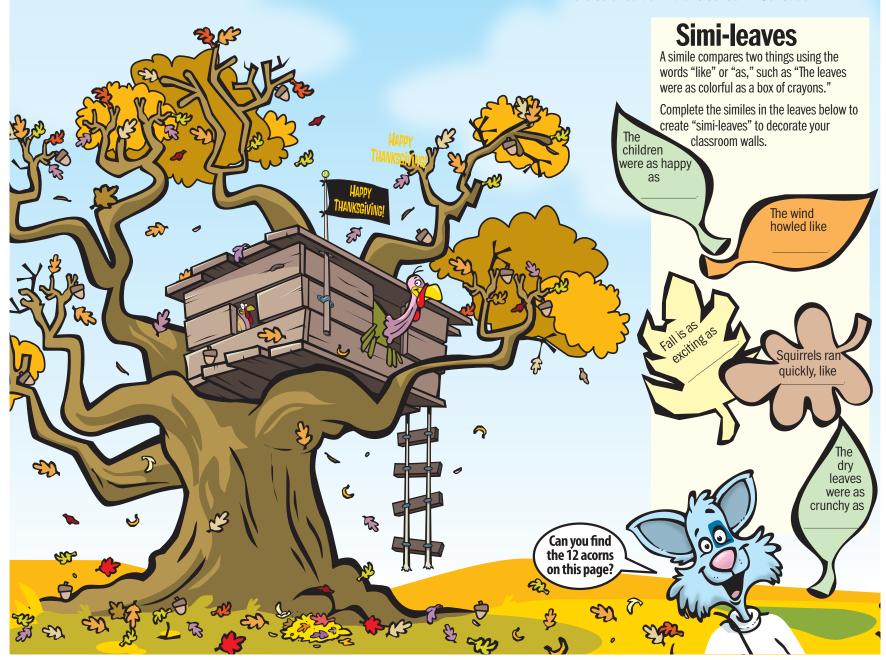


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## **FALL LEAVES**

Why do leaves change color in the fall? We'll explain the science behind this seasonal Sensation.



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## What is Veterans Day?

by I.M. Curious

Veterans Day, November 11, is a day to honor people who have served in the military during a war or in times of peace. To observe the day, thousands of veterans will march in parades in communities across America. You may have a veteran in your family. Ask your parents or grandparents which family members have served in the military during a war. Ask those relatives questions. Get facts about their lives and write a news story.

The parade shapes up

Find and count all the triangles, squares, circles and rectangles you can find in the kids' parade.



#### Super Stars

It's a tradition to display blue and gold stars in the homes of families of veterans. A blue star means the veteran in the family is living. A gold star means the veteran died.

efore 1954, Veterans Day was called Armistice Day. The first Armistice Day. November 11, 1918, marked the signing of the peace treaty that ended World War I. (An armistice is an agreement to stop fighting, and it's made just before the signing of a peace treaty.)

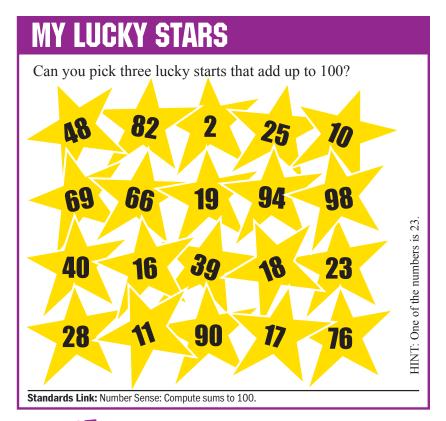
More soldiers had died in World War I than in any other war in history. An Australian journalist named George Honey started a practice that became a tradition. He asked people to observe two minutes of silence at 11a.m. as the treaty was signed, to remember the many fallen soldiers.

In 1954, President Eisenhower signed a law changing the name of Armistice Day to Veterans Day, thereby extending the tribute to veterans of all wars.

The **best** title for this story would be:

- ☐ Peace Treaties
- ☐ How Veterans Day Began
- ☐ All About President Eisenhower

Standards Link: History: Students understand the reasons Americans observe certain national holidays.



#### nouble search

**VETERANS PARADE REPORTER CURIOUS SILENT HONOR PEACE HISTORY WORLD FACTS CIRCLES LUCKY PICTURES GOLD** WHO

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally. Then find them again in the pages of this section of Connect123.

