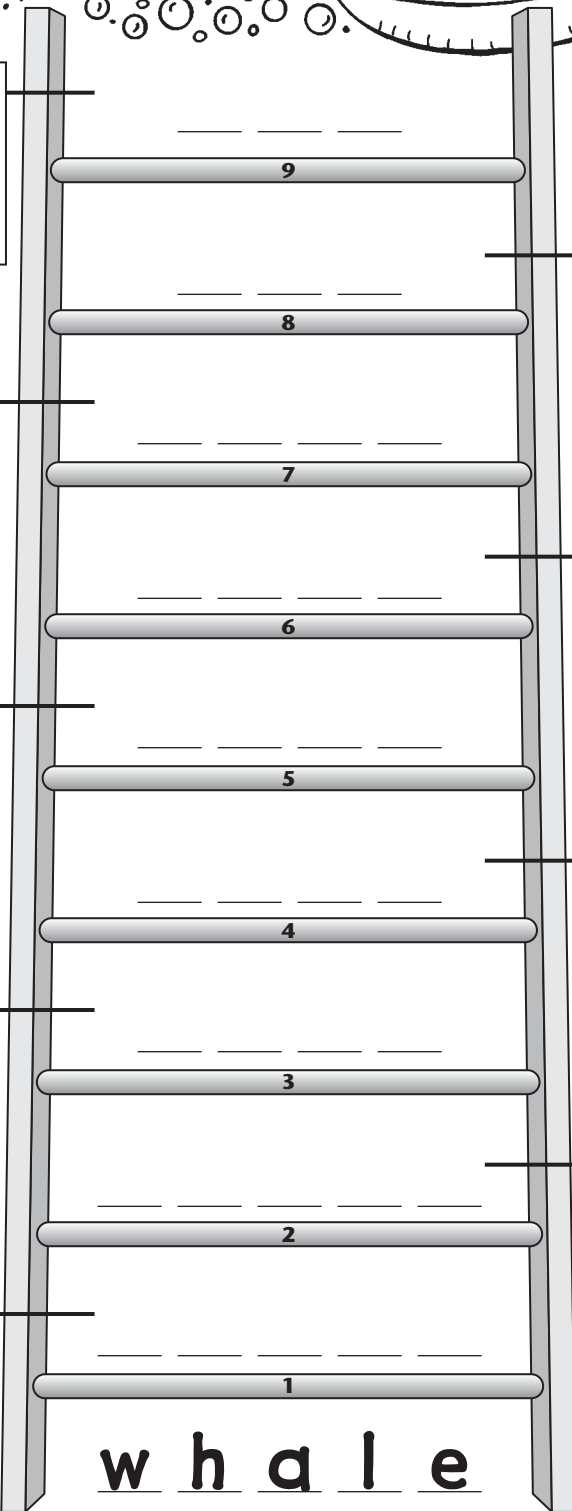
Holds the seeds of plants, as in a "pea ____."
Also, a group of whales.
Change one letter.


The store owner ____
me candy.
Change one letter.

A part, as in "not all
but ____."
Change one letter.

A hollow place or gap.
Take away one letter.

A short time.
"In a ____."
Change one letter.



 The top layer of soil and grass attached to it.
Take away one letter.

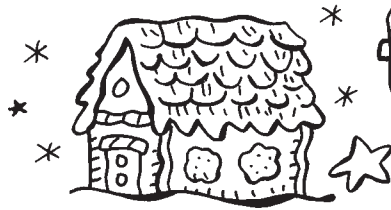
The bottom of your foot.
Change one letter.

Where you live.
Change one letter.

All of something.
"I ate the ____ thing."
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Holiday Candy



A candy ___ tastes like peppermint.

Change one letter.

Largest or most important, as in "___ Street."

Change one letter.

What you use to think.

Add one letter.

A particular type of product, like a ___ of toothpaste.

Add one letter.

What you find on a beach.

Add one letter.

Short for *Andrew*.

Take away one letter.

The hair on a horse's neck.

Change one letter, move one letter.

Water that falls from the sky.

Take away one letter.

A part of wheat that is used to make cereal and muffins.

Take away one letter.

A group of musicians makes a ___.

Change one letter.

Jack ___ Jill.

Take away one letter.

11

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

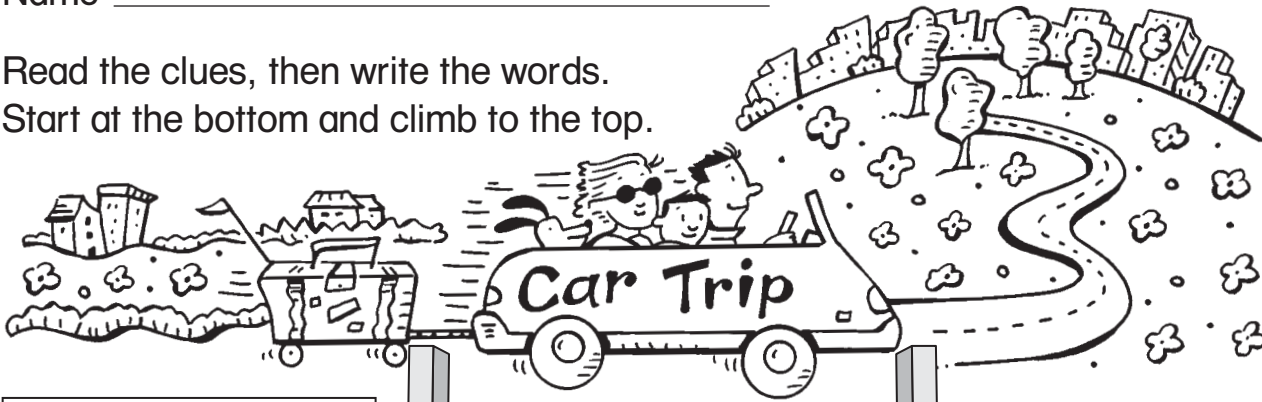
2

1

c a n d y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




What you put in cars.
Change one letter.

11

An opening in something.
Take away one letter.

10

 To gaze or look, as if surprised.
Change one letter.

9

A door in a fence.
Add one letter.


8

To have eaten.
Take away two letters.

7

One of 50 in the US.
Change one letter.

6

 A kind of rock.
Or a hard surface to write on.
Add one letter.

5

Not early.
Change one letter.

4

A particular day, month, or year.
Change one letter.

3

To take a risk, as in "Don't you ___!"
Change one letter.

2

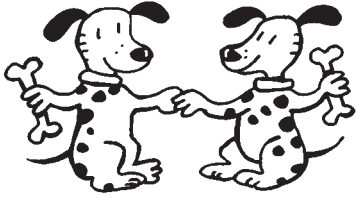
To be concerned.
Or to take ___ of something.
Add one letter.

1

c q r

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Friendship

Another name
for a friend.
**Change one
letter.**

9

A frog sits on a lily ____.
Change one letter.

8

Not good.
Take away one letter.

7

A group of musicians
makes a ____.
Change one letter.

6

Found at the beach.
Change one letter.


5

To make someone
or something go
somewhere.
Change one letter.

4

To take care of
something. "I like to
____ to the plants in
my house."
**Take away one
letter.**

3

 Style. The way
things are changing.
Add two letters.

2

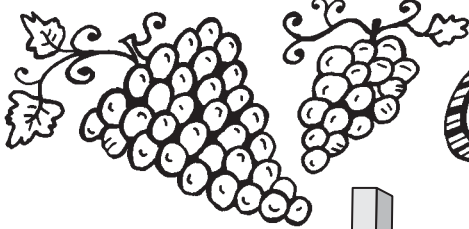
Finish.
**Take away
three letters.**

1

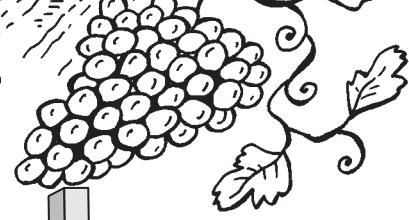
f r i e n d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Great Grapes



A dried grape.
Take away one letter, then add two.

5

To lift up.
Take away one letter, then add two.

4

A flower with a sweet smell.
Change one letter.

3

What you use to tie something up.
Take away one letter.

2



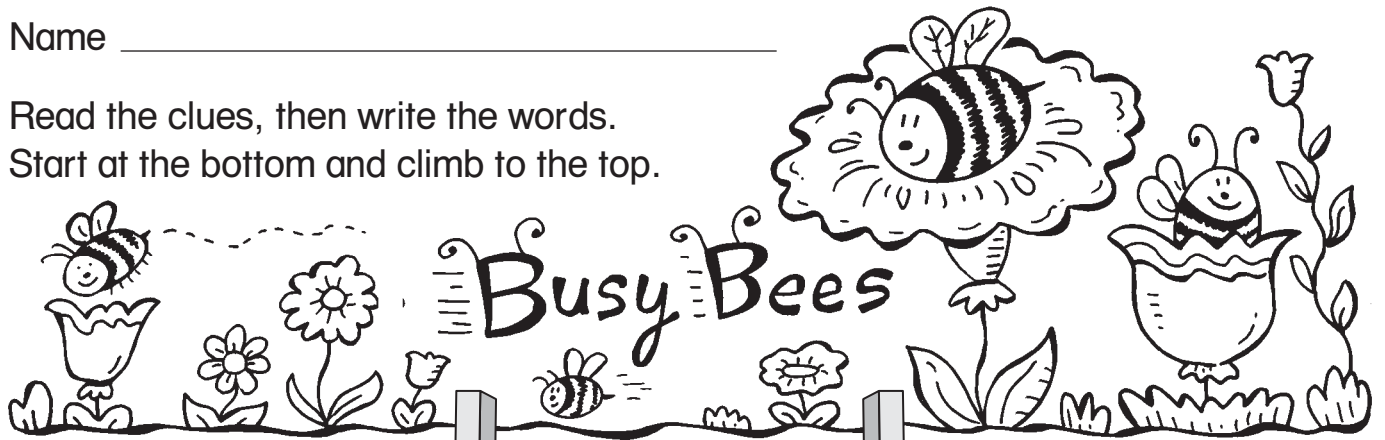
To feel around with your hands for something you cannot see.
Change one letter.

1

g r a p e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A place where bees live.
Change one letter.

Three plus two equals this.
Change one letter.

What is caused by
burning something.
Change one letter.

A tool for making things
smooth. My friend likes
to ___ her nails.
Change one letter.

Very good, as in
"I'm feeling ____."
Add one letter.

Part of a fish.
Change one letter.

If something is a good
____, it is the right size.
Change one letter.

To strike something.
Change one letter.

A small piece of
something.
Change one letter.

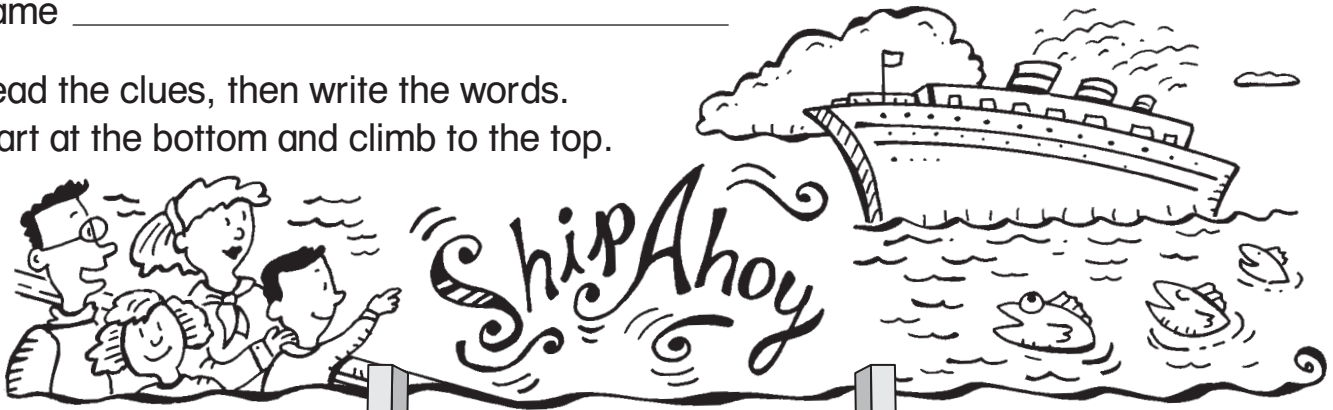
A stick for hitting balls.
Change one letter.

To make a wager or
guess about something.
Change one letter.

b e e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A group of ships.
Change one letter.

Partly frozen rain.
Change one letter.

A piece of paper.
Change one letter.

Animals that give
us wool.
Change one letter.

What you do at night.
Change one letter.

A sharp slope uphill.
I'm tired because that
hill was _____.
Add one letter.

When you walk, you
first take a _____.
Change one letter.

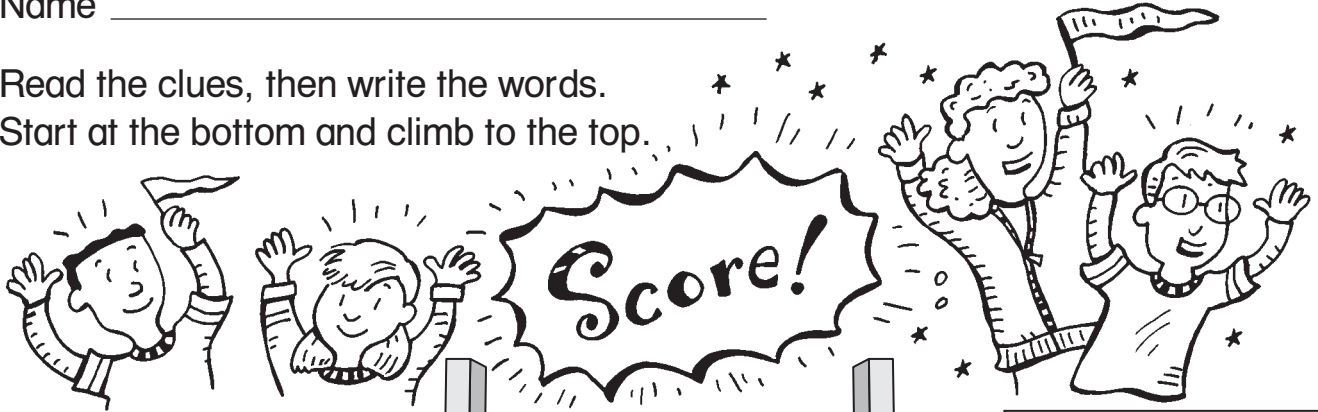
Opposite of *go*.
Change one letter.

A store.
Change one letter.

s h i p

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A groove worn in the ground by a wheel.
Change one letter.

To judge the quality of a person or thing.
Change one letter.

A female horse.
Add one letter.

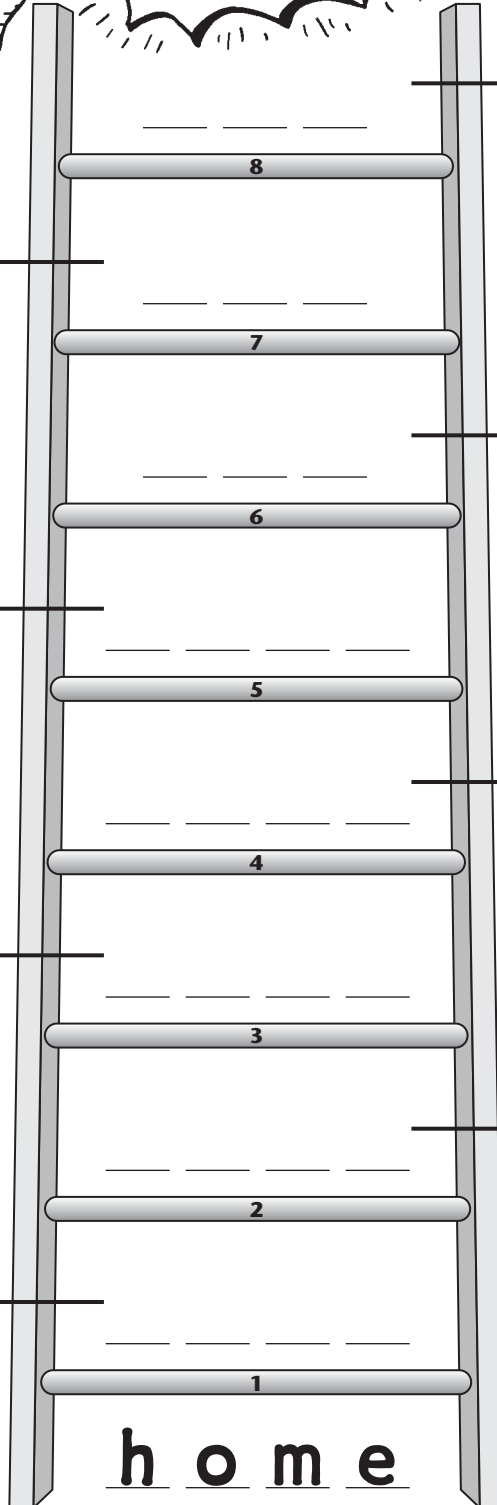
A large city in Italy.
Change one letter.

Not walk, but ____.
Change one letter.

A rodent that looks like a large mouse.
Take away one letter.

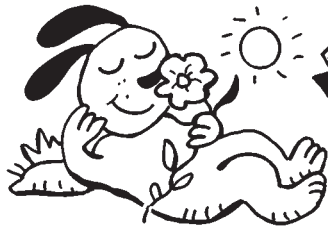
Not common, hard to find.
Change one letter.

Not less, but ____.
Rearrange the letters.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




Personality Change



More than one man.
Change one letter.

Very heavy weight.
Take away the first letter, then rearrange the rest.

 A kind of horse or bean.
Add one letter.

A flavor of gum or candy.
Change one letter.

More than one mouse.
Change one letter.

Not nice.
Add one letter

$3 + 3 + 4 =$
Change one letter.

I put my hand ___
my glove.
Take away one letter.

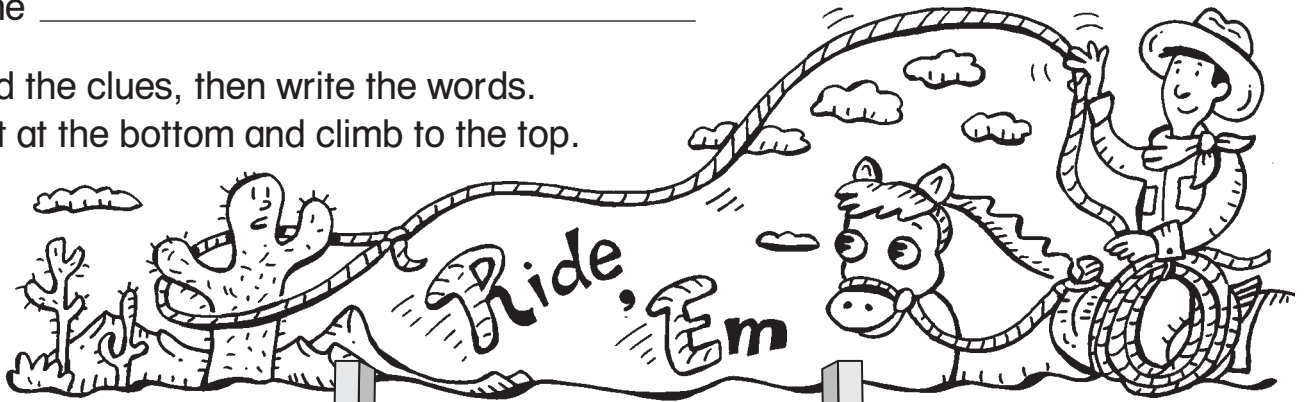
An amount of liquid—
16 ounces.
Change one letter.

