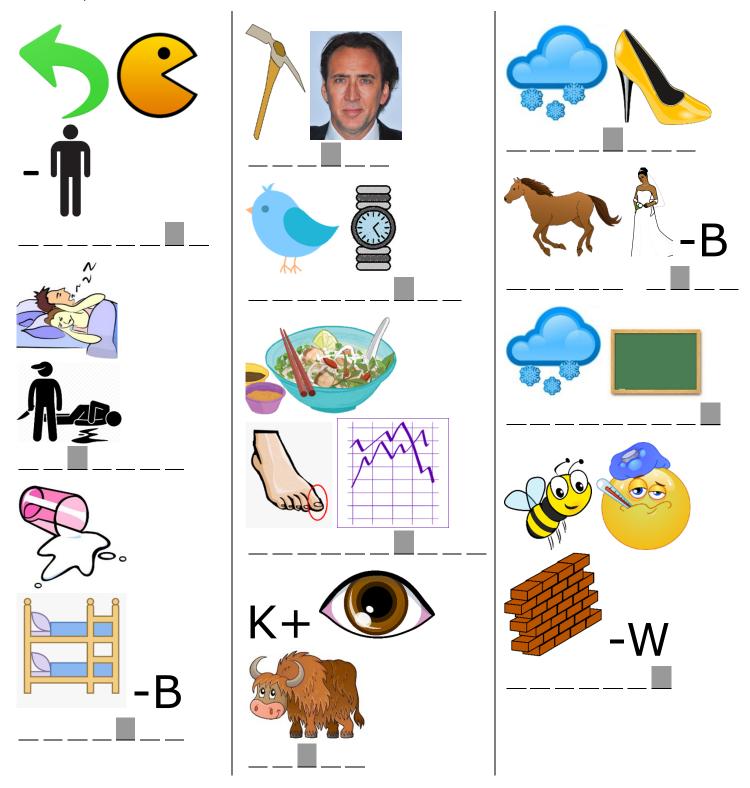
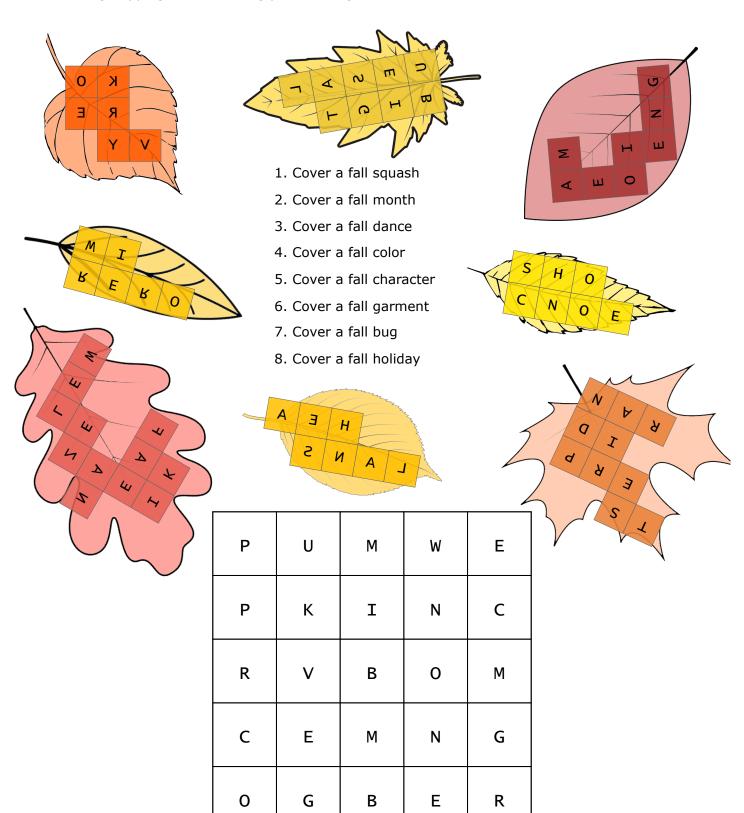
Active Lifestyle

We're visiting national parks from all over the world and have scheduled a wide range of activities. After all is done, what else will we have seen?



Autumn

The parks in Longview are gorgeous in autumn. One by one, the leaves come down, drifting gently in the wind, rotating, flipping, then covering part of the ground below.



Disney and the Great Outdoors

In my tour of Disney World, I saw so many familiar characters from nature. They were identified in coded text, and I guess the person who wrote their names was so lazy that they forgot exactly one letter for each word in each character's name....



EHSQ



KLSK



EQOZE HXF



XPCIAGP XL



PSQ



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Rushmore

Many recommendations have been made to add to Mount Rushmore. But the mountain remains today with just George, Tom, Ted, Abe, and Bill, pictured here...

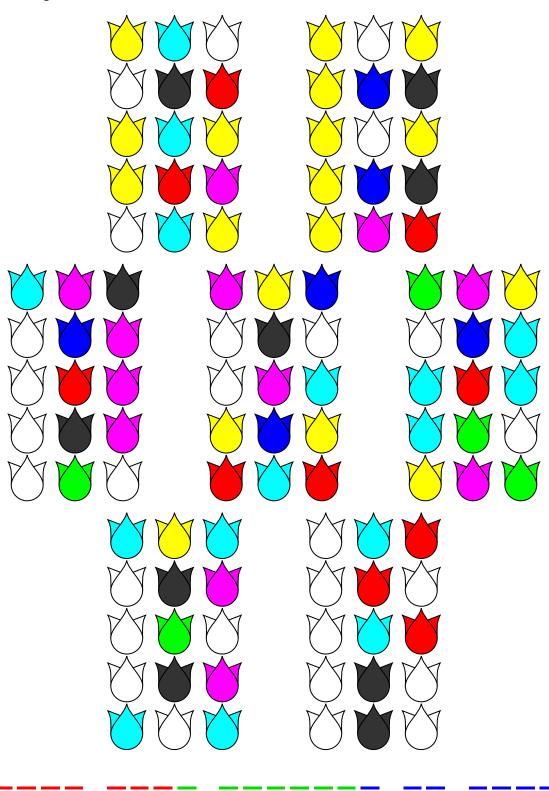


Travelling around the USA, we spotted eight other collections. And yet, something is amiss with each...