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#### **Simi-leaves**

A simile compares two things using the words "like" or "as," such as "The leaves were as colorful as a box of crayons."

Complete the similes in the leaves below to create simi-leaves."



#### **CHECK IT OUT**



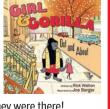
The City Library

This month the librarians at Salt Lake City Public Library have chosen books written by local authors.

"The Princess in Black and the Hungry Bunny Horde," by Shannon Hale; illustrated by LeUyen Pham. It's a case of monstrous cuteness as the Princess in Black encounters her biggest challenge yet: a field overrun by adorable bunnies.

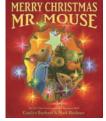


"Girl & Gorilla: Out and **About** by Rick Walton; illustrated by Joe Berger. Girl and Gorilla are best friends. Girl and Gorilla want to play at the park. But how will they get there? Maybe they can just close their eyes and wish they were there!



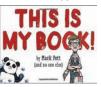
"Merry Christmas Mr. Mouse," by Caralyn Buehner and Mark Buehner. When Mr. Mouse and his family move into the warm spot beneath the kitchen stove in a big house, they discover something new and wonderful: an

evergreen tree decorated with lights.



"This Is My Book! by Mark Pett. What happens

when a writer learns that he doesn't quite have as much control over his book as he thinks? When Mark Pett's characters take over his book pandemonium ensues!

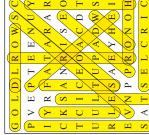


"The Boy Who Was Raised by Librarians,"

by Carla Morris. Readers will enjoy Brad Sneeds delightful illustrations that colorfully capture the fun-loving spirit of Carla Morriss story about the contagious enthusiasm of learning.







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#### My name:

# Thanksgiving together

ure, Thanksgiving is about Pilgrims and history — and turkey, of course! But the best part about Thanksgiving is getting together with family and friends and remembering all the things for which we are thankful.





## Make Thanksgiving dinner place cards

#### Stuff You'll Need:

- ☐ Manila file folders (one per person)
- newspaper
- scissors
- ☐ glue stick





1. Cut off the folded end of a file folder to make a strip about 3-4 inches deep. Make one for each person

coming to Thanksgiving dinner.

2. Cut out from the newspaper the letters that spell each person's name. Glue them onto one side of the place card.



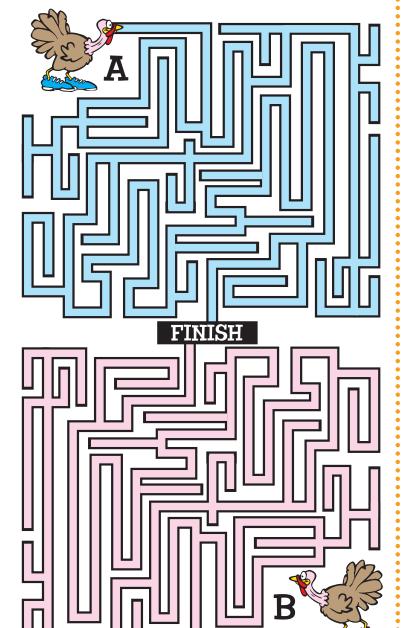
3. Decorate the place cards with pictures from the newspaper.



**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple, multiple-step written instructions.

## Turkey trails

Start at the beginning of Trail A. Have a family member or friend start at Trail B. Who can reach the finish line first?



## Thanksgiving is time to talk

When the family comes together for a Thanksgiving dinner, it offers a great time to share family history and stories. Pass out question cards to the kids and let them interview their elders. Here are some sample questions:

When you were my age what did you eat on Thanksgiving? What were your hobbies when you were a kid?

What are you most thankful for today?

Did you have any pets when you were a child?

What was your favorite story your grandparents told you?

What is your happiest Thanksgiving memory?

When you were my age what chores did you do around the house? Has our family Thanksgiving celebration changed through the years?

### Zany turkey day tale

Pass the giggles! Ask a family member to give you seven nouns, one plural noun, one verb and one adjective. Then, fill in the blanks and read the story aloud. Let the laughter begin!

One Thanksgiving, we invited a to the big feast. It was a huge mistake.