If it belongs to me,
it is ___.
Change one letter.

n i c e


Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




A small horse.
Change two letters.

Meat from a pig.
Change one letter.

 If you _____ up, you become more cheerful.
Change one letter.

A place with grass and trees.
Add two letters.

 The score golfers expect on each hole of a golf game.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *peace*.
Take away one letter.

Hot, but not too hot.
Change one letter.

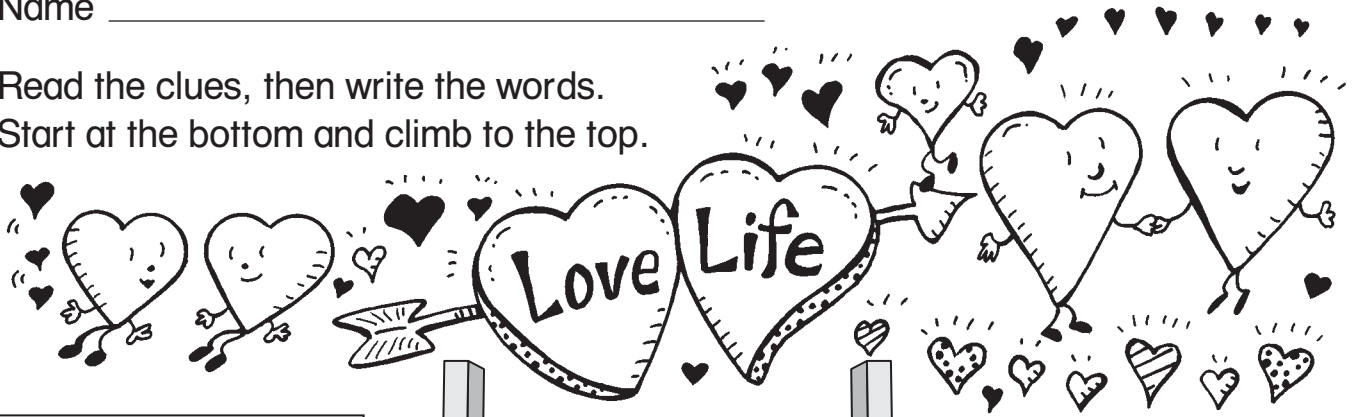
A small animal that lives in the dirt.
Take away two letters, then add one.

More than bad.
Change one letter.

h o r s e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To enjoy or be pleased by something.
Change one letter.

Short for *Michael*.
Change one letter.

A measure of distance—5,280 feet.
Change one letter.

Part horse and part donkey.
Change one letter.

A growth on the skin.
Change one letter.

An opening. My shirt has a ___ in it.
Change one letter.

Where a person lives.
Change one letter.

A large, rounded roof or ceiling.
Change one letter.

A white bird.
Change one letter.

l o v e

Name _____


Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Underfoot

It covers the floor.
Add two letters.

_____ 10 _____

 A large fish that looks like a goldfish.
Add one letter.

_____ 9 _____

An automobile.
Take away one letter.

_____ 8 _____

What might be left on your skin after a wound heals.
Change one letter.

_____ 7 _____

Something in the night sky.
Add one letter.

_____ 6 _____

Something black and gooey for fixing roads.
Rearrange the letters.

_____ 5 _____

A rodent.
Change one letter.

_____ 4 _____

An old cloth for cleaning.
Change one letter.

_____ 3 _____

A container for carrying things, like groceries.
Change one letter.

_____ 2 _____

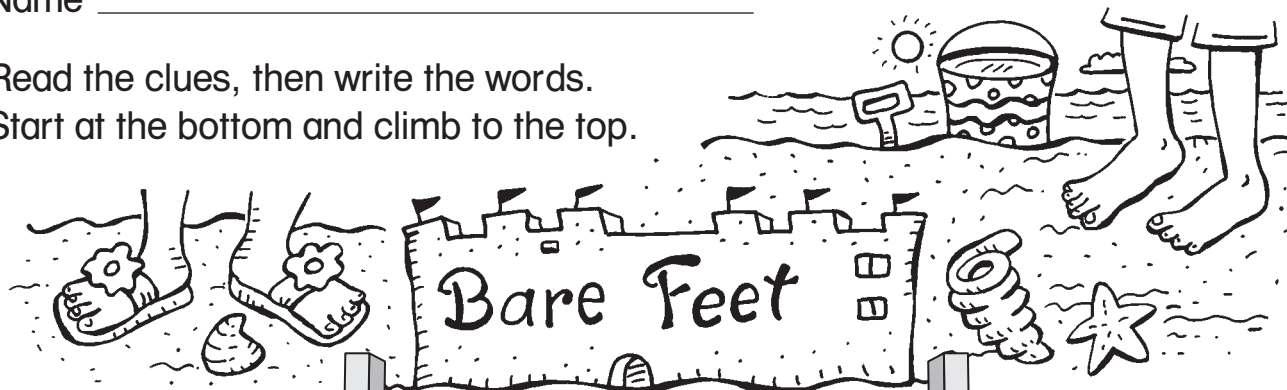
An insect.
Change one letter.

_____ 1 _____

r u g

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A shoe you wear
in summer.
Add two letters.

Salt ___ pepper.
**Change one
letter.**

Pick me up ___ my
house ___ 6:00.
**Take away one
letter.**

Very warm.
**Take away one
letter.**

To let something
be seen.
**Change one
letter.**

You find this on
a beach.
Add one letter.

A small insect.
Add one letter.

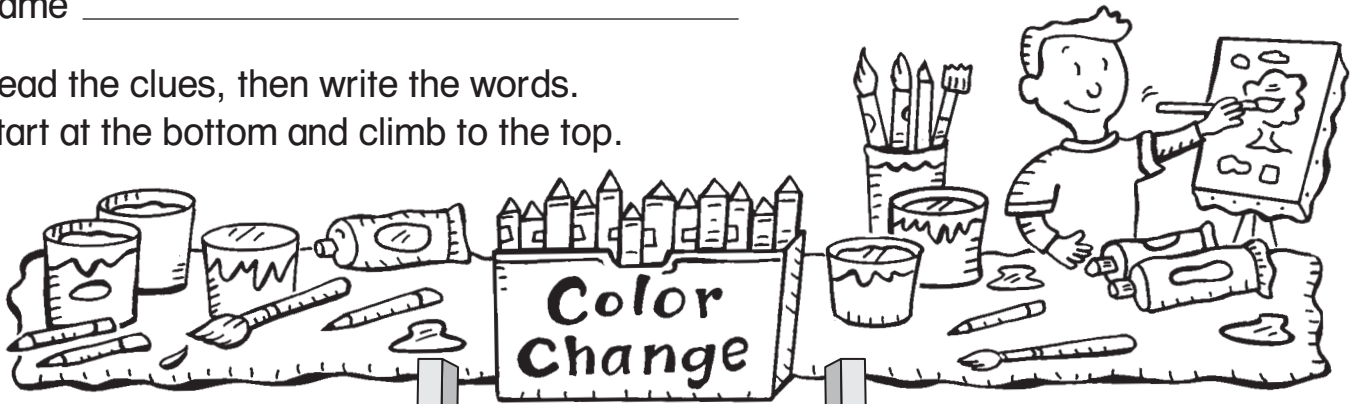
A head covering.
**Change one
letter.**

What you might
get at the
doctor's office.
**Change one
letter.**

A vertical ladder with two side rails and nine horizontal rungs. The rungs are numbered from 1 at the bottom to 9 at the top. Each rung has a dashed line above it for writing. At the bottom of the ladder, the word "shoe" is written in a simple, bold font, with each letter spaced out.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To remove something that is unwanted.

Change one letter.

A tear in something.
Rhymes with *dip*.

Change two letters.

This covers the floor.

Change one letter.

A young bear.

Take away one letter.

This helps solve a mystery.

Change one letter.

Another color.

Change one letter.

The outside part of a wheel.

Change one letter.

Another name for a truck, rhymes with *big*.

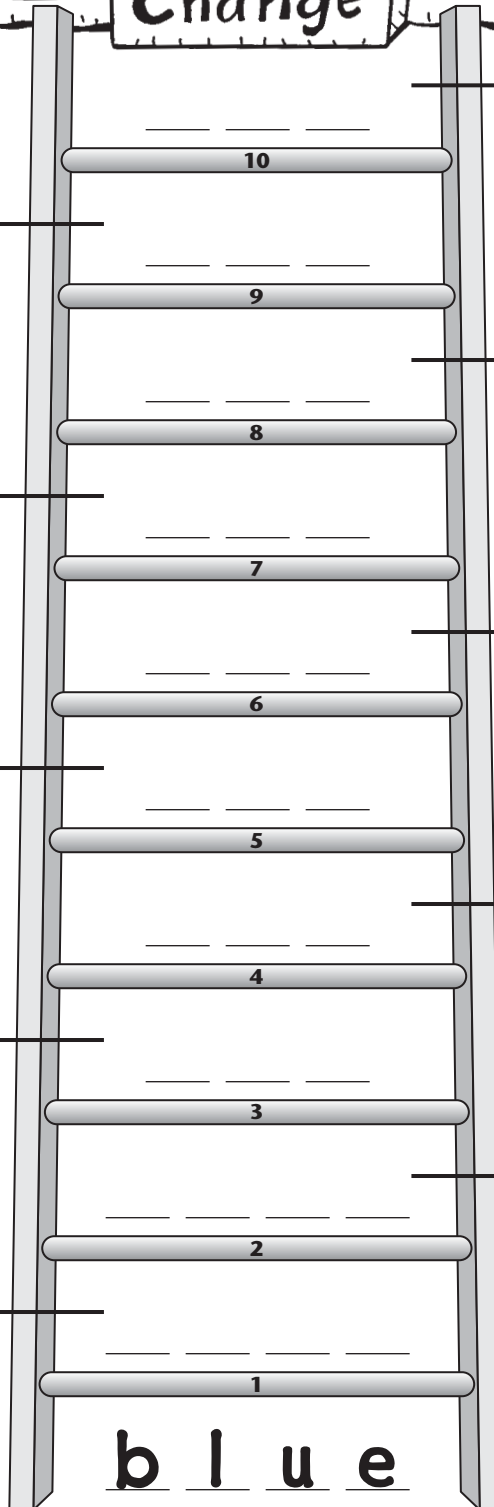
Change one letter.

To press with your hands, as in “___ some sunscreen on my back.”

Change one letter.

A group of people who meet together.

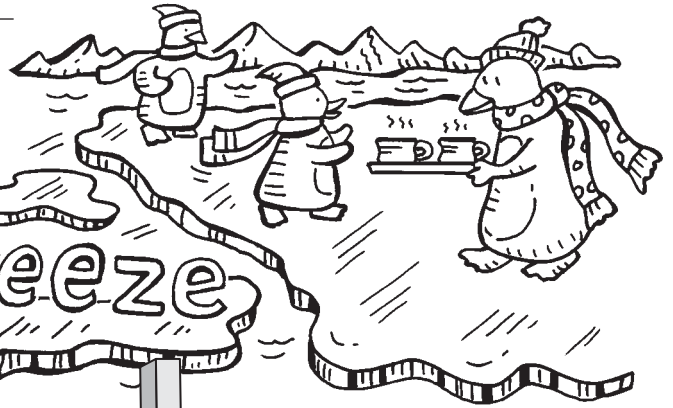
Change one letter.



b l u e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Deep Freeze

A form that ice often comes in. Add one letter.	_____	11	_____	A young bear. Change one letter.
Short for <i>submarine</i> . Take away two letters, then add one.	_____	10	_____	To pull something into your mouth using your tongue and lips. Change one letter.
It happens by chance. Rhymes with <i>duck</i> . Change one letter.	_____	9	_____	What you do with an ice cream cone. Take away one letter.
Smooth and slippery. Change one letter.	_____	8	_____	To cut with a knife. Add one letter.
Tiny insects that live on animals or people. Take away two letters, then add one.	_____	7	_____	Two times. Take away one letter, then add two.
Pleasant or kind. Add one letter.	_____	6	_____	
	_____	5	_____	
	_____	4	_____	
	_____	3	_____	
	_____	2	_____	
	_____	1	_____	

i c e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Things you use for cooking.
Take away one letter, then add two.

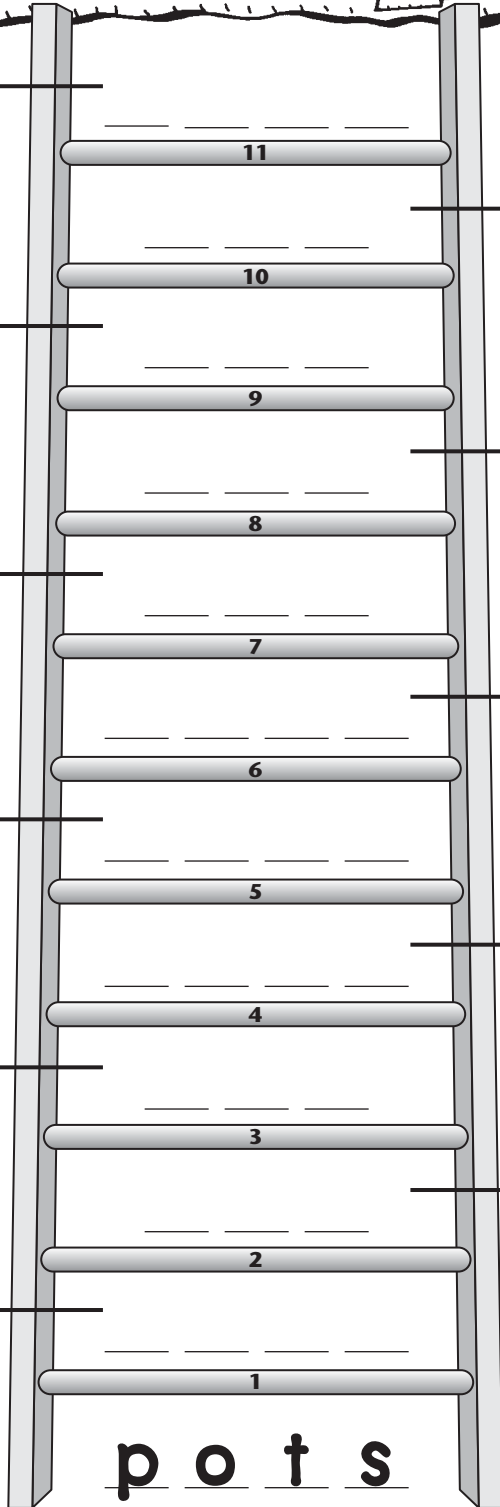
Abbreviation for apartment.
Rearrange the letters.

Opposite of *bottom*.
Take away one letter.

When you first start to walk, you take a ____.
Rearrange letters.

An animal you keep in your house.
Change one letter.

A small mark, like a dot.
Rearrange letters.



Short for *Patrick*.
Rearrange the letters.

To hit something gently.
Change one letter.

To come to a halt.
Change one letter.

Two animals that live in your house.
Add a letter.

Used for cooking.
Take away one letter.

Name _____


Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Giving Thanks

Thanks _____,
a great holiday.
Change one letter.

To be alive.
Change two letters.


 Past tense of *lend*.
Change one letter.

Short for *Benjamin*.
Change one letter.

"Do this first, _____
do that."
Change one letter.

You use your brain to do this.
Take away two letters, then add one.

"We love _____ in
our town"
Take away one letter, then add three.

 Small bits of fluff
you might find in
your pocket.
Take away two letters, then add two more.

Curved or crooked.
Take away one letter.

A chicken that
lays eggs.
Take away one letter.

Not thick.
Take away one letter.

11 _____

10 _____

9 _____

8 _____

7 _____

6 _____

5 _____

4 _____

3 _____

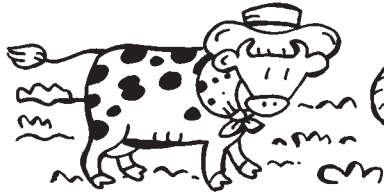
2 _____

1 _____

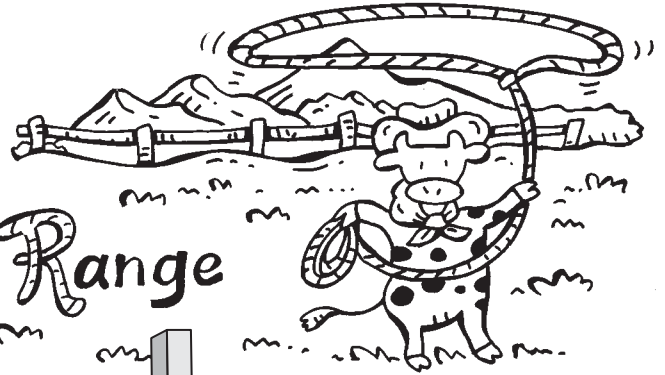
t h a n k s

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




On the Range



Something a child plays with.
Change one letter.

Not high.
Rearrange the letters.

 Another name for birds.
Rearrange the letters.

What you do to candles on a cake.
Rearrange the letters.

You tie a ribbon in a ____.
Change one letter.

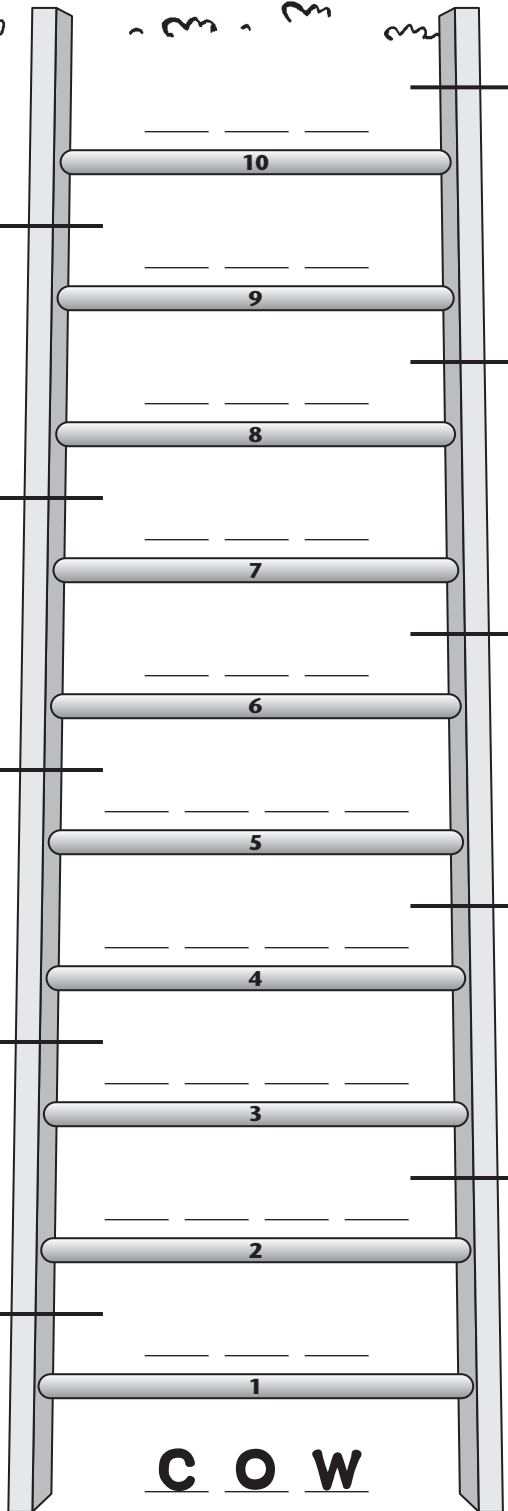
A young man.
Change one letter.

