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## ELA BUZZ

Add the correct suffix from the box to the base word to complete each sentence.

er    ist    ly    y

Olive spoke to witnesses while her

\_\_\_\_\_ dusted for fingerprints.  
(help)

The \_\_\_\_\_ crime writer didn't  
(laze)  
do his research.

**There are countless rules police investigations must follow but most movies ignore them to make things more exciting.**

Check the box that describes the error in the sentence.

- subject/verb disagreement
- incorrect tenses for the situation
- compound sentence missing a comma
- incorrect homophone spelling



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Underline the subject of the sentence. Fill in the blank with the correct reflexive pronoun.

Zev and Paola bought \_\_\_\_\_ a science kit  
so they could pretend to be police investigators.

When a condition is likely to happen or is being spoken about like it will definitely happen, use the following tense structure: **If [simple present], then [simple future].**

Complete the sentence with the correct tense of the verbs.

If Dakota \_\_\_\_\_ to watch a crime show, her parents \_\_\_\_\_  
(want) (watch)  
it first to make sure it's appropriate.

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Draw lines to match each sentence with the mood it conveys.

- Greenland sharks might live up to 500 years? •
  - Greenland sharks might live up to 500 years. •
  - Greenland sharks might live up to 500 years! •
- amazement
  - disbelief
  - objectivity

Use the correctly spelled word to complete the sentence.

**capable    capabel    capabull**

With proper care, many goldfish are

Verb tenses can be used to show specific states of being. Present perfect tense shows actions that began in the past and continue into the present or actions that ended in the past but have a direct impact on a present



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rates, \_\_\_\_\_ that's only one reason they live so long.

since the 1980s.

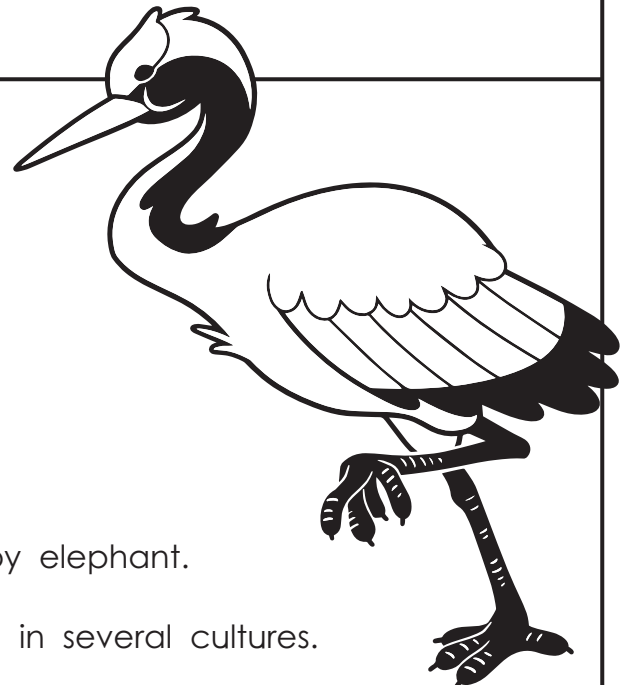
Circle the homograph in each sentence. Then write the number of the definition the sentence uses on the line.

- (1) a kind of tall wading bird
- (2) an armlike machine for lifting heavy things
- (3) to stretch toward

\_\_\_\_\_ They need to use a crane to transport whales.

\_\_\_\_\_ Daleyza had to crane her neck to see the baby elephant.

\_\_\_\_\_ The elegant crane symbolizes a long, happy life in several cultures.



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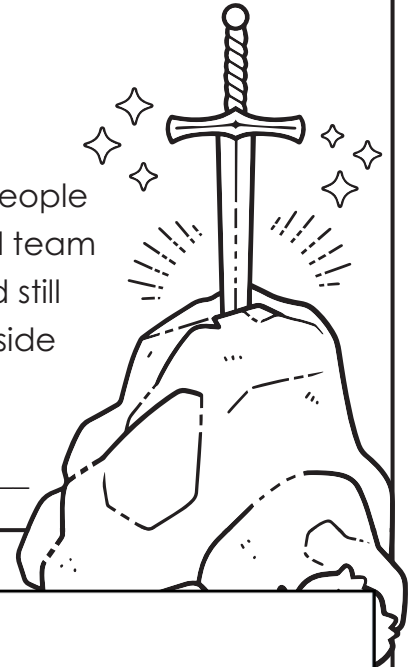
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Correctly spell each word.

Incorrect	Correct
werthy <i>(of value; honorable)</i>	
miths <i>(stories; folktales)</i>	
sware <i>(to make a promise)</i>	

Underline the idiom.  
Then tell what it means.

Working together, the people were stronger than a full team of horses—but the sword still wouldn't budge from inside the stone.



Complex sentences combine at least one independent and one



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Because he freed the sword from the stone, Arthur proved he was the true king.

kind of sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

Use the correct form of the verb to complete each sentence.

**swore      sworn**

All the Knights of the Round Table \_\_\_\_\_ oaths to act honorably.

The knights always showed mercy like they had \_\_\_\_\_ to.

Use the correct word to complete each sentence.