Our guest had horrible

\_\_\_\_\_ manners,
and enjoyed smearing \_\_\_\_\_
in people's hair. Our guest then
decided to \_\_\_\_\_
around Uncle Lou and cover Aunt

Later, our delicious  $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\text{NOUN}}$  pie ended up in our

ADJECTIVE NOUN

This year, we invited a

\_\_\_\_\_. Hopefully, our new recipe for \_\_\_\_\_ stuffing is a success!

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use nouns, adjectives and verbs in writing.

## Try this at home

Encourage reading at home with **Connect123** and this family involvement activity!

#### The gift of appreciation

Does it feel good when someone says, thank you? Now you can do that for someone else! Look through today's newspaper and find an article about someone helping others.

**Standards Link:** Writing Applications: Write letters that show awareness of audience and establish a purpose.

Who is the article about?
What did the person do that you appreciate?
When did the person do this?
Where did the person do this?
How did the person do this?
Why did the person do this?

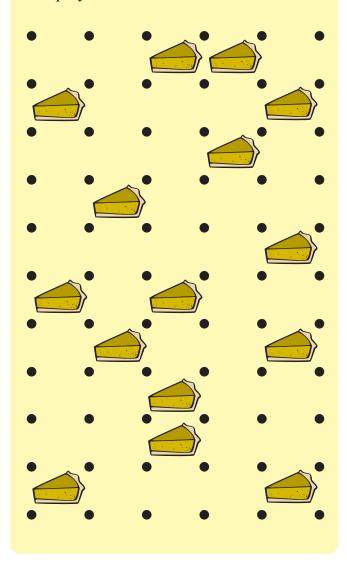


## Pilgrim pencils

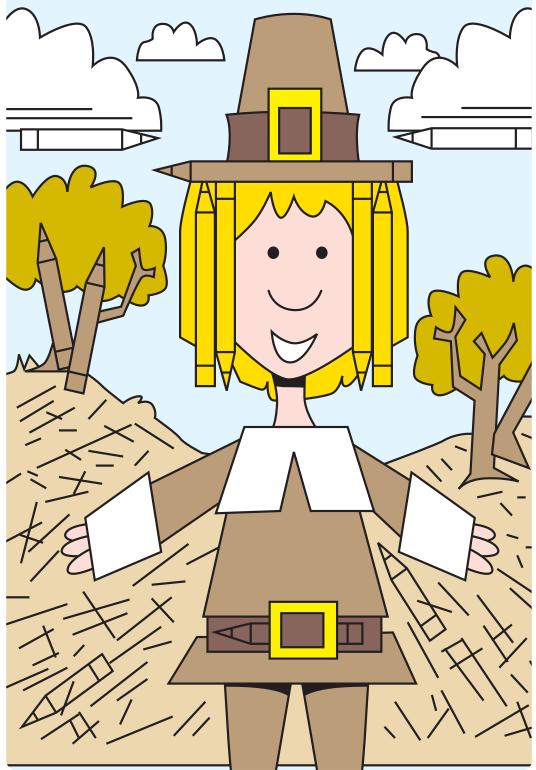
There are 12 pencils hidden in this picture. Each player has 60 seconds to find as many as they can. Score 1 POINT for each one found.

## Hey, Dot's MY Pie!

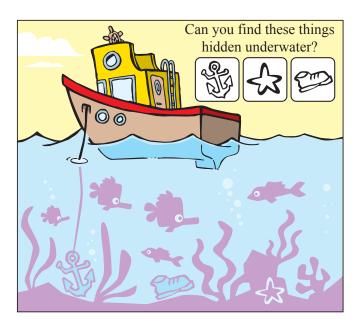
Get two crayons. Take turns drawing a horizontal or vertical line between two dots. The player who draws the line that completes each square gets 1 POINT. If there is pumpkin pie in that square, the player earns 3 BONUS POINTS.



Watch the Thanksgiving parade on TV, feast on turkey and tell everyone in your family how much you appreciate them.



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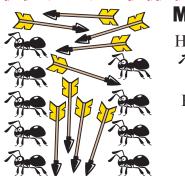




a is for anchor

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the sound the letter A makes in theword anchor

Learning buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have yourchild read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter A. Say the letter as you trace it.