To pull something, especially a truck.
Change one letter.

A night bird that sits in a tree and says, "Whooo."
Take away one letter.

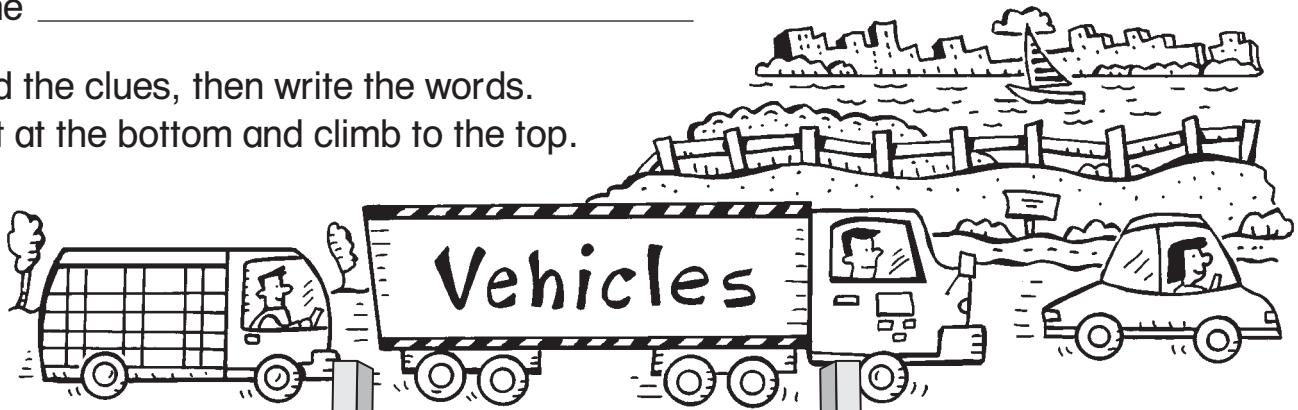
What rivers do when they go downhill.
Change one letter.

You eat soup out of this.
Add one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



An automobile.
Take away one letter.

A pastry.
Add one letter.

Something you see in the sky at night.
Change one letter.

A small branch from a tree or bush.
Change one letter.

To pile things on top of each other.
Add one letter.

To put to bed and cover snugly.
Take away one letter.

A small vehicle sometimes pulled by a horse.
Change one letter.

Goopy black liquid for fixing streets.
Take away one letter.

To mix.
Take away two letters, then add one.

When you can't move, you're ____.
Change one letter.

A small, sharp pin.
Change one letter.

Vehicles

11 _____

10 _____

9 _____

8 _____

7 _____

6 _____

5 _____

4 _____

3 _____

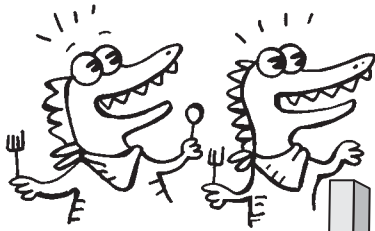
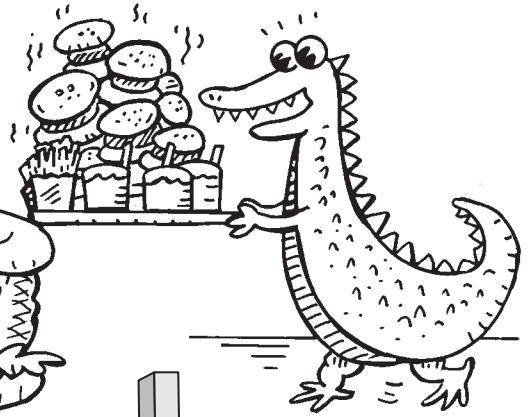
2 _____

1 _____

t r u c k

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



The meal you eat in the evening.
Add three letters.



Loud noise.
Change one letter.

A place for storing things.
Change one letter.

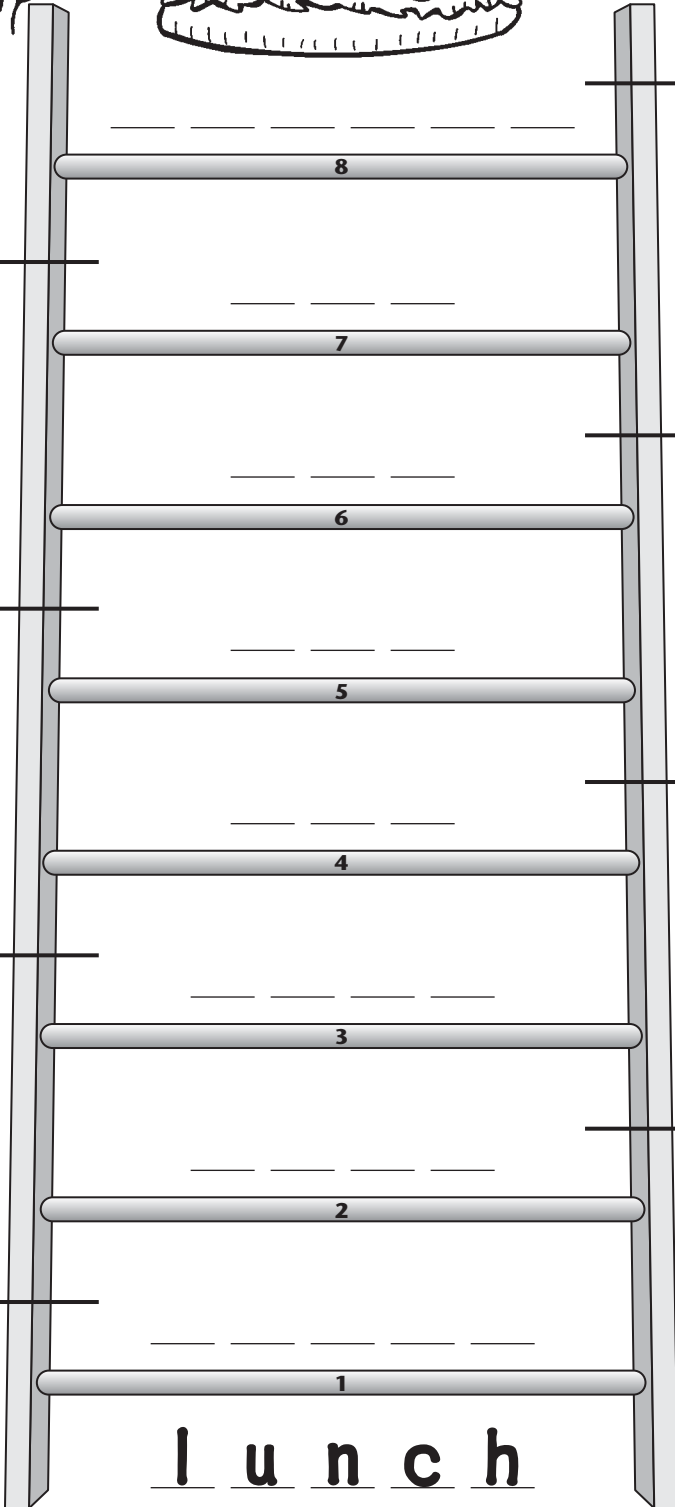
You put a hot dog in a ____.
Change one letter.

To forbid something.
Take away one letter.

A place to save money.
Change one letter.

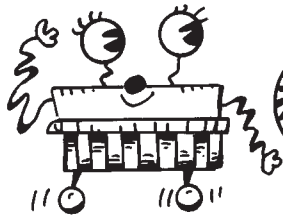
A bed stacked on top of another.
Take away two letters, then add one.

A group of people or things.
Change one letter.

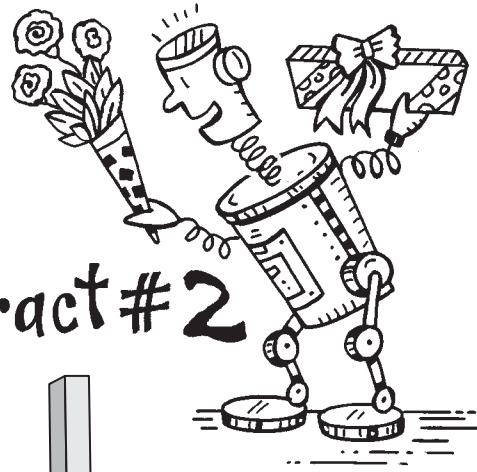


Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Opposites Attract #2



A color, opposite of black.

Add two letters.

To be the right size or shape.

Change one letter.

Another word for *good*.

Change one letter.

To be victorious.

Take away two letters, then add one.

A baby chicken.

Take away one letter, then add two.

To be missing something.

Take away one letter.

To punch or strike.

Change one letter.

Part of a fish.

Take away one letter.

An adult drink made from grapes.

Add one letter.

On your face below your mouth.

Take away two letters, then add one.

What you do with a lollipop.

Change one letter.

Word ladder with 11 levels. The bottom level contains the word "black".

Level 11: _____

Level 10: _____

Level 9: _____

Level 8: _____

Level 7: _____

Level 6: _____

Level 5: _____

Level 4: _____

Level 3: _____

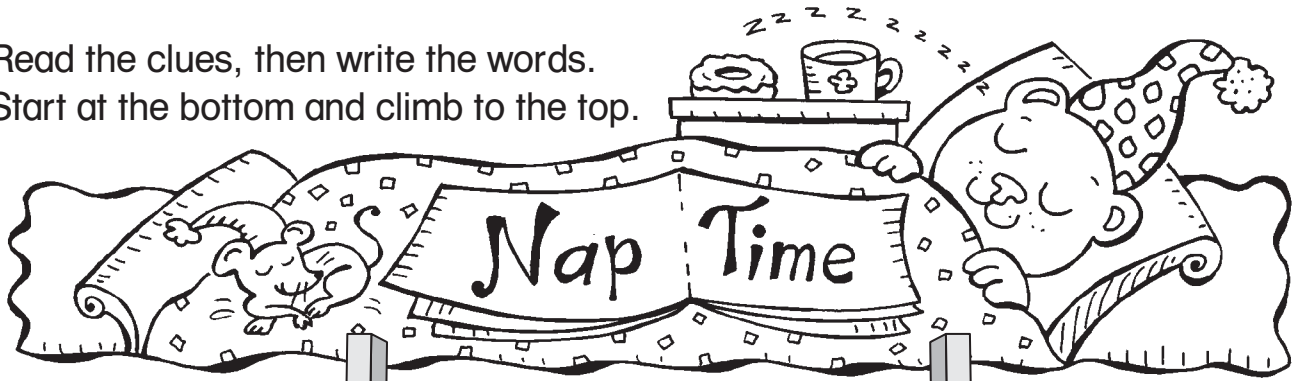
Level 2: _____

Level 1: _____

b l a c k

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To flow slowly.
Add one letter.

A large body
of water.
**Change one
letter.**

Golfers put a golf
ball on this.
**Take away
a letter.**

To attempt.
**Take away three
letters.**

A flat pot for
cooking.
**Rearrange the
letters.**

What you do
when you nap.
Add one letter.

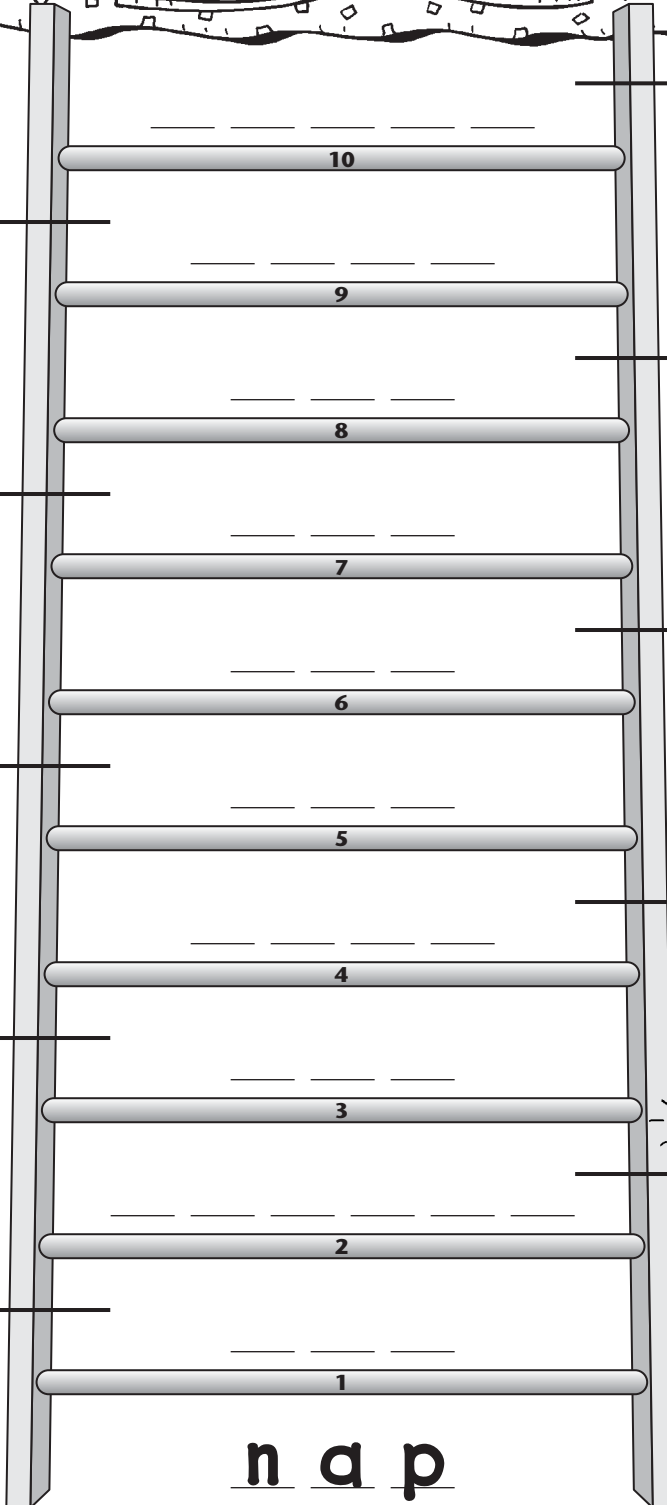
With your eyes,
you ____.
**Change one
letter.**

A hot drink.
**Change one
letter.**

Gives us shade
outdoors.
**Take away one
letter, then add
two.**

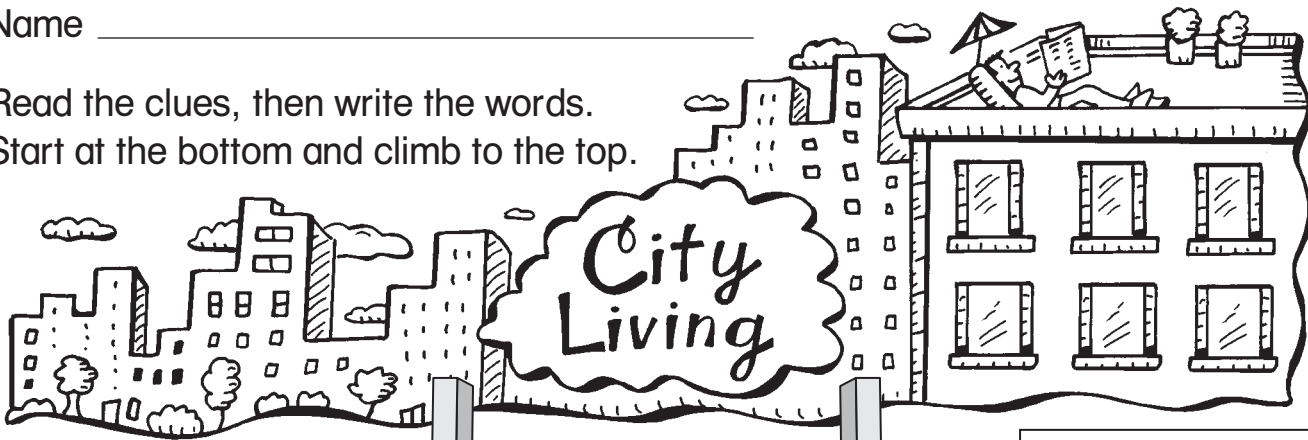


A place to keep
food.
Add three letters.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Smaller than a city.
Add one letter.

8

Trucks might do this
to cars that have
broken down.
Change one letter.

7

A toddler.
Change one letter.

6

Short for *Thomas*.
Change one letter.

5

A part of the foot.
Change one letter.


4

Something men wear
around their necks.
Change one letter.

3

A pastry often filled
with fruit.
**Take away two
letters, then add
one.**

2

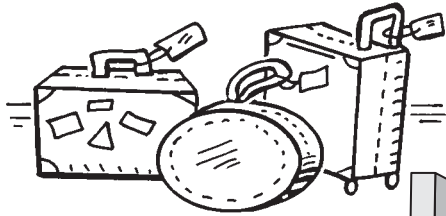
 If you feel sorry for
someone, you feel this.
Change one letter.

1

c i t y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Air Travel

A vehicle that can fly.
Add one letter.

9

Steps to getting something done.
Take away one letter.

8

Living thing that is not an animal.
Add one letter.


7

To breathe heavily, like a dog after a run.
Add one letter.

6

A flat pot used for cooking.
Take away one letter.

5

 The distance between two things.
Take away one letter.

4

A country in Europe where Spanish is spoken.
Add one letter.

3

A feeling of hurt.
Change one letter.

2

Two of something.
Add one letter.

1

a i r

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A small piece
of something.
**Take away
one letter.**

The winner.
Short for
champion.
**Change two
letters.**

To put in the
ground to grow.
**Add one
letter.**

A vehicle that flies.
**Change one
letter.**

Not on time.
**Take away
five letters.**

Short name for a
kind of ape.
**Change one
letter.**

A sound or song
you repeat over
and over.
**Change two
letters.**

Steps to
accomplish
something.
**Take away
one letter.**

A dish.
Add one letter.

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

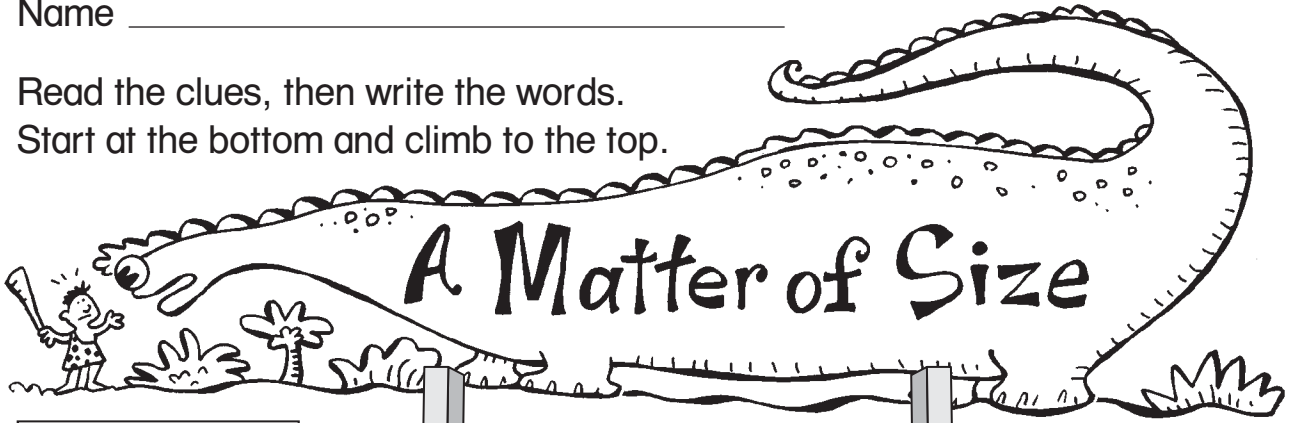
2

1

c h o c o l a t e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A Matter of Size

Not big.
Add one letter.