**they're    their    there**

In some stories, \_\_\_\_\_ are two swords named Excalibur.

\_\_\_\_\_ wielder is the legendary King Arthur.

\_\_\_\_\_ often thought to be enchanted.

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If a dialogue tag is used in the middle of a quotation that is one continuous sentence, end the tag with a comma. If the quotation is two complete sentences or interjections, end the tag with a period and make sure to begin the second part of the quotation with a capital letter.

Check the box next to the correctly formatted speech.

- "Mercury is a cool metal," Kobe said, "it's liquid at room temperature."
- "Most solids," Ms. Gomez explained. "Turn to liquid before becoming gases."
- "Liquids freeze at different temperatures," Jayda said. "Isn't that neat?"



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Then explain your choice.

**in fact    above all    even though**

\_\_\_\_\_ most classes only teach three states of matter, most matter in the universe is actually a fourth state: plasma!

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

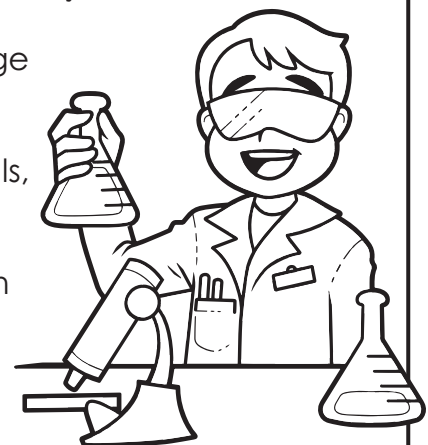
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Circle the comparative adjective.  
Underline the superlative adjective.

The greatest percentage of Earth's oxygen is found in solid chemicals, but there used to be a higher percentage in the air millions of years ago.



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"I never want to experience a summer without ice cream again," Amora declared.

"Neither do I," Marvin agreed.

Some day in the future, when everything that happened was a distant memory, Amora might look back and laugh. But not yet. Not when the pain of blisteringly hot days spent without tasty, soothing treats was so fresh.

Paige licked her raspberry swirl. "I never realized you had such a sweet tooth."

"It's not that," said Amora. "There's simply nothing better in the world than a cold cone on a hot day. Let's stock up in advance next year—just in case!"



What part of the story is this? **exposition** **climax** **resolution**



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Fill in the blanks using the correct order for the adjectives. Do not use commas.

Marvin covered his sundae with \_\_\_\_\_ syrup and Amora had a \_\_\_\_\_ cone.  
(red + delicious)  
(vanilla + towering)

Write the correct abbreviations to complete the sentence.

The beloved shop \_\_\_\_\_ Patty's Parlor, located at 225 Brynden \_\_\_\_\_, was closed for months.  
(missus)  
(boulevard)

Use the correctly spelled word to complete the sentence.

**shortedge**   **shortage**   **shortaje**

Have you ever experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ of your favorite treat?

Temperatures hadn't just been hot—they'd been absolutely **sweltering!**

Use context to give a definition for the bold word.  
\_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>er ist ly y</b></p> <p>Olive spoke to witnesses while her <u>helper</u> (help) dusted for fingerprints.</p> <p>The <u>lazy</u> (laze)</p>	<p>Check the box that describes the error in the sentence.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> subject/verb disagreement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> incorrect tenses for the situation</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> compound sentence missing a comma</p>	<p>Check the box next to the sentence with no spelling errors. Circle the two errors in the other sentences.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Theres</u> got to be <u>evidence</u> pointing to a suspect!</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The police are searching carefully for clues.</p>	<p>Underline the subject of the sentence. Fill in the blank with the correct reflexive pronoun.</p> <p><u>Zev and Paola</u> bought <u>themselves</u> a science kit so they could pretend to be police</p>	<p>Complete the sentence with the correct tense of the verbs.</p> <p>If Dakota <u>wants</u> (want) to watch a crime show, her parents <u>will watch</u> (watch)</p>
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<p>What part of the story is this? <b>exposition climax resolution</b></p> <p>Circle the figurative language Amora uses. Then tell why you think she uses it.</p> <p><b>simile hyperbole idiom</b></p> <p><u>Answers will vary.</u></p> <p>Which best describes the root of the story's conflict?</p> <p><b>a. a lack of ice cream</b></p>	<p>Fill in the blanks using the correct order for the adjectives. Do not use commas.</p> <p>Marvin covered his sundae with <u>delicious red</u> (red + delicious) syrup and Amora had a <u>towering vanilla</u> (vanilla + towering) cone.</p>	<p>Write the correct abbreviations to complete the sentence.</p> <p>The beloved shop <u>Mrs.</u> (missus) Patty's Parlor, located at 225 Brynden <u>Blvd.</u> (boulevard), was closed for months.</p>	<p>Use the correctly spelled word to complete the sentence.</p> <p><b>shortedge shortage shortaje</b></p> <p>Have you ever experienced a <u>shortage</u> of your favorite treat?</p>	<p>Temperatures hadn't just been hot—they'd been absolutely <b>sweltering!</b></p> <p>Use context to give a definition for the bold word.</p> <p><u>very hot</u></p>
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