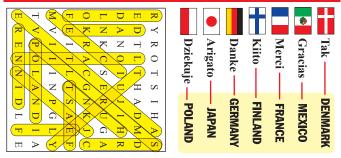
#### My numbers

How many

How many



Learning buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the



Your parents are always reminding you to say it. Now you can amaze them by saying **Thank you** in seven different languages! Match the **Thank you** to the country from which it comes.

Tak (takg)

**FRANCE Gracias** (gra-see-us)

Merci (mehr-see)

**JAPAN** 

**DENMARK** 

Danke (dahn-kah)

Kiitos (kee-toas)

**POLAND FINLAND** 

Arigato (ahree-gah-tow)

**MEXICO** 

**GERMANY Dziekuje** (dsyne-koo-yeh)

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#### Double double word search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally. Then find them again in this section of Connect123.

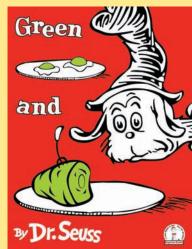
**TURKEY LOCATION PILGRIMS CARDS ADJECTIVE** 

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#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know Dr. Seuss wrote the famous Green Eggs and Ham on a dare? Ted Geisel, known as Dr. Seuss, was challenged to write a book using only 50



different words. In an effort to make learning to read exciting for kids, he wrote a silly tale about a picky eater and a character who wouldn't take "no" for an answer.

Dr. Seuss took many things from his everyday life and made them extraordinary. In fact, his unique animal drawing are said to have come from his frequent walks through the zoo with his father growing up. It is believed that these memories are the root of the imaginative children's book. If I Ran the Zoo, which was published in 1950. What seemingly ordinary things could you transform? What stories could you tell? An adventure awaits those who choose to create.

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mountain in the Black Hills of South Dakota is being carved into the shape of a man. It is a giant carving of Crazy Horse, a fearless and famous warrior of the Lakota tribe.

When it is finished, the Crazy Horse Memorial will be the biggest sculpture in the world. It will be taller than the

"My fellow chiefs and I would like the white man to know the red man has great heroes, too." Chief Standing Bear wrote in a letter to the sculptor, Korczak Ziolkowski.

Washington Monument. Each eye is large enough to hold a car! Four thousand people can stand on its outstretched arm!

Chief Standing Bear and other Native American chiefs invited sculptor, Korczak Ziolkowski to carve a mountain in memory of Crazy Horse.

Standards Link: History: Students understand how heroes from long ago have made a difference in others lives; students understand the ways in which American Indians have helped define American culture.

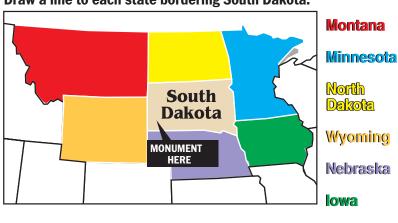
#### CARVED MOUNTAINS

The Black Hills of South Dakota are home to the Crazy Horse Memorial and Mt. Rushmore.

The four presidential heads carved on Mt. Rushmore would fit inside the horse's head on the Crazy Horse Memorial!

#### Draw a line to each state bordering South Dakota.

Standards Links: Social Science: Students use map skills to determine the absolute location of places



#### **CARVED MOUNTAINS**

**CRAZY HORSE MEMORIAL SCULPTURE** KORCZAK RUSHMORE DAKOTA **BLACK** 

HILLS

**CARVE** 

WORLD

**IOWA** 

**GIANT HAND** 

**GRID** 

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

CEROMHSURS AMRVINGECK DAELDRSUAC LELMERLZDA RSAVOPCIWL OMRHTRROKB WAAUOGIANT CNRKBYZARC DEDAKOTALY

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.



#### Thrifty & Fritter's

# The Joy of Saving



**Hey, Thrifty!** Can I borrow **\$100** to buy a *totally cool* electric race track?



Well, yeah, but the race track costs \$130! Grandma sent me \$30.





Standards Link: Economics: Students understand basic economic principles.



Watch how Fritter saves money and reaches his goal. Then use the blank spaces to make a plan to save for one of **your** goals!



How much money do you need to buy the thing you want? That's your **savings goal**. For extra inspiration, tape a picture of the thing you want to buy in a place where you'll see it everyday.

Fritter wants: Speedstar Kaceway Cost: \$130

You want: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost: \_



## 2. Watch Your Spending



Write down everything you spend money on. After a week or so, add up what you spent. Is there anything you could do without? How much would

## What I Spent This Week Fritter



How much money did Fritter spend this week?