A type of shopping center.
Change one letter.

9 _____

If you are a man or a boy, you are _____.
Change one letter.

8 _____

A distance of 5,280 feet.
Take away one letter.

7 _____

A grin.
Rearrange letters.

6 _____

Slippery goop you might not want to put your hand in.
Add one letter.

5 _____

A green citrus fruit that looks like a lemon.
Change one letter.

4 _____

Another word for *weak*. An animal that hurts its leg is _____.
Change one letter.

3 _____

Not early, but _____.
Take away two letters, then add one.

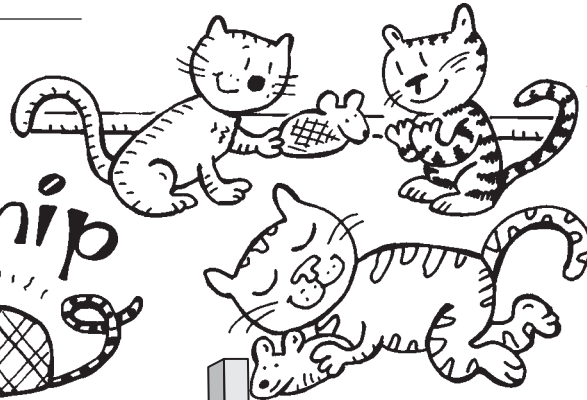
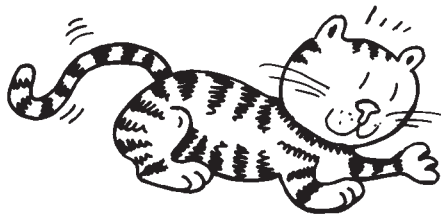
2 _____

1 _____

l a r g e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A building in which people live.
Add one letter.

Where you live.
Take away one letter, then add two.

Covers your head.
Change one letter.

To have been seated.
Take away one letter.

What you yell at an animal to send it away.
Add one letter.

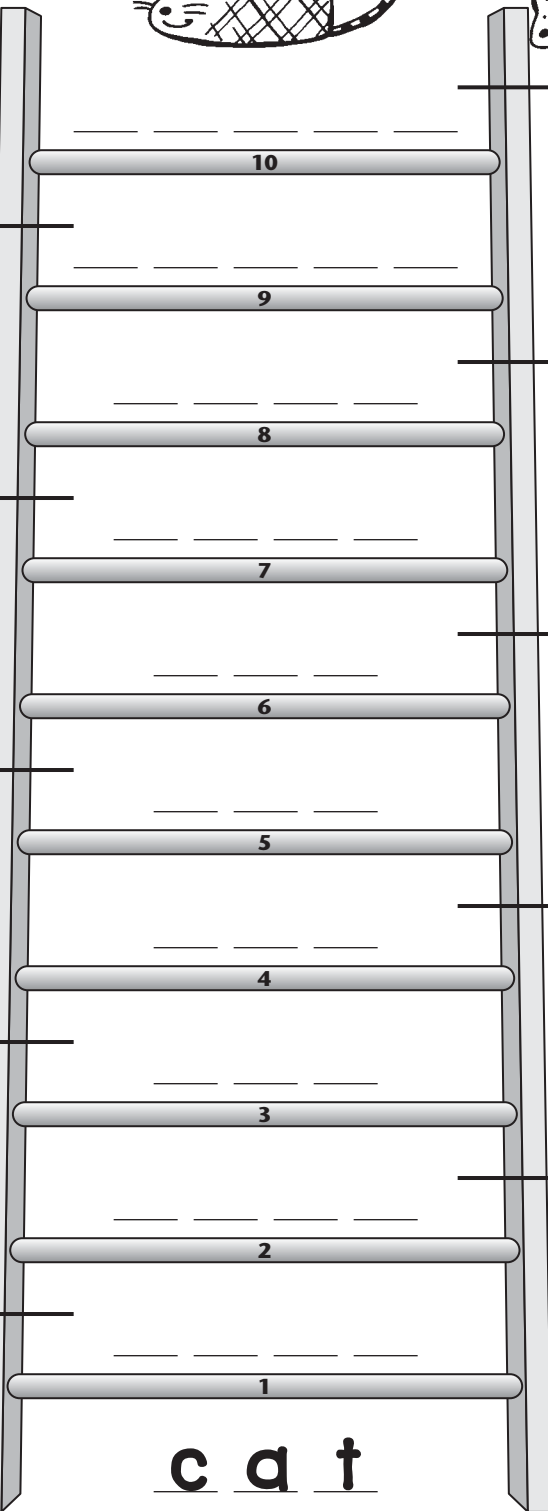
An animal a cat likes to chase.
Change one letter.

A long tube that carries water.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *cold*.
Change one letter.

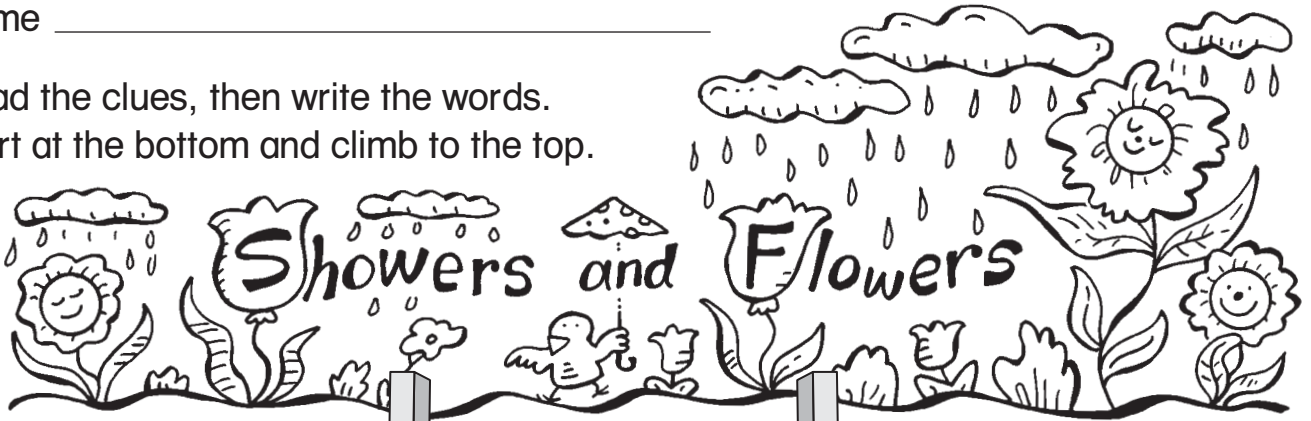
A rodent that looks like a large mouse.
Change one letter.

A little fight.
Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



The month after April.
Change one letter.

9

A chart or diagram
that shows the layout
of places.
Change one letter.

8

You can clean
floors with this.
**Change one
letter.**

7

To jump up and down.
Take away one letter.

6

A store.
Change one letter.

5

A large boat.
Add one letter.

4

To drink in small amounts.
Take away one letter.

3

To slide on something
slippery.
Add one letter.

2

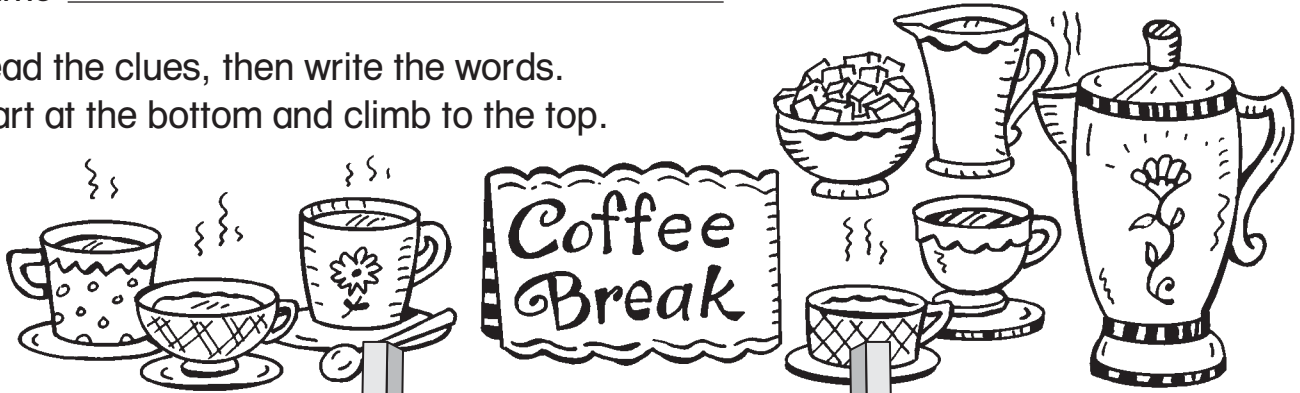
The edge or rim of
a container.
**Take away two
letters, then
rearrange the rest.**

1

A p r i l

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Another type of hot drink.
Change one letter.

The ___ steps were hard to climb.
Change one letter.

What we usually do at night.
Change one letter.

A ___ of paper.
Take away one letter, then add two.

The amount you pay to do or use something.
Take away the first three letters.

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

c o f f e e

Golfers use this to hit a ball from.
Take away two letters.

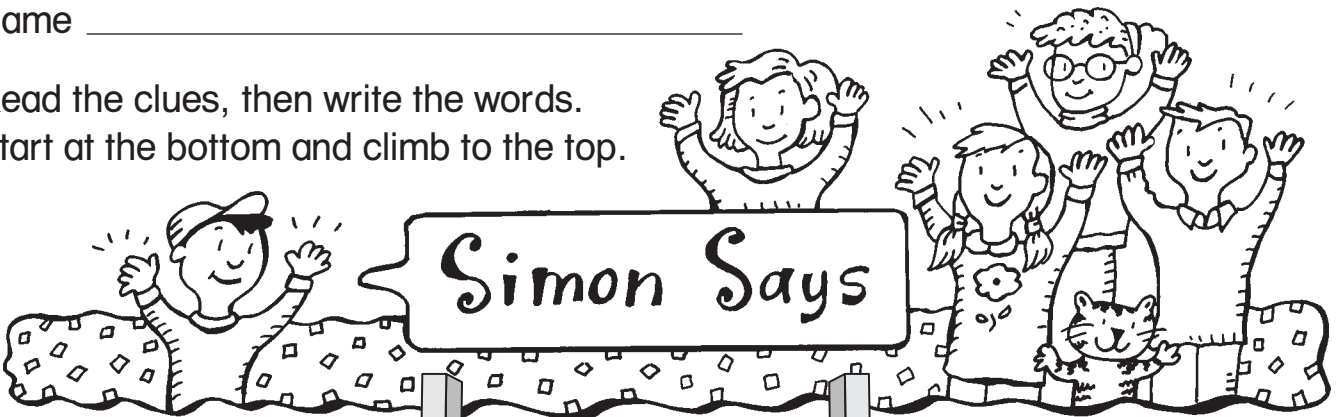
Animals that give us wool.
Change one letter.

Frozen rain.
Change one letter.

These are found at the end of our legs.
Add one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



The past tense of *bite*.
Yesterday I ___ into
an apple.
Change one letter.

Not good.
Change one letter.

A woman who is paid
to clean houses.
Change one letter.

Today I say hello,
yesterday I ___ hello.
Add one letter.

Found on the beach.
Take away one letter.

Instead of standing, I
think I'll ____.
Change one letter.

To make an offer to
buy something.
Rhymes with *rid*.
Change one letter.

Angry.
Take away one letter.

Gave money for
something.
Change one letter.

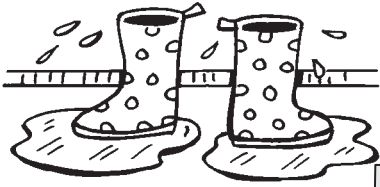
Unhappy.
Take away one letter.

10
9
8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1

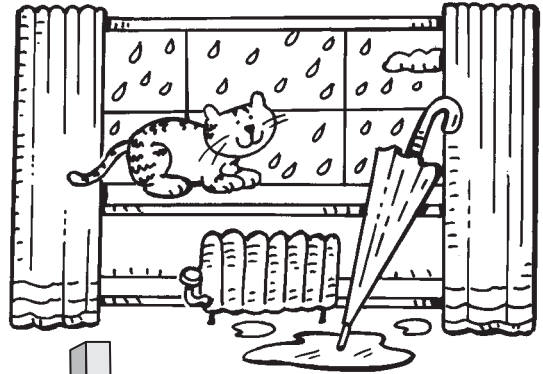
s t a n d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Wet and Wetter



Very damp.
Take away one letter.

9

To have gone
somewhere.
Change one letter.

8

If you desire something,
you _____ it.
Change one letter.

7

A small, hard lump
on the skin.
Change one letter.

6

Not all of something.
Rearrange letters.

5

Used to catch animals.
Take away one letter.

4



To walk with heavy
steps. Rhymes
with *lamp*.
**Change one
letter.**

3

If you run for too
long, you can get
a painful _____.
Add one letter.

2

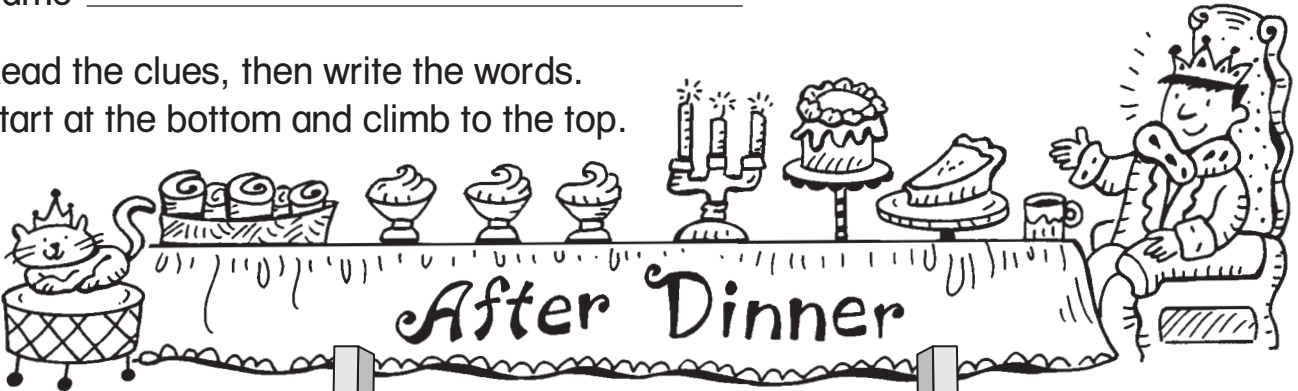
A sloping surface, like
for skateboarding.
Change one letter.

1

d a m p

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A pastry dessert.
Take away one letter, then rearrange the rest.

____ _
9

When fruit is ready to eat, it's ____.
Change one letter.

____ _
8

A strong string for tying things.
Change one letter.

____ _
7

A large city in Italy.
Change one letter.

____ _
6

A flower that grows on a thorny bush.
Rearrange letters.


____ _
5

Painful.
Change one letter.

____ _
4

To put things into categories.
Take away two letters.

____ _
3


A place to go for vacation.
Change two letters.

____ _
2

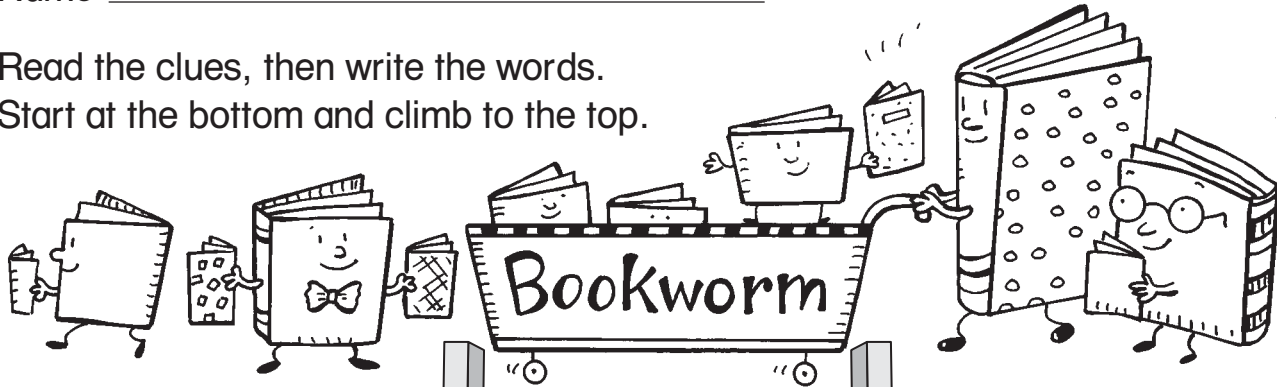
A place with little rain.
Take away one letter.

____ _
1

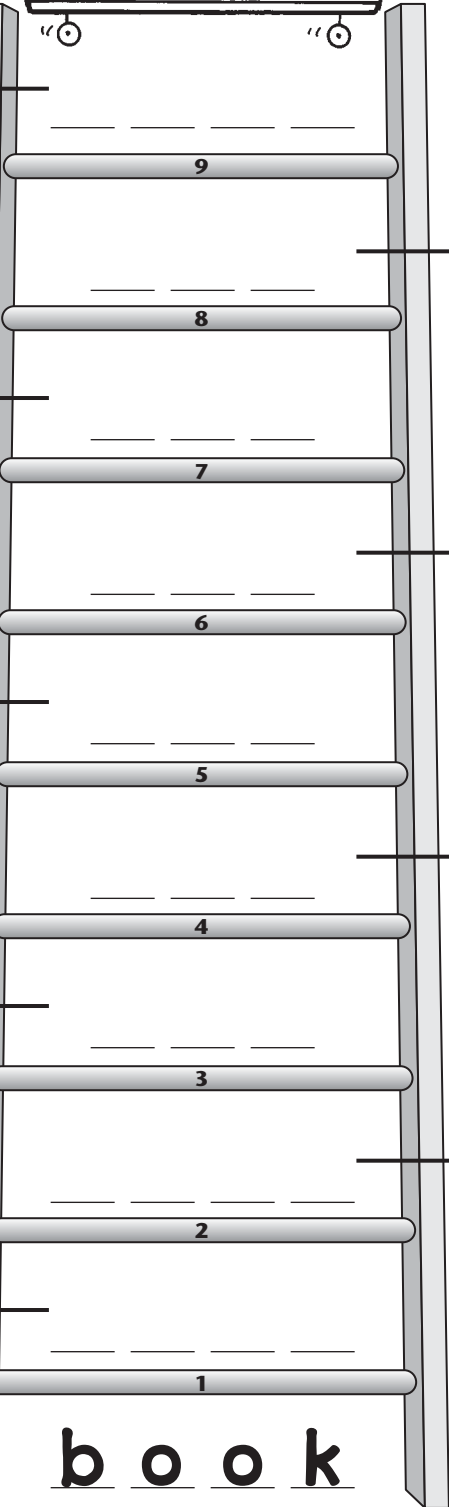
d e s s e r t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



What you do with a book.
Add one letter.