 Antelope Bryce Hells Waimea Yosemite 	 Chihuahuan Great Basin Mojave Oaxaca Sonoran 	 Bluegrass Evergreen Garden Magnolia Tulip
 AquaSox Kraken Reign Seawolves Sturgeon 	 Carolina Hampshire Jersey Mexico York 	
 Dover Frankfort Memphis Montpelier Pierre 	 Cochiti Grand Coulee Hoover Oroville Peach Bottom 	 Lopez Orcas San Juan Shaw Sidney

Spring

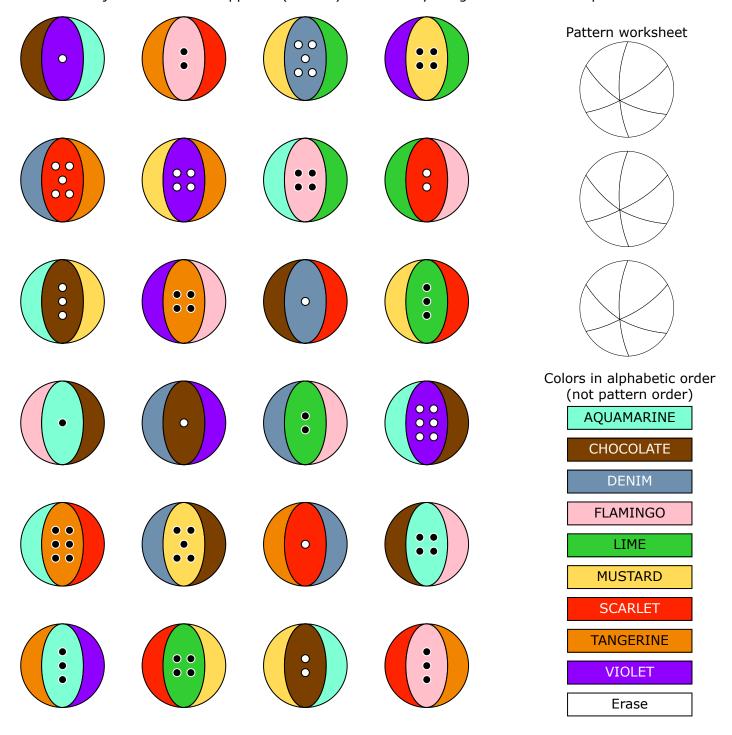
This spring's tulip festival in Mount Vernon featured tulips that were white, red, green, blue, cyan, magenta, yellow, and black. It made me wonder what they'd look like in a dark room under the different primary colors of light.



Summer

At Ocean Shores this summer, a local toy store had an odd beach ball display with this note:

"Each of these 24 beach balls has 1 out of 3 possible color patterns. Each pattern has 6 different colors drawn from a pool of 9 possible colors named below. Each color is used in 2 patterns and not the 3rd. There's no way to tell up from down on a beach ball, so the pattern used may go around the beach ball in either direction. Dots have been added to one slice of each of these beach balls, but the dots are only useful in conjunction with the opposite (unseen) slices. Can you figure out the secret password?"



Winter

The long and short of it: Leavenworth is particularly breathtaking in winter.



































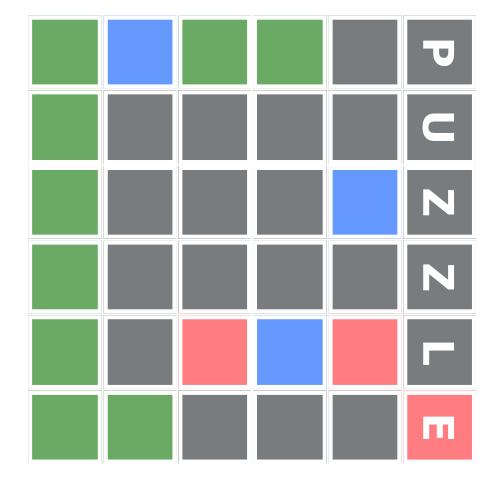


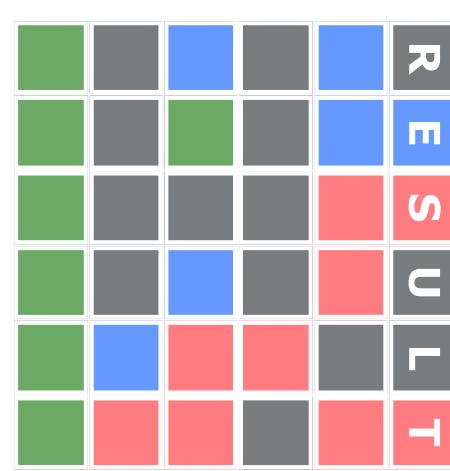




Annual Anthem

This is a metapuzzle. Find and solve the four related feeder puzzles. For each feeder puzzle, enter its name and result on the same row across both grids, filling rows 2-5. Then, use these entries to solve these two Wordle-inspired puzzles. Cells that would normally be colored yellow by classic Wordle rules have been split into two logical sub-groups colored blue and red. (When you have nothing left to fill, you'll be on the right track!) You may submit the 1st green answer, the 2nd green answer, or both together for additional hints.





Hint: this green answer is a word related to the 4 above it.

Hint: this green answer is not a word at all.