What things would you suggest Fritter do without to save for the race track?

How much money would he save by not buying those things?





Work with a parent to add up the value of the coins on this page!

## Make a Plan

Write down what you want to buy and the amount of money you need. Help complete Fritter's plan.



I need \$ 130.00 to buy Raceway

Money I have saved up now: Weekly allowance I can save: Weekly work/chores income:

TOTAL:

After the first week, how much more money do you need?

How many weeks will it take to save the entire amount?



lot easier thought it would be money!

I need \$ to buy .

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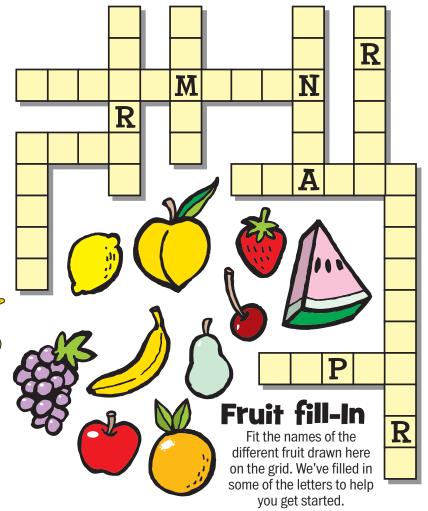
Standards Link: Number Sense: Solve real-world problems using money amounts.



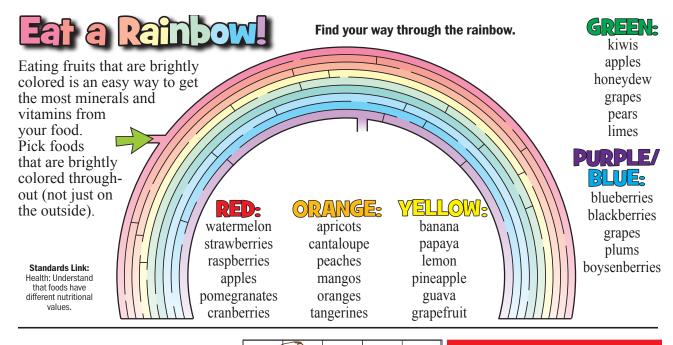
Sweet, juicy and loaded with healthy stuff, fruit just rules!



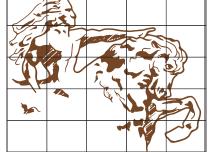
Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.



in the 1940s and 1950s, was noted for the famous fruit-hat outfit she wore in the 1943 film, The Gang's All Here. Find the two identical Carmens.

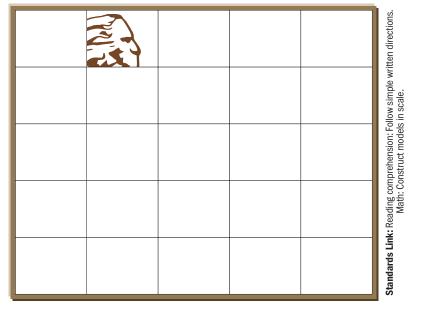


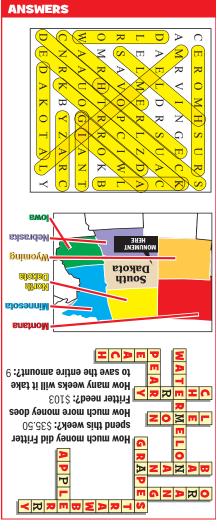
GroW a Picture You can make a small picture larger in much the same way Ziolkowski enlarged his small sculpture of Crazy Horse.



Look at the small drawing of Crazy Horse. Lit is drawn in a grid made up of small boxes.

Above is a grid with larger boxes. Copy the drawing of Crazy Horse, one box at a time and you will make a drawing that is larger than the original.









# **Benefits of reading aloud**

Read Today is always looking for ways to help kids discover a love of reading, and you can help! Want to know how? Take a few minutes to read to a younger child. Every word you say builds a child's brain. The more words they hear while their brain is developing, the better their vocabulary, reading skills and higher test scores when they enter grade school. Who would have thought reading aloud is just what our brains love to hear. What a great way to begin the giving season by reading to those we care about. So take time to pick up a book and share a story.

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