To remove something is to get ____ of it.
Change one letter.

A boy or man is called ____.
Change one letter.



Line from "The Little Drummer Boy": pa ____ pum pum pum.
Take away two vowels, then add one.

A loud noise.
Change one letter.

A color.
Change one letter.

The outer part of a wheel.
Change one letter.

A musical noise made with your lips closed.
Change one letter.

Enough space for something.
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Daily Journey

A place for learning.
Add two letters.

9

Somewhat cold; not hot.
Change two letters.

8

Flexible rope.
Rhymes with *bored*.
Change one letter.

7

The middle of an apple.
Change one letter.

6

Painful.
Change one letter.

5

Opposite of *less*.
Rearrange letters.

4

A large city in Italy.
Change one letter.

3

Not all but _____.
Change one letter.

2

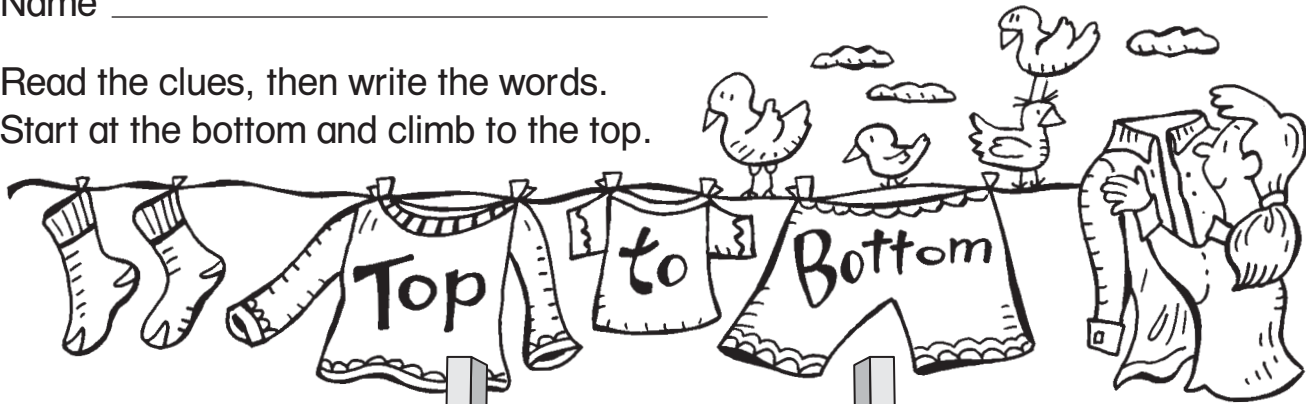
To move toward a place.
Change one letter.

1

h o m e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To walk slowly behind others.
Change one letter.

A taxi.
Take away one letter.

What you may say to an animal to make it go away.
Add one letter.

Worn on the head.
Change one letter.

A male sheep.
Rearrange letters.

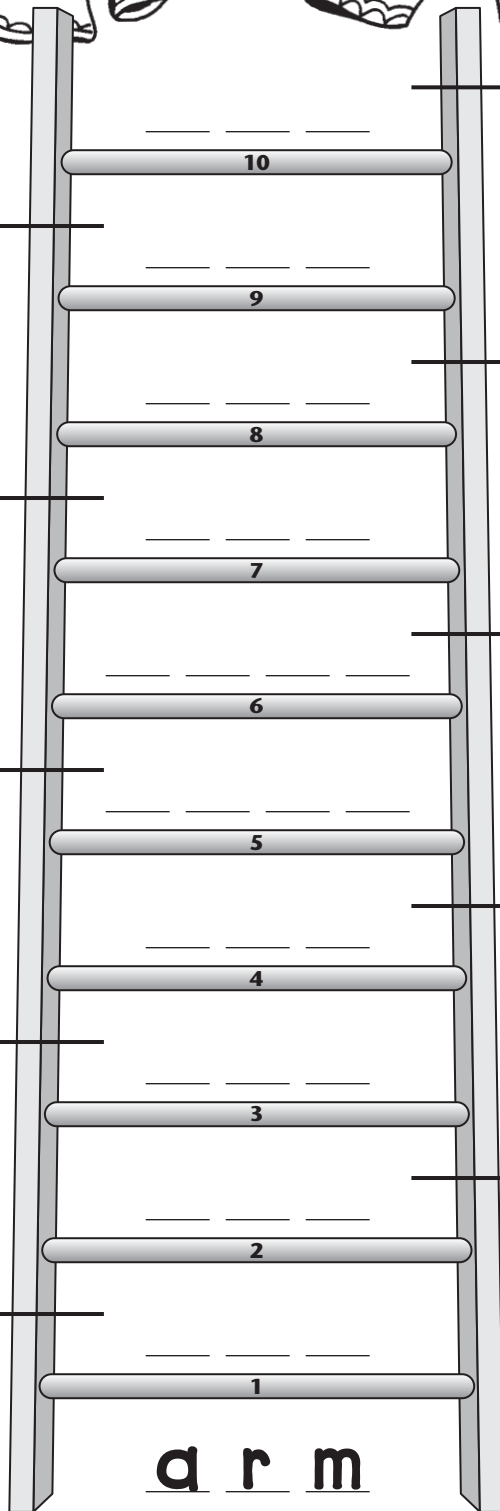
You use this for walking.
Change one letter.

Short for *laboratory*.
Change one letter.

The hard covering over a wound that is healing.
Change one letter.

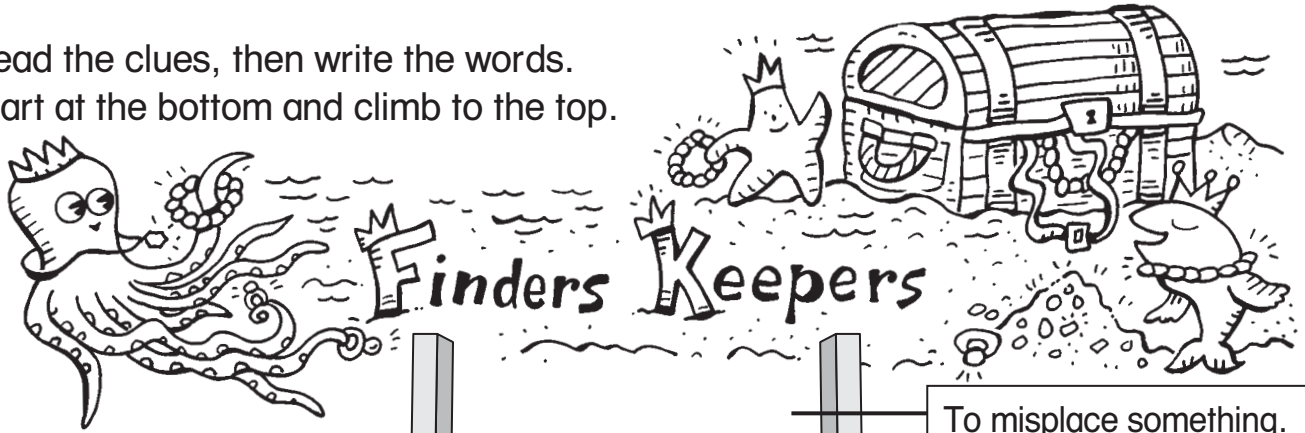
A house pet related to a tiger.
Change one letter.

Meat sometimes eaten in a sandwich with cheese.
Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



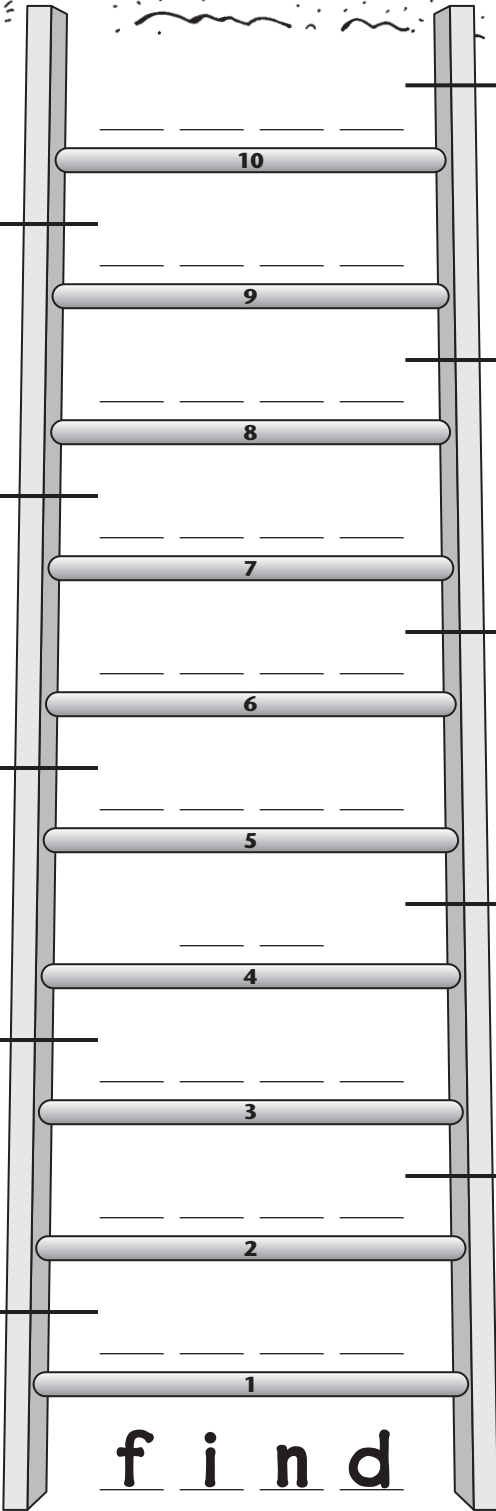
A flower with thorns.
Rearrange letters.

Not all of something,
but ____.
Change one letter.

Opposite of less.
Add two letters.

 Golfers yell this as
a warning. Rhymes
with *more*.
Change one letter.

What you might
answer if someone
asks how you are.
Change one letter.



To misplace something.
Change one letter.

Painful.
Change one letter.

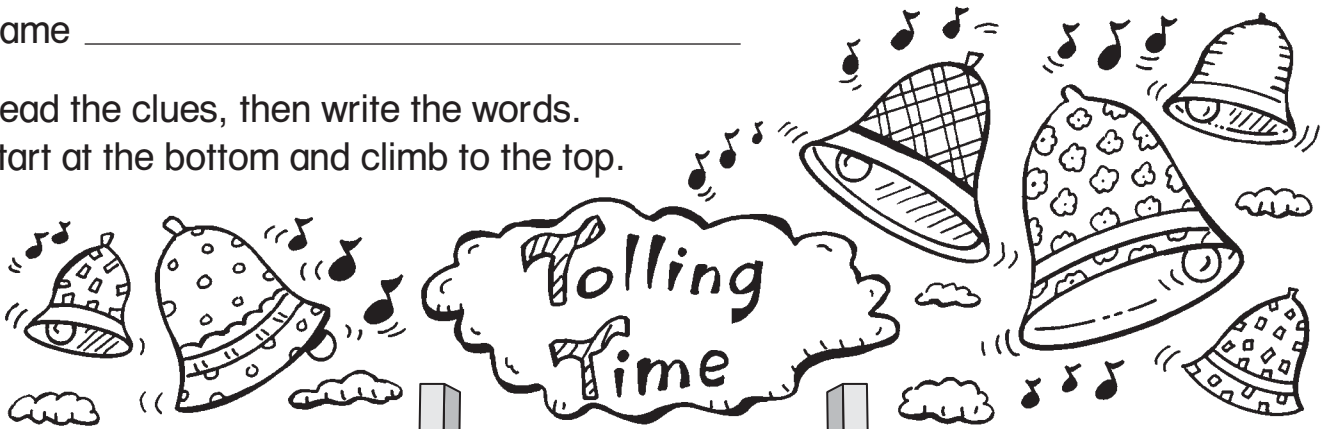
A city in Italy.
Rearrange letters.

This ____ that; him ____ her.
Take away two letters.

When dry logs are lit with
a match, it makes this.
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A truck is sometimes called a big ____.
Change one letter.

What you do to the gas tank in your car.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *empty*.
Change one letter.

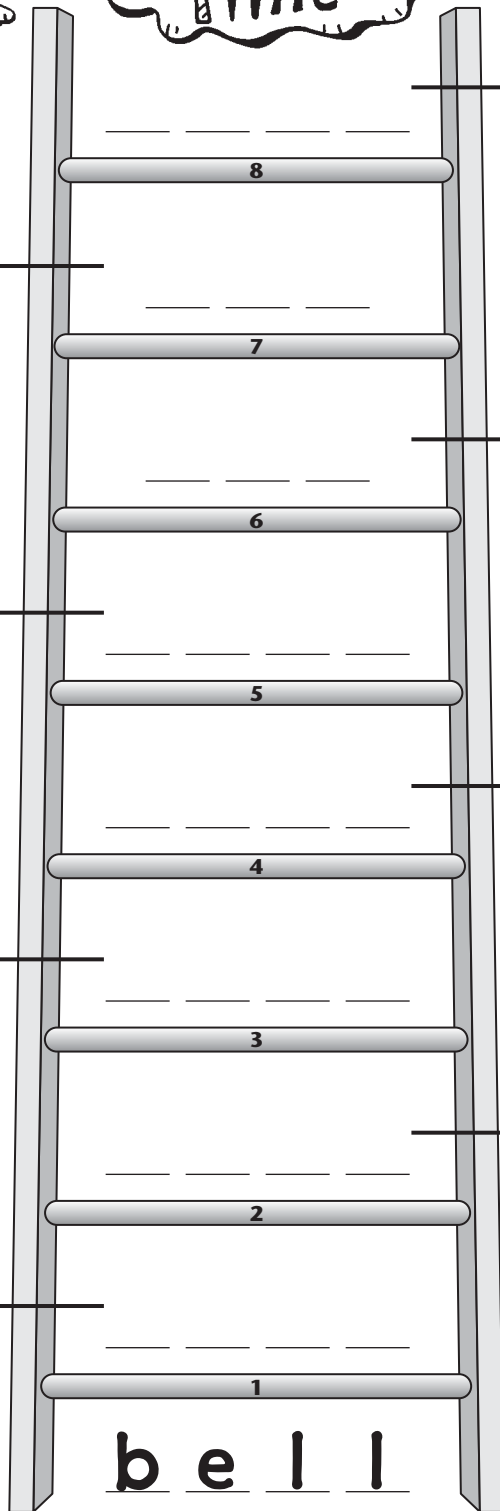
You need this for soccer.
Change one letter.

The noise made by a bell.
Add one letter.

A small, sweet fruit with tiny seeds.
Take away two letters, then add one.

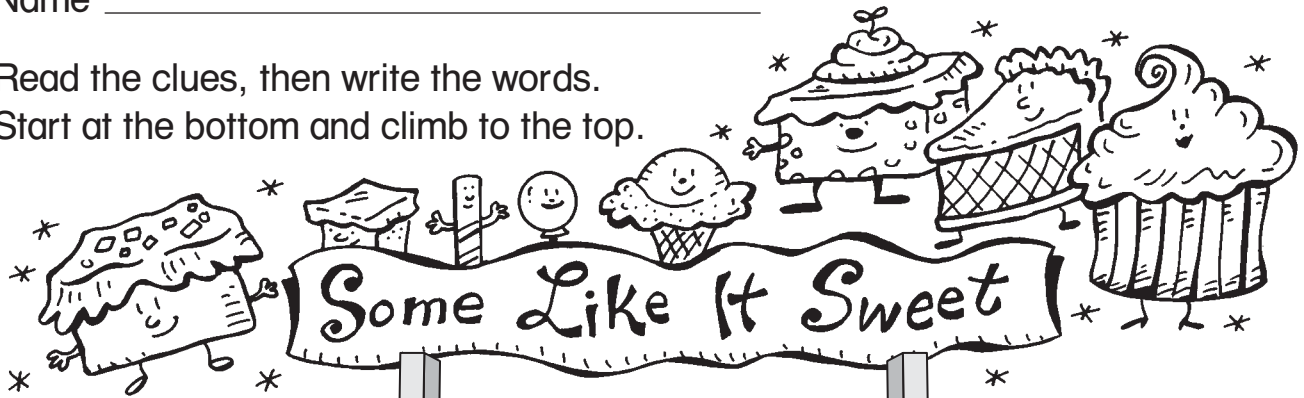
Autumn.
Change one letter.

A male cow.
Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Not sweet.
Add one letter.

10

Belonging to us.
Change one letter.

9

Opposite of *in*.
Change one letter.

8

To place something.
Change the vowel.

7

An animal that lives in your house.
Change one letter.

6

Things that go together, like a chess ____.
Change one letter.

5

Opposite of *dry*.
Add one letter.

4

Another word for *us*.
Take away one letter.

3

Something very small, like ____ Willie Winkie.
Take away two letters.

2

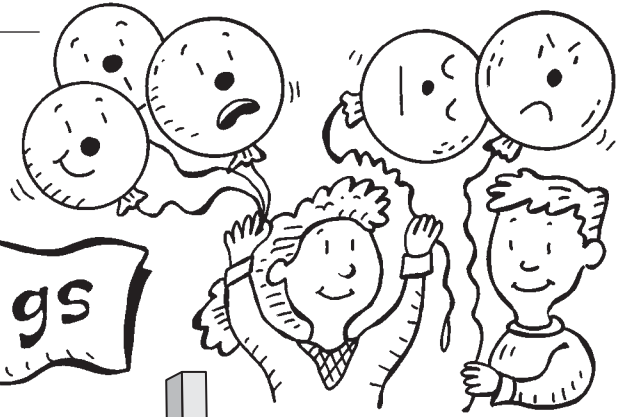
A bird makes this sound.
Change one letter.

1

s w e e t

Name _____


Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Feelings

Not happy.
Change one letter.

____ _
9

 A young male child.
Rhymes with *mad*.
Change one letter.

The covering for a pot.
Change one letter.

____ _
8

The edge of your mouth.
Change one letter.

To lean or fall over.
Change one letter.

____ _
7


____ _
6

To hit lightly.
Change one letter.

Liquid that flows through a plant or tree.
Take away two letters.

____ _
5

____ _
4

 Too sweet or sentimental. Rhymes with *happy*.
Change one letter.

An old nickname meaning *dad*.
Change one letter.

____ _
3

____ _
2

____ _
1

h a p p y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Bright
Light



You'll find a light ____
in a lamp.
Change one letter.

A male cow.
Change two letters.

To hit with your head.
Change one letter.

A mixed-breed dog
is also called this.
Change one letter.

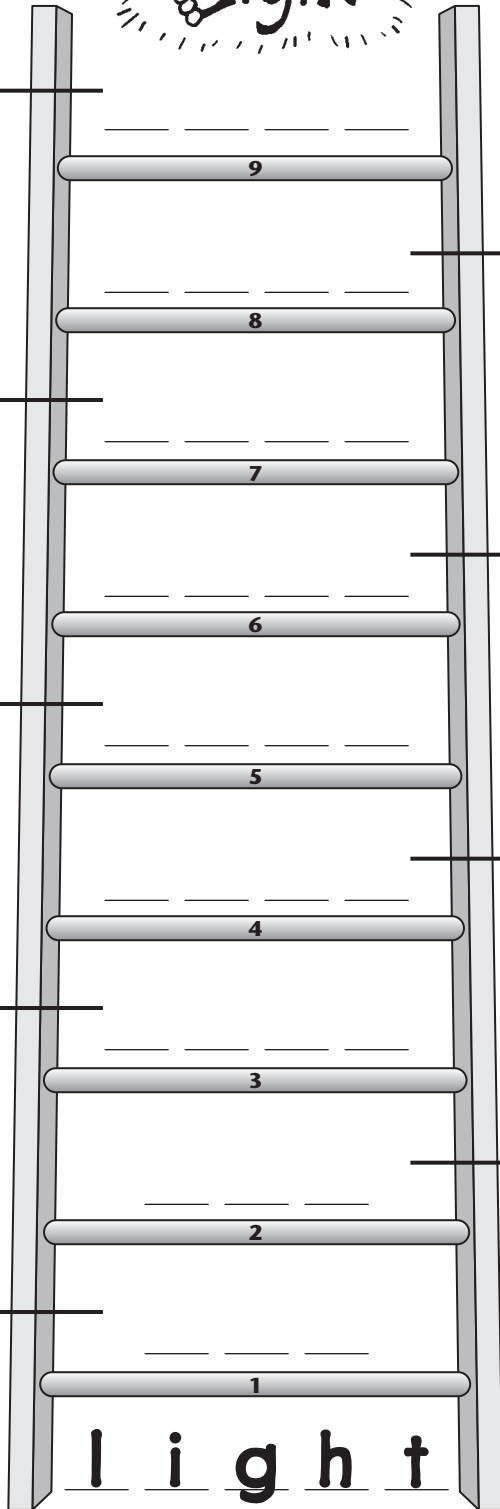
A baseball glove.
Change one letter.

A light rain.
Change one letter.

You make this when
you curl your hand up.
Add one letter.

To be the right size
or shape.
Change one letter.

He ____ a fire in the
fireplace.
Take away two letters.



l i g h t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Play Ball!




Something you play.
Change one letter.

Two things that are alike are the ____.
Add one letter.

Short for *Samuel*.
Change one letter.

Meat that comes from a pig.
Change one letter.

The edge of a piece of clothing.
Change one letter.

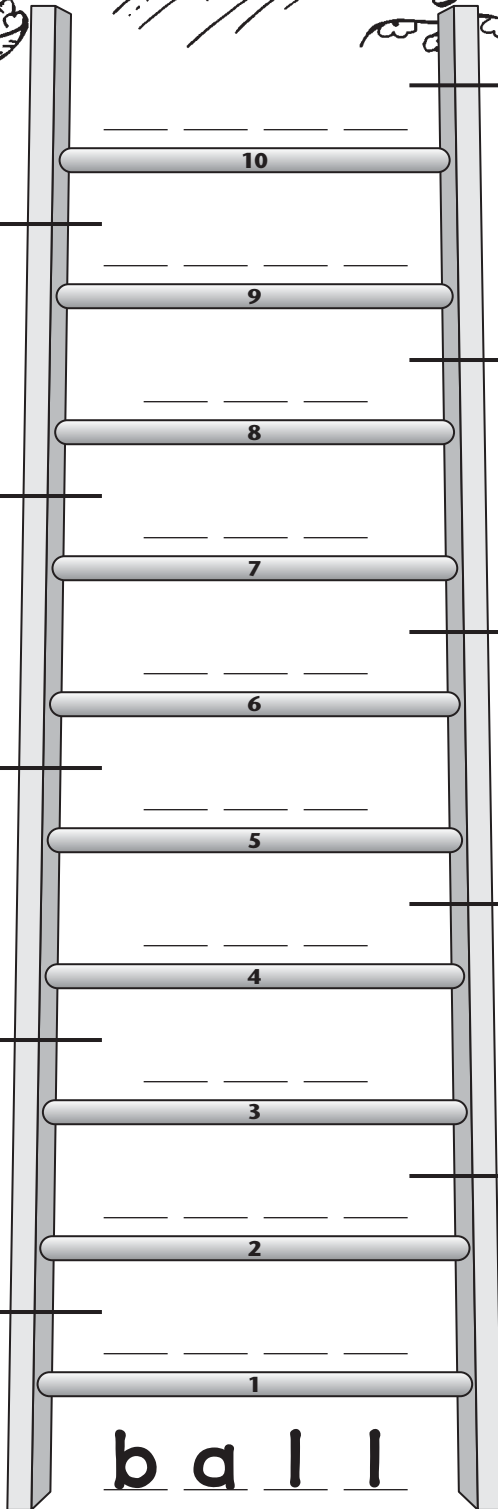
 A precious stone.
Change one letter.

To gain or receive something.
Change one letter.

A wager or guess.
Take away one letter.

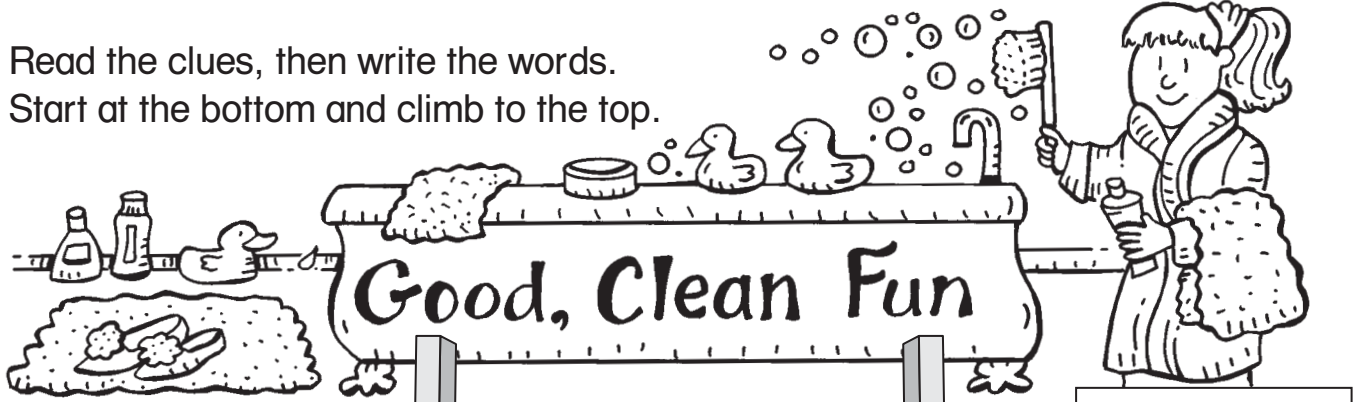
It holds up pants.
Change one letter.

It makes a ringing noise.
Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Not clean.
Add one letter.

10 _____

Soil.
Change one letter.

9 _____

You throw this pointed object at a board.
Change one letter.

8 _____

A vehicle that carries things.
Add one letter.

7 _____

An animal that is often a pet.
Change one letter.

6 _____

A winged animal that flies at night.
Change one letter.

5 _____

A wager or guess.
Take away one letter.

4 _____

To win or be victorious.
Change one letter.

3 _____

Something you eat, maybe with rice.
Change one letter.

2 _____

Not fat.
Take away one letter.

1 _____

c l e a n

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Gently Down the Stream

For traveling on water.
Take away two letters, then add one.

_____ 9 _____

The opposite of *sink*.
Take away one letter, then add two.

_____ 8 _____

You wear this when it's cold.
Add one letter.

_____ 7 _____

A small bed.
Change one letter.

_____ 6 _____

A fish we eat.
Rhymes with *rod*.
Change one letter.

_____ 5 _____

An animal that gives milk.
Take away two letters.

_____ 4 _____

A large group of people.
Add one letter.

_____ 3 _____

A large black bird.
Take away two letters, then add one.

_____ 2 _____

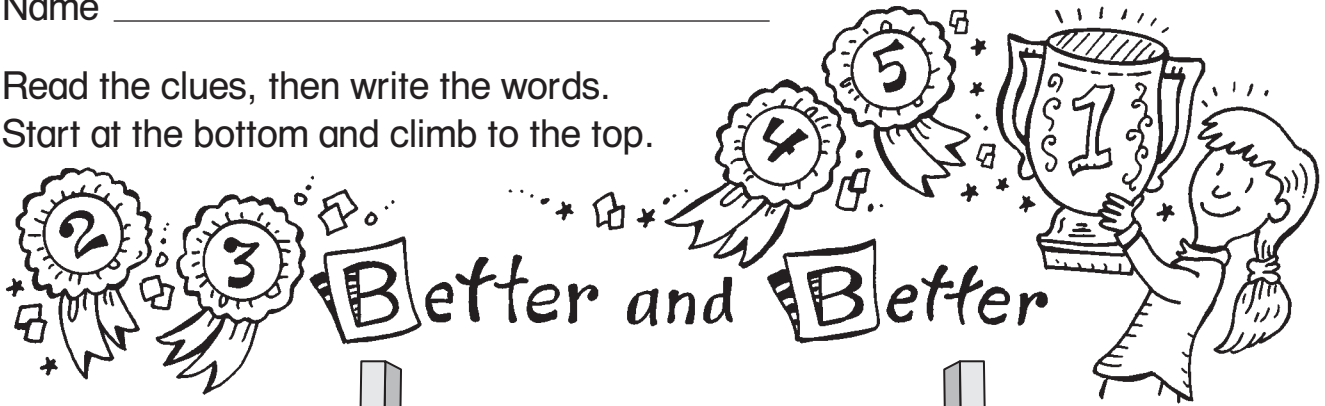
To toss, fling, or hurl through the air.
Add two letters.

_____ 1 _____

r o w

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Better than everything else.
Add one letter.

A wager or gamble for money.
Take away three letters.

More than good.
Change one letter.

More wet.
Add three letters.

Not dry.
Change one letter.

The ability to say clever or funny things.
Change one letter.

To strike.
Change one letter.

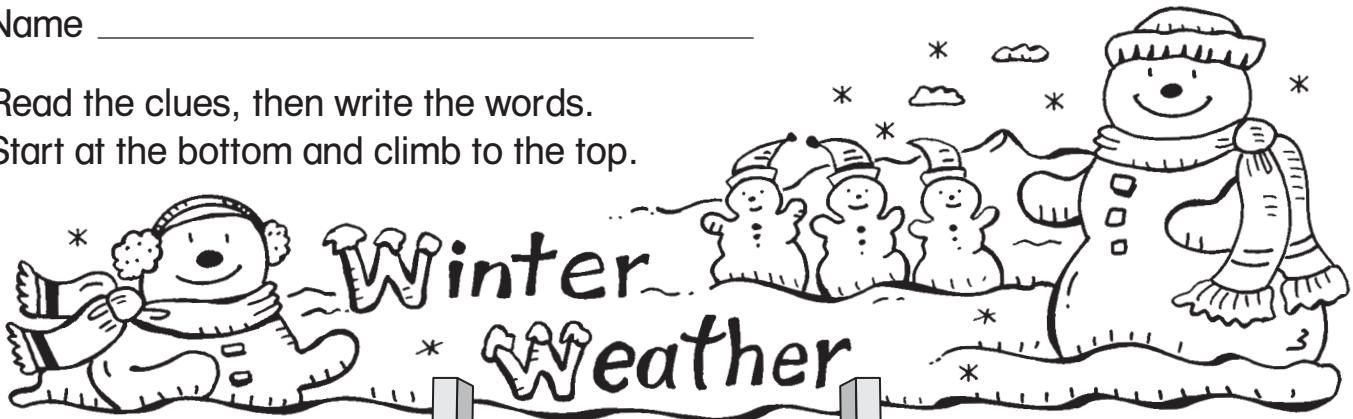
Put out of sight.
Take away two letters, then add one.

A head covering often attached to a coat.
Change one letter.

g o o d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



When it's very cold, it can ____.
Add one letter.

Another word for the present time.
Take away two letters, then add one.

You need it for smelling.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *win*.
Rearrange letters.

The bottom of your foot.
Change one letter.

Not bought, but ____.
Add one letter.

Not young.
Take away one letter.

To shape something, like clay.
Change one letter.

To bend and crease.
Change one letter.

Brave or daring.
Change one letter.

10 _____

9 _____

8 _____

7 _____

6 _____

5 _____

4 _____

3 _____

2 _____

1 _____

c o l d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Brrrrrk!



To grip with your teeth.
Change one letter.

9

You can fly this.
Add one letter.

8

A set of tools for a purpose, like a model airplane _____.
Change one letter.

7

Chomped on something.
Change one letter.

6

A candle is ____ with a match.
Take away one letter.

5

When you go to the grocery, you may bring a ____ of what you need.
Change one letter.

4

A light rain.
Change one letter.

3

The greatest amount.
Change one letter.

2

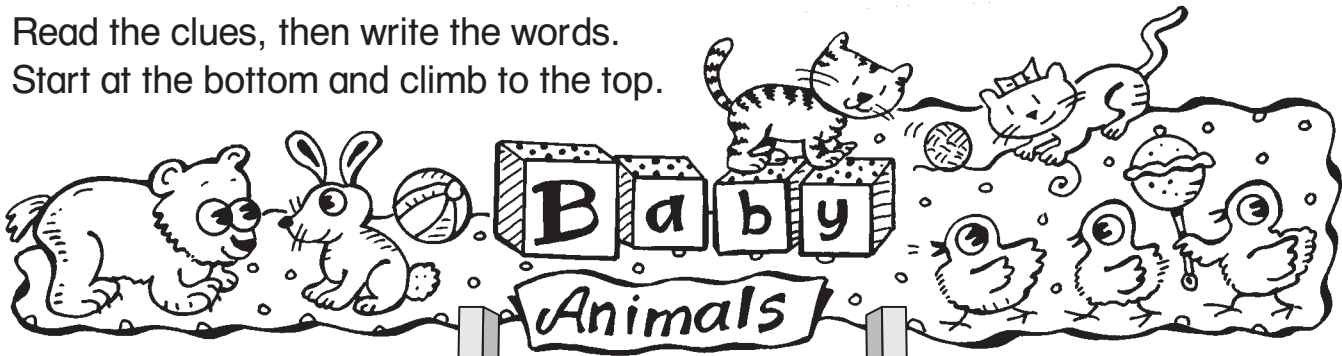
If you can't find something, it's _____.
Take away two letters, then add one.

1

f r o s t


Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A young bear.
Change one letter.

Where you take
a bath.
Change one letter.


A flap or loop attached
to something. Rhymes
with *lab*.
Change one letter.

A black, gooey substance
for patching roads.
Take away one letter.

This is in the night sky.
Change one letter.

A mark on the skin
from an old wound.
Add one letter.

Automobile.
Take away one letter.

Concern, as in "I like
to take ___ of my new
puppy."
Change one letter.

Uncovered.
Add one letter.

A flat block of something,
like a chocolate ____.
Take away one letter.

A vertical ladder with 10 rungs, numbered 1 to 10 from bottom to top. At the base of the ladder, the word "bear" is written in lowercase letters. Each rung is a horizontal bar with a number in the center. Lines connect the rungs to clue boxes on either side.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Fizzy Drinks



Another name
for a fizzy drink.
Add one letter.

9



Grass attached to earth.
Change one letter.

8

Not happy.
Change one letter.

7

Short for *Sidney*.
Change one letter.

6

What you do in a chair.
Take away one letter.

5

Saliva.
Add one letter.

4

A hole in the ground.
Change one letter.

3

An animal that lives
in a house.
Change one letter.

2

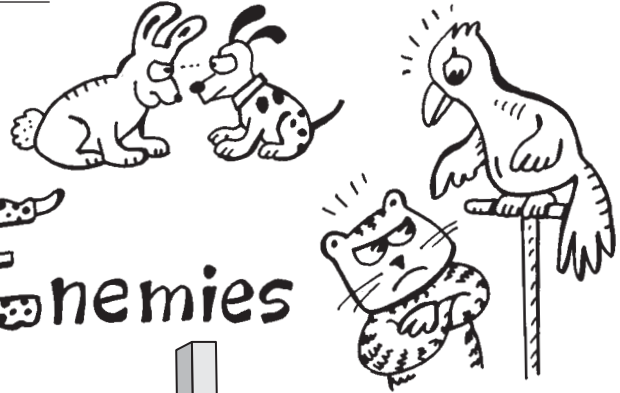
Lots of energy.
Change one letter.

1

p o p

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




Animal Enemies

Tigers and lions belong to this animal family.
Change one letter.


9

To touch someone on the head.
Take away two letters.

8

 A sound made when an egg hits the ground.
Add one letter.

7

 A little fight.
Add one letter.

6

To have been seated.
Change one letter.

5

What you do in a chair.
Change one letter.

4

To be the right size or shape.
Change one letter.

3

A small, sweet fruit with tiny seeds.
Change one letter.

2

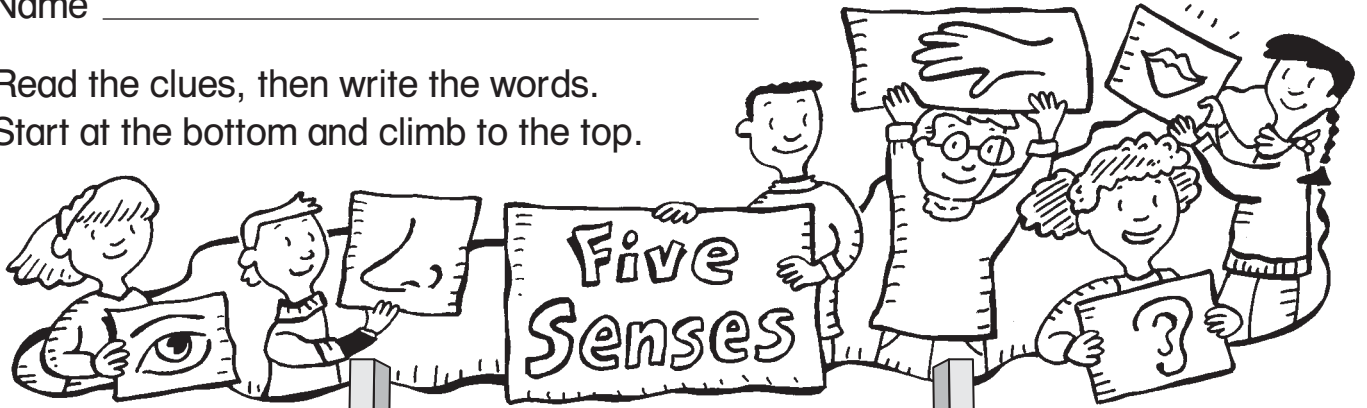
A thick mist of water vapor in the air.
Change one letter.

1

d o g

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



You do this with your ears.
Change one letter.

Fitness or wellness.
Take away two letters, then add one.

To take something that's not yours.
Change one letter.

A group of players.
Add one letter.

Ocean.
Change one letter.

To get well.
Take away two letters.

Something done secretly is done with ____.
Add two letters.

Vapor made by heating water.
Add one letter.

A hot drink.
Change one letter.

_____ 9

_____ 8

_____ 7

_____ 6

_____ 5

_____ 4

_____ 3

_____ 2

_____ 1

s e e

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

A place to shop.
Change one letter.

A tiny hole in your skin through which you sweat.
Change one letter.

A part of your foot.
Change one letter.

Opposite of *bottom*.
Take away one letter.

Food for pigs is sometimes called _____.
Change one letter.

A plant cell that develops into a new plant. Rhymes with *more*.
Add one letter.

If you ripped something, you ____ it.
Add one letter.

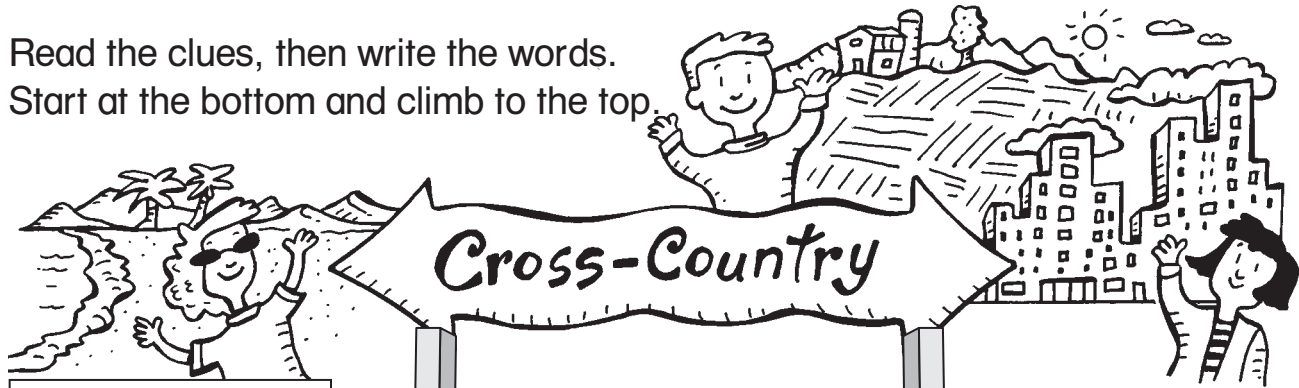
Something to play with.
Change one letter.

To halt.
Change one letter.

shop

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Where the sun sets.
Add one letter.

11

Not dry.
Change one letter.

10

An animal you keep
in your home.
Change one letter.

9

Short for *Patricia*.
Change one letter.

8

A rodent that looks
like a large mouse.
**Take away one
letter.**

7

To judge or grade
something.
Change one letter.

6

Opposite of *early*.
Rearrange letters.

5

A story.
**Take away
one letter.**

4

Not fresh.
Rearrange letters.

3

The fewest or lowest.
Change one letter.

2

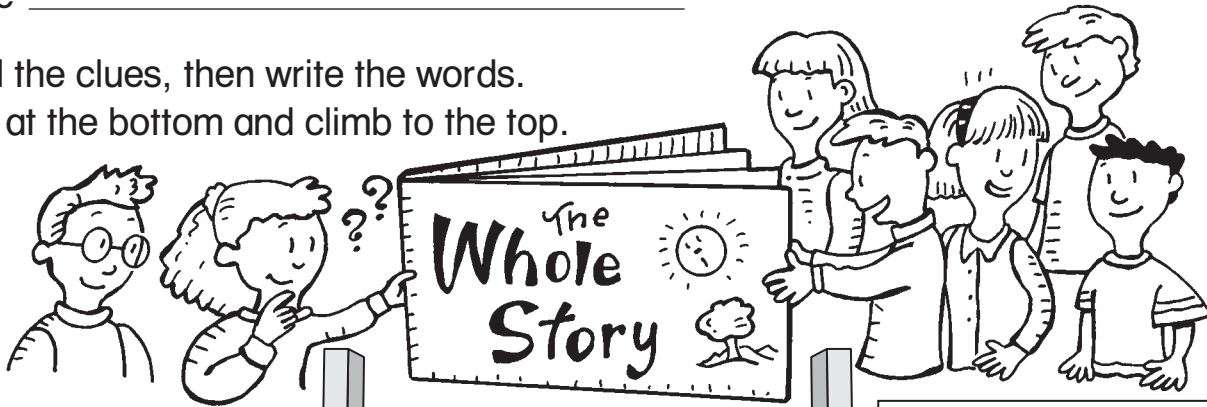
Beauty and the ____.
Add one letter.

1

e q s t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



To repair or fix something.
Add one letter.

A person who is a male.
Change one letter.

A long, pointed tooth.
Change one letter.

A piece of jewelry.
Take away one letter.

I love ___ the oldest in my family.
Rearrange letters.

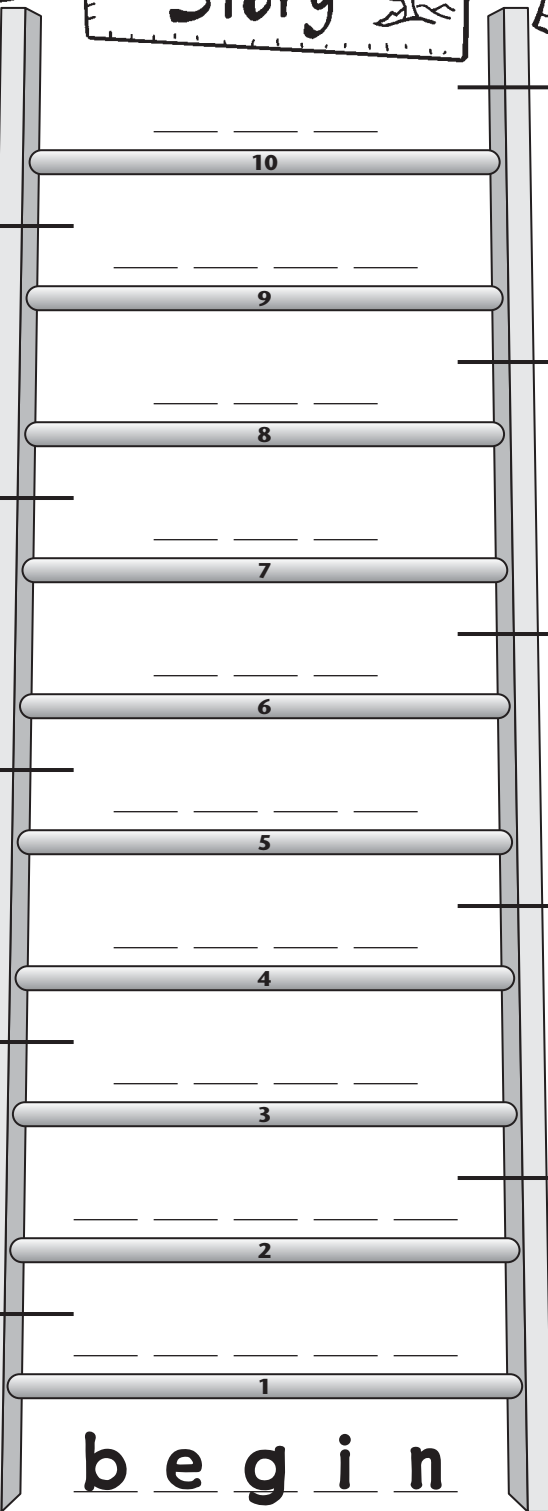
Means the opposite of the first word in this puzzle.
Take away one letter.

More than one man.
Change one letter.

This moves air.
Take away one letter.

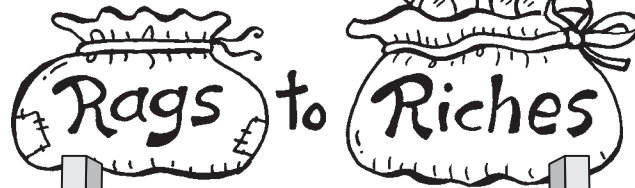
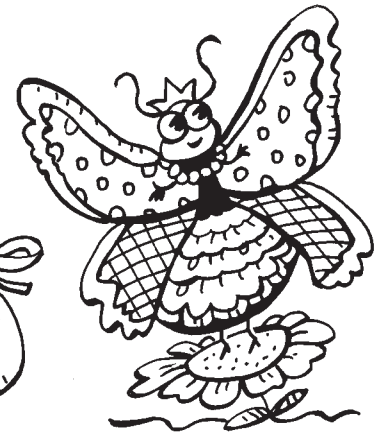
What the phone did.
Change one letter.

To take something to someone.
Change one letter.



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Very bad.
Change one letter.

11

Something you swim in.
Rearrange letters.

10

 A game played with horses and riders.
Rearrange letters.

9

What you must make with string to tie a bow.
Change one letter.

8

To see.
Change one letter.


7

You can open and shut this with a key.
Change one letter.

6

Worn on the foot.
Take away one letter.

5

 If a store ____s something, it sells it. Rhymes with *lock*.
Change one letter.

4

A branch or twig from a tree or bush.
Add one letter.

3

Ill.
Change one letter.

2

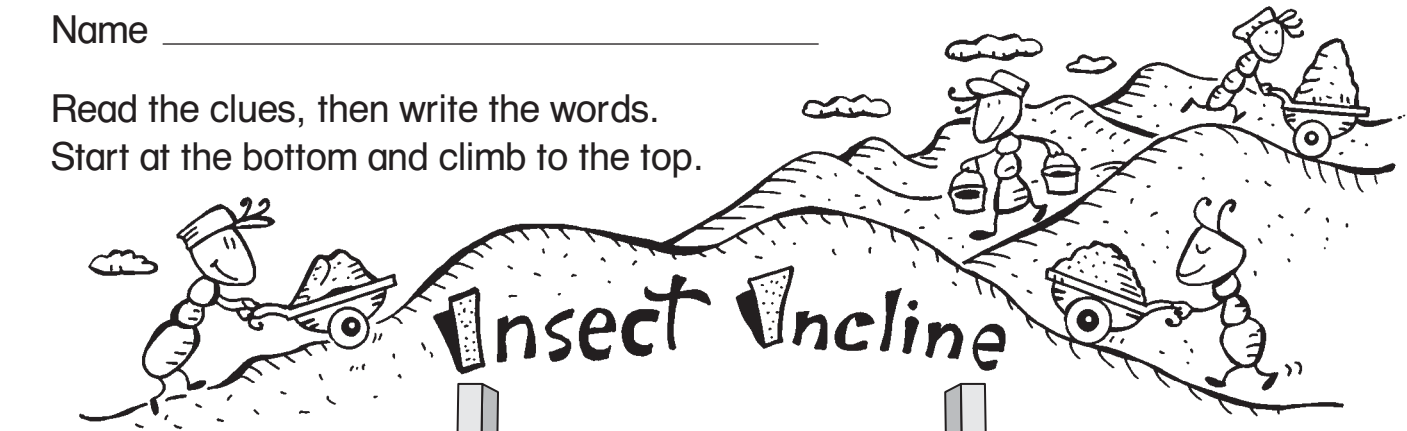
A boy's name.
Change one letter.

1

r i c h

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Coldness.
Change two letters.



A mischievous child.
Take away one letter.

A swelling or a bump.
Change one letter.



A fool that holds
or presses two
parts together.
Change one letter.

A song or phrase
repeated over
and over.
Add two letters.

What ants make when
they build their homes.
Take away one letter.

Short for *chimpanzee*.
Add two letters.

To walk slowly,
favoring one leg.
Change one letter.

This lights up when
we turn it on.
**Take away one
letter.**

Short for *champion*.
Change two letters.

10 _____

9 _____

8 _____

7 _____

6 _____

5 _____

4 _____

3 _____

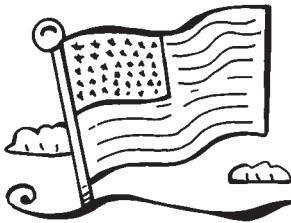
2 _____

1 _____

q n t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



In the Service



Not the army, air force,
or marines, but the ____.
Change one letter.

To move your hand
back and forth to say
hello or good-bye.
Change one letter.

To tend to or have
affection for.
Add one letter.

A vehicle for
carrying things.
Take away one letter.

A piece of jewelry
that may dangle from
a bracelet.
Add one letter.

Attached to
your shoulder.
**Take away
one letter.**

_____ 11 _____
_____ 10 _____
_____ 9 _____
_____ 8 _____
_____ 7 _____
_____ 6 _____
_____ 5 _____
_____ 4 _____
_____ 3 _____
_____ 2 _____
_____ 1 _____

a r m y

Hair that is not
straight might be ____.
Change one letter.

A hole in the side of
a hill or cliff.
Change one letter.

Automobile.
**Take away one
letter.**

An illustration that
gives information.
Change one letter.

Injury or hurt.
Add one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Tidying Up



A family group.
Add one letter.

A vessel used for cooking and frying food.
Take away one letter.

A liquid that you use to color things.
Add one letter.

A piece of something.
Change one letter.

Soil.
Take away one letter.

Not dirty.
Add one letter.

A container used to hold things, as in "throw it in the trash ____."
Change one letter.

Hurt.
Take away one letter.

To breathe heavily.
Change one letter.

A small spear you throw in a game.
Change one letter.

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

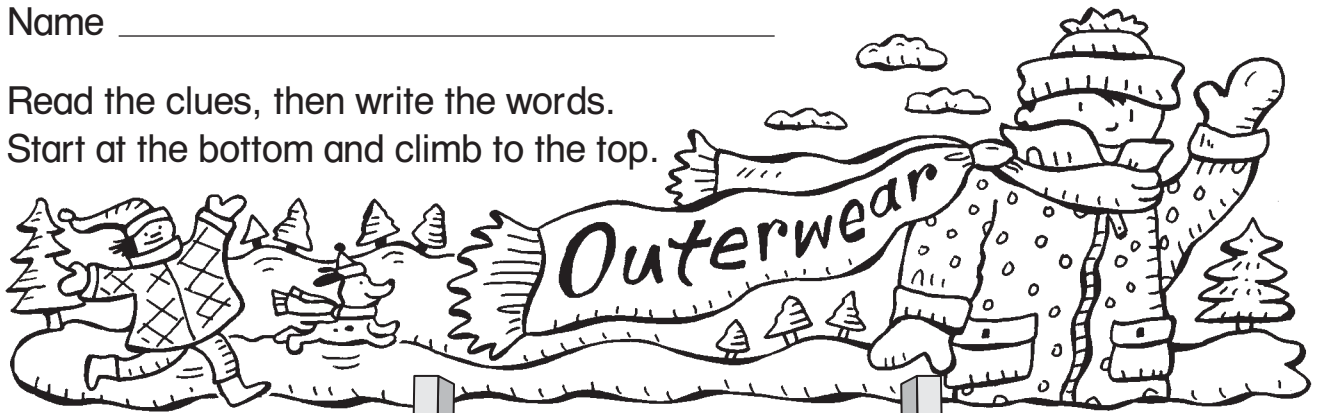
2

1

d i r t y

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



A ladder with 10 rungs, numbered 1 to 10 from bottom to top. Each rung has a blank space for writing a word. Clues are provided in boxes on either side of the ladder, connected to the rungs by lines. The word 'jacket' is written at the bottom of the ladder.

10 _____
9 _____
8 _____
7 _____
6 _____
5 _____
4 _____
3 _____
2 _____
1 _____

j a c k e t

Clues:

- 10: A heavy jacket. **Change one letter.**
- 9: A young horse. **Change one letter.**
- 8: A common sickness. **Change one letter.**
- 7: To carry or keep something. **Change one letter.**
- 6: An opening in something. **Change one letter.**
- 5: At the northernmost point of Earth, you'll find the North _____. **Change one letter.**
- 4: To jab or hit. **Change one letter.**
- 3: A funny story. **Change one letter.**
- 2: Short for *jockey*. **Change one letter.**
- 1: When you change a flat tire, you need a _____. **Take away two letters.**



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

Brass Band



Musical instrument.
Change one letter.

11

You eat this on or
off the cob.
Change one letter.

10

A long, flexible rope.
Change one letter.

9

Opposite of *hot*.
Change one letter.

8

A young horse.
Change one letter.

7

A streak of lightning is
also called a "____."
Change one letter.

6

You wear this around
your waist.
Change one letter.

5

Twisted or dented.
Change one letter.

4



Confined or shut in,
as in "____ up."
Rhymes with *rent*.
Change one letter.

3



An animal skin.
Add one letter.

2

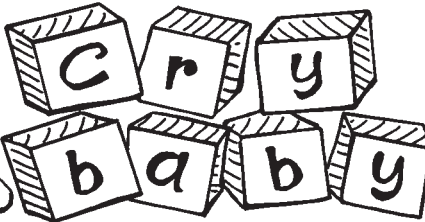
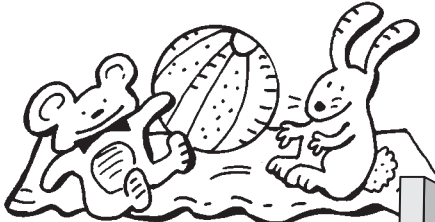
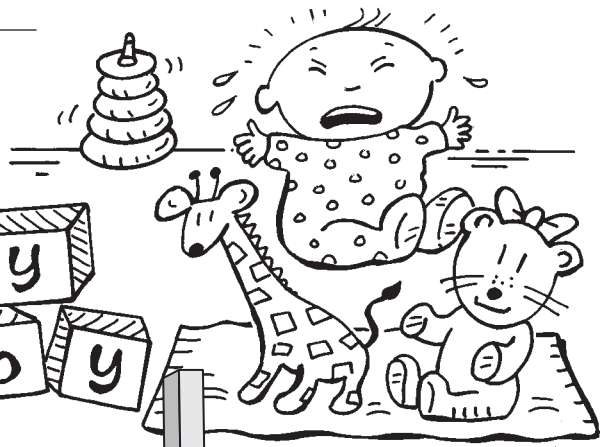
A tame animal.
**Take away four
letters.**

1

t r u m p e t

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



The noise made by a baby.
Change one letter.

A large serving dish.
Change one letter.



To walk with a heavy step. Rhymes with *lamp*.
Change one letter.

To stuff too many things into one place.
Add one letter.

Meat from pigs.
Change one letter.

Water almost completely surrounded by land.
Take away one letter.

11

10

9

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

b a b y

To attempt.
Take away one letter.

A device for catching things.
Take away one letter.

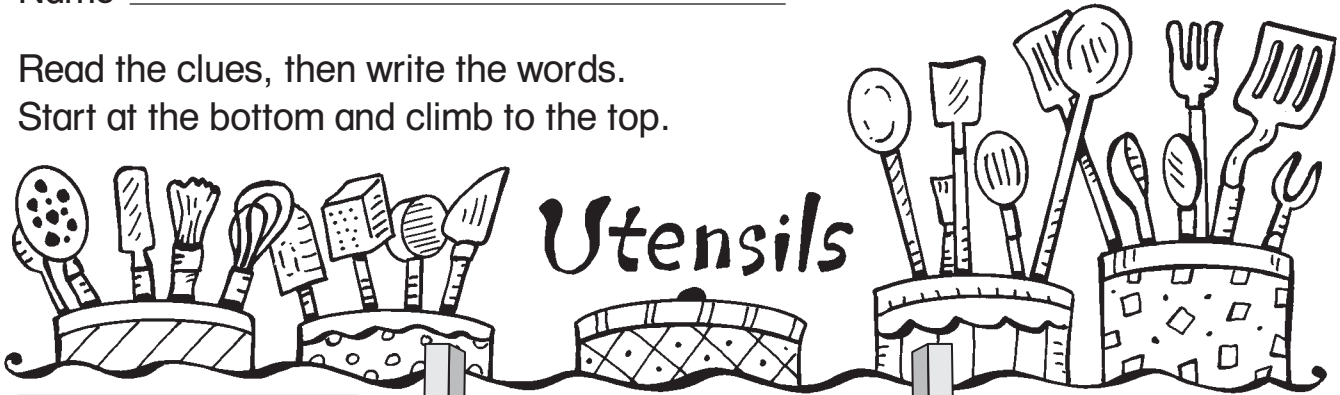
A painful contraction of muscles.
Add one letter.

A male sheep.
Change one letter.

Cut and dried grass for animals.
Change one letter.

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



An eating utensil.
Change one letter.

_____ 11

Meat from a pig.
Change one letter.

_____ 10

Where there are trees
and grass in a city.
Change one letter.

_____ 9

To put into a box
or bag.
Change one letter.

_____ 8

You use this to put a
paper up on a bulletin
board.
Change one letter.

_____ 7

To speak.
Change one letter.

_____ 6

Not short.
Change one letter.

_____ 5

A piece of equipment
you need to do a
particular job.
**Take away one
letter.**

_____ 4

A fee you must pay,
as on some bridges.
Change one letter.

_____ 3

A little chair without
arms or back.
Change one letter.

_____ 2

What thread is
wound on.
Change one letter.

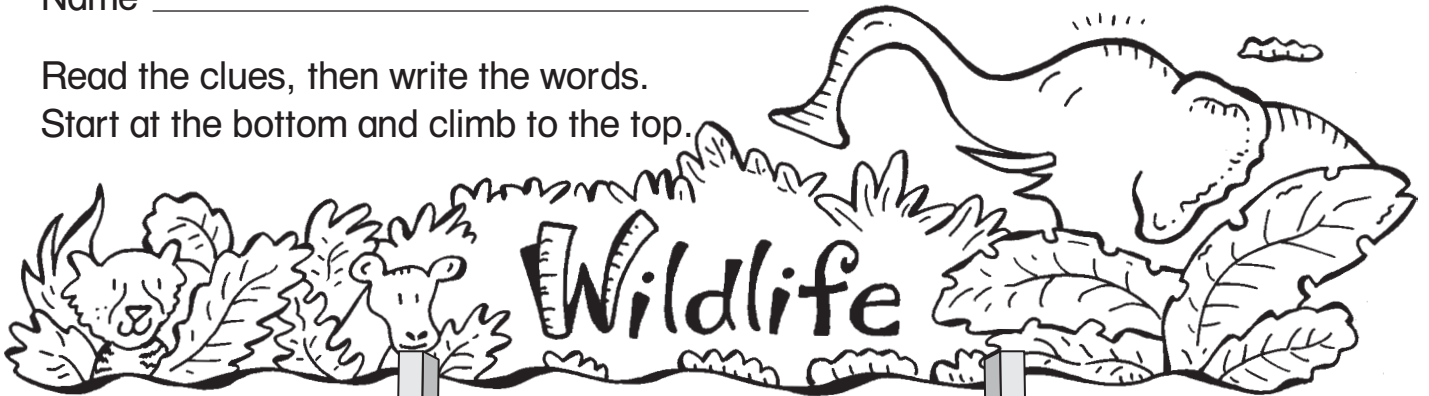
_____ 1

s p o o n



Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.




The end.
Add three letters.

A creature that swims.
Take away two letters.

A fish uses this to move in the water.
Take away one letter.

To locate something.
Change one letter.


The rough outer layer of some foods.
Change one letter.

Nice or gentle.
Change one letter.

Another word for brain.
Change one letter.

To tie something up. If you ___ a book, you fasten its pages together and put a cover on it.
Change one letter.

8

7

6

5

4

3

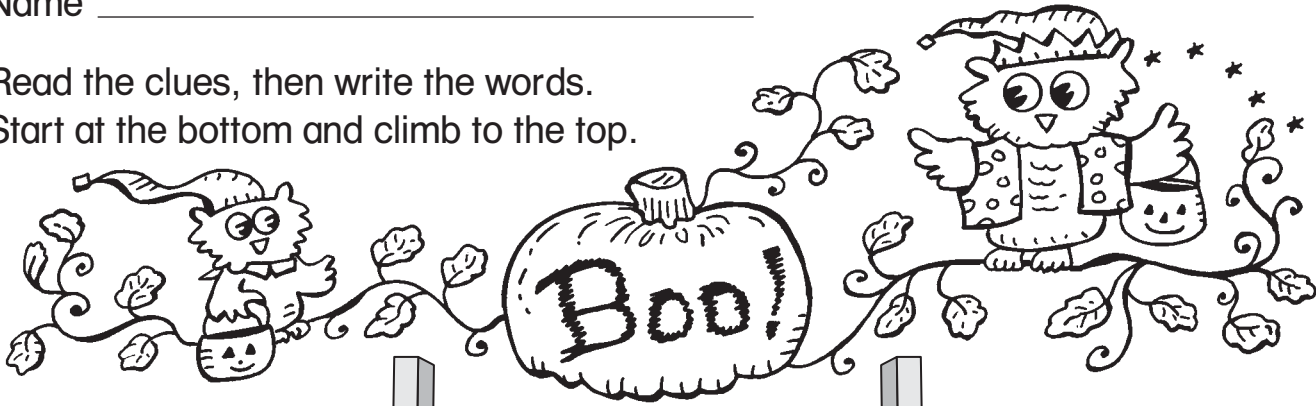
2

1

b i r d

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Along with *trick*, this is often said at Halloween.

Change one letter.

Wonderful or marvelous.

Rearrange the last three letters.

Something you do to cheese.

Change one letter.

An elegant way of moving. Also, a girl's name.

Change one letter.

To copy a picture, you might ____ it.

Add one letter.

A contest to reach a goal first.

Change one letter.

A framework for holding or hanging things, like a coat ____.

Take away one letter.

To break or split.

Change one letter.

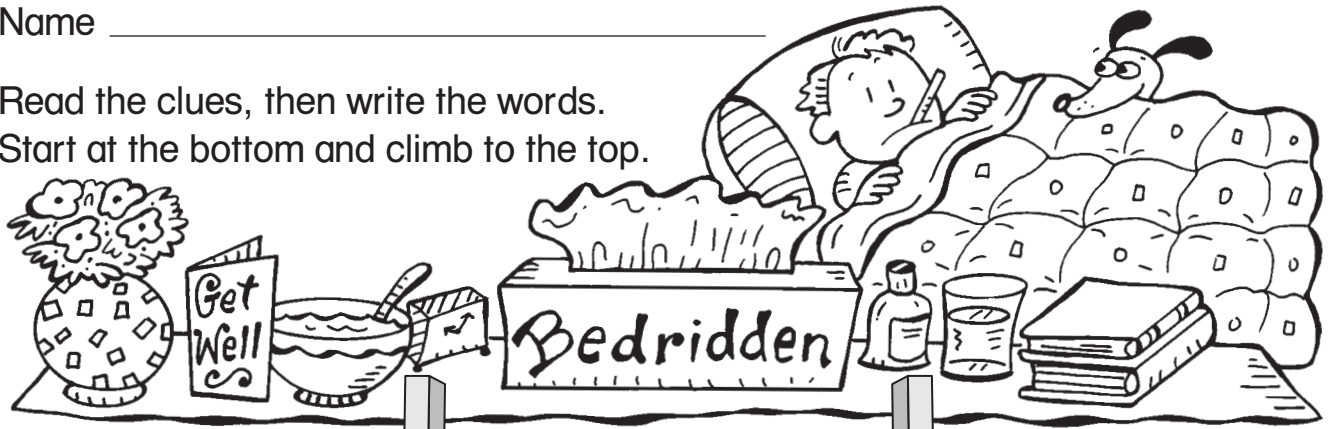
What trains ride on.

Change one letter.

t r i c k

Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.



Sick.
Take away one letter.

9



A place where grain is ground into flour.
Change one letter.

8

Comes from cows.
Change one letter.

7



A small animal that looks like a weasel.
Add one letter.

6

This is inside your pen.
Take away two letters.

5

To smell bad.
Add one letter.

4

Holds water in a bathroom or kitchen.
Change one letter.

3

Went to the bottom.
Change one letter.

2

A bag.
Change one letter.

1

s i c k

Name _____

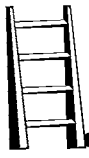
Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

A word ladder diagram consisting of two vertical rungs and five horizontal rungs. The rungs are numbered 1 through 5 from bottom to top. Each rung is connected to a rectangular box for writing a word. A large empty box is at the top of the page.

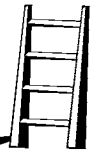
Name _____

Read the clues, then write the words.
Start at the bottom and climb to the top.

A word ladder diagram consisting of two vertical rungs and nine horizontal rungs. The rungs are numbered 1 through 9 from bottom to top. Each rung is connected to a blank rectangular box for a clue. A large empty rectangular box is positioned at the top of the page, above the ladder.



Answer Key



Counting Up, page 7

few, new, now, mow, meow, men, hen, ten, tan, man, many

Home, Sweet Home, page 8

wigwam, wig, wag, sag, Sam, same, some, home

In the Doghouse, page 9

dog, dot, Don, nod, cod, code, coke, cone, bone

Shrinking Sizes, page 10

little, lit, it, ill, mill, mall, small

All Wet, page 11

wet, we, well, bell, belt, bet, bat, bad, Brad, bran, ran, rain

Go, Team!, page 12

team, meat, tame, take, tale, tall, toll, ton, torn, worn, work

Sweet Seasons, page 13

spring, string, sting, sing, sling, slim, slime, slimmer, simmer, summer

Art Smart, page 14

art, cart, car, cat, scat, sat, saw, raw, straw, draw

Sleepytime, page 15

sleep, seep, sheep, peep, peel, pail, pal, lap, clap, slap, sap, nap

More or Less, page 16

most, mast, mask, cask, cast, coast, cost, lost, last, least

Barbershop, page 17

hair, chair, char, chart, charm, harm, arm, ram, rat, rut, cut

Inside Out, page 18

door, floor, flop, lop, lip, lit, wit, win, wind, window

Weighty Matters, page 19

pint, paint, pant, chant, chart, cart, tart, part, art, quart

Restful Vacation, page 20

hotel, hot, hat, hate, haste, host, shot, shoot, sheet, sleep

Gardening, page 21

flower, flow, slow, show, shower, shopper, shop, stop, top, pot

Birdsong, page 22

bird, bid, bed, shed, sled, slid, ship, hip, chip, chirp

Shady Glade, page 23

shade, shape, shame, same, Sam, sap, sip, seep, see, tee, tree

School Days, page 24

school, cool, coal, coat, cat, can't, cent, gent, dent, student

Transportation, page 25

boat, float, moat, mat, pat, pan, plan, plank, plant, plane

Good Cooking, page 26

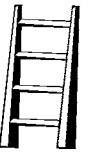
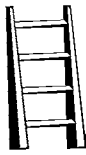
fried, freed, feed, fed, bed, bad, bar, bark, barn, bare, baked

America's Pastime, page 27

base, bass, mass, miss, mist, mast, melt, mall, small, ball

Sweet Treats, page 28

candy, can, cat, sat, Sam, seem, seam, seat, sweat, sweet

**Finish Line, page 29**

start, tart, cart, cast, cash, wash, wish, dish,
fish, finish

Fireworks, page 30

fire, tire, tile, pile, pill, hill, hall, hand,
handle, candle

Opposites Attract, page 31

black, block, clock, lock, look, loot, lot,
hot, hit, white

Seasoning Selection, page 32

salt, sat, hat, hot, shot, shop, hop, pop,
popper, pepper

Displays of Affection, page 33

hug, hog, hoe, shoe, show, slow, low, lot,
lit, kit, kite, kiss

Neigh-bors, page 34

horse, hoe, hop, hope, cope, cone, bone,
bond, pond, pony

Giving and Receiving, page 35

present, sent, gent, bent, belt, bet, bit, lit,
lift, gift

Getting There, page 36

walk, talk, stalk, stall, tall, tell, ten, tent,
rent, runt, run

Splish Splash, page 37

swim, swam, swan, wand, wind, win, wind,
wild, wood, wool, pool

Fancy Footwear, page 38

shoe, shop, shot, shock, sock, dock, dot,
hot, hoot, boot

Shopping Spree, page 39

shop, ship, hip, hill, hall, shall, small, mall

Sweet Things, page 40

candy, sandy, sand, hand, hang, sang, sad,
sat, swat, sweat, sweet

Woodsman, page 41

chop, shop, slop, loop, coop, hoop, hood,
food, wood

Thar She Blows!, page 42

whale, while, whole, hole, home, some,
sole, sold, sod, pod

Holiday Candy, page 43

candy, Andy, and, sand, band, brand, bran,
brain, rain, main, mane, cane

Car Trip, page 44

car, care, dare, date, late, slate, state, ate,
gate, gape, gap, gas

Friendship, page 45

friend, end, trend, tend, send, sand, band,
bad, pad, pal

Great Grapes, page 46

grape, grope, rope, rose, raise, raisin

Busy Bees, page 47

bee, bet, bat, bit, hit, fit, fin, fine, file, fire,
five, hive

Ship Ahoy, page 48

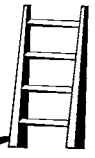
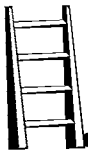
ship, shop, stop, step, steep, sleep, sheep,
sheet, sleet, fleet

Score!, page 49

home, Rome, more, mare, rare, rate, rat,
rut, run

Personality Change, page 50

nice, mice, mine, mint, pint, pinto, into,
ton, ten, men, mean



Ride 'Em, page 51

horse, worse, worm, warm, war, par, park, perk, pork, pony

Love Life, page 52

love, dove, dome, home, hole, mole, mule, mile, Mike, like

Underfoot, page 53

rug, bug, bag, rag, rat, tar, star, scar, car, carp, carpet

Bare Feet, page 54

shoe, show, shot, hot, hat, at, ant, and, sand, sandal

Color Change, page 55

blue, clue, club, cub, rub, rug, rig, rip, rim, rid, red

Deep Freeze, page 56

ice, nice, twice, lice, slice, slick, lick, luck, suck, sub, cub, cube

In the Kitchen, page 57

pots, spot, pot, pet, pets, step, stop, top, tap, apt, Pat, pans

Giving Thanks, page 58

thanks, think, thin, then, hen, Ben, bent, lent, lint, live, living, giving

On the Range, page 59

cow, bow, bowl, blow, flow, fowl, owl, low, tow, toy, boy

Vehicles, page 60

truck, tuck, tack, stack, stuck, stick, stir, star, tar, tart, cart, car

Hungry!, page 61

lunch, bunch, bunk, bank, ban, bun, bin, din, dinner

Opposites Attract #2, page 62

black, lack, lick, chick, chin, win, wine, fine, fin, fit, hit, white

Nap Time, page 63

nap, pan, pantry, try, tree, tee, tea, sea, see, seep, sleep

City Living, page 64

city, pity, pie, tie, toe, Tom, tot, tow, town

Air Travel, page 65

air, pair, pain, Spain, span, pan, pant, plant, plan, plane

Snack Food, page 66

chocolate, late, plate, plane, plan, plant, chant, champ, chimp, chip

A Matter of Size, page 67

large, late, lame, lime, slime, smile, mile, male, mall, small

Catnip, page 68

cat, scat, spat, sat, rat, hat, hot, home, hose, house, mouse

Showers and Flowers, page 69

April, lip, slip, sip, ship, shop, hop, mop, map, May

Coffee Break, page 70

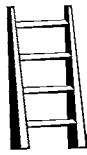
coffee, fee, feet, sheet, sleet, sleep, sheep, steep, tee, tea

Simon Says, page 71

stand, sand, sad, said, paid, maid, mad, bad, bid, bit, sit

Wet and Wetter, page 72

damp, ramp, cramp, tramp, trap, part, wart, want, went, wet

**After Dinner, page 73**

dessert, desert, resort, sort, sore, rose,
Rome, rope, ripe, pie

Bookworm, page 74

book, boom, room, rum, hum, him, rim,
rid, red, read

Daily Journey, page 75

home, come, some, Rome, more, sore, core,
cord, cool, school

Top to Bottom, page 76

arm, ram, ham, hat, cat, scat, scab, cab, lab,
lag, leg

Finders Keepers, page 77

find, fine, fire, fore, or, more, Rome, some,
sore, rose, lose

Tolling Time, page 78

bell, ball, bull, full, fall, fill, fig, rig, ring

Some Like It Sweet, page 79

sweet, tweet, wee, we, wet, set, pet, put,
out, our, sour

Feelings, page 80

happy, pappy, sappy, sap, tap, tip, lip, lid,
lad, sad

Bright Light, page 81

light, lit, fit, fist, mist, mitt, mutt, butt,
bull, bulb

Play Ball!, page 82

ball, bell, belt, bet, get, gem, hem, ham,
Sam, same, game

Good, Clean Fun, page 83

clean, lean, bean, beat, bet, bat, cat, cart,
dart, dirt, dirty

Gently Down the Stream, page 84

row, throw, crow, crowd, cow, cod, cot,
coat, float, boat

Better and Better, page 85

good, hood, hid, hit, wit, wet, wetter,
better, bet, best

Winter Weather, page 86

cold, bold, fold, mold, old, sold, sole, lose,
nose, now, snow

Brrrrr!, page 87

frost, lost, most, mist, list, lit, bit, kit, kite,
bite

Baby Animals, page 88

bear, bar, bare, care, car, scar, star, tar, tab,
tub, cub

Fizzy Drinks, page 89

pop, pep, pet, pit, spit, sit, Sid, sad, sod,
soda

Animal Enemies, page 90

dog, fog, fig, fit, sit, sat, spat, splat, pat, cat

Five Senses, page 91

see, sea, tea, team, steam, steal, stealth,
health, heal, hear

Shop 'til You Drop, page 92

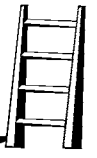
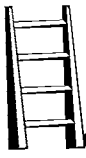
shop, slop, stop, top, toy, toe, tore, pore,
spore, store

Cross-Country, page 93

east, beast, least, stale, tale, late, rate, rat,
pat, pet, wet, west

The Whole Story, page 94

begin, being, bring, ring, rang, fang, fan,
man, men, mend, end



Rags to Riches, page 95

rich, Rick, sick, stick, stock, sock, lock,
look, loop, polo, pool, poor

Insect Incline, page 96

ant, chant, champ, clamp, lamp, lump,
limp, imp, chimp, chill, hill

In the Service, page 97

army, arm, harm, charm, chart, cart, car,
care, cave, wave, wavy, navy

Tidying Up, page 98

dirty, dirt, dart, part, pant, paint, pain, pan,
can, clan, clean

Outerwear, page 99

jacket, jack, jock, joke, poke, pole, hole,
hold, cold, colt, coat

Brass Band, page 100

trumpet, pet, pelt, pent, bent, belt, bolt,
colt, cold, cord, corn, horn

Crybaby, page 101

baby, bay, hay, ham, ram, cram, cramp,
tramp, trap, tray, try, cry

Utensils, page 102

spoon, spool, stool, tool, toll, tall, talk,
tack, pack, park, pork, fork

Wildlife, page 103

bird, bind, mind, kind, rind, find, fin,
finish, fish

Boo!, page 104

trick, track, crack, rack, race, trace, grace,
grate, great, treat

Bedridden, page 105

sick, sack, sank, sink, stink, ink, mink,
milk, mill, ill

