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Abuela by Arthur Dorros

Match the Spanish word to the English word and definition.

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| 1. Abuela | a. Lemonade |
| 2. Buenos dias | b. House |
| 3. Cuidado | c. The bird |
| 4. El parquet | d. Aunt |
| 5. Hola | e. Good Day |
| 6. Las nubes | f. Grandmother |
| 7. Limonada | g. The clouds |
| 8. Me gusta | h. Be careful |
| 9. Mira | i. Hello |
| 10. Casa | j. Uncle |
| 11. El pajarro | k. A cat |
| 12. Tia | l. Let's go |
| 13. Tio | m. I Like |
| 14. Un gato | n. Look |
| 15. Vamos | o. The park |

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Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

Multiple Meaning Words - Words or phrases can have more than one meaning. In this book, Amelia Bedelia follows her "to do" list literally but usually misunderstands what her employers actually want her to do. For each word or phrase below, write what Amelia thinks she should do and then write what her employer wants her to do.

1. Change the towels.

What does the mean to Amelia? _____

What does this mean to the Rogers? _____

2. Draw the drapes..

What does the mean to Amelia? _____

What does this mean to the Rogers? _____

3. Measure the rice.

What does the mean to Amelia? _____

What does this mean to the Rogers? _____

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish - cont.

Now it is your turn. Suppose Mrs. Rogers told Amelia to take the bus to school. In the first box, draw a picture of what Amelia would think that phrase meant. In the second box, draw a picture of what Mrs. Rogers would have really meant.

Amelia's Idea:



Mrs. Roger's Idea:



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Dad, Jackie, and Me by Myron Uhlberg

Remember that a good reader reads not only the words in the book, but also the captions under pictures, and any notes that the author writes.

Write F if the statement is false (not true) and T if the statement is true.

_____ 1. Jackie Robinson was the first Negro player in major league baseball.

_____ 2. Jackie Robinson played for the New York Giants.

_____ 3. Since his dad was deaf, Dad wrote his words in a notebook he carried in his pocket.

_____ 4. Dad had not learned how to catch a baseball as a boy.

_____ 5. Dad did not pronounce words the right way.

_____ 6. Dad was not interested in learning about baseball.

_____ 7. Other teams were not always kind to Jackie Robinson.

_____ 8. Dad made a scrapbook about Jackie Robinson.

_____ 9. The Dodgers did not win the pennant that year.

_____ 10. Dad caught the ball that Jackie Robinson threw him.

Tell me why Ellsworth Hoy was important to the author's father.

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Hero Cat by Eileen Spinelli

Circle the correct answer or fill in the blank.

1. Mother Cat was trying to find a place to ...
 - a. sleep for the night
 - b. eat some dinner
 - c. have her kittens
 - d. play with a friend
2. Mother Cat gave birth to her kittens in ...
 - a. an old garage
 - b. a back alley shed
 - c. under a house
 - d. a dark, abandoned building
3. How many kittens did Mother Cat have? (write your answer in the blank)
Mother Cat had _____ kittens.
4. When Mother Cat came back from finding food, what was happening to her kittens?
 - a. They were lost.
 - b. They were trapped in the burning building.
 - c. Someone had stolen them.
 - d. Nothing, they were sleeping.
5. Which kitten did Mother Cat save last?
 - a. Smokey
 - b. White Paws
 - c. Black-and-White
 - d. Gray
6. Why did Mother Cat risk her life to save her kittens?
 - a. She loves them very much.
 - b. The fireman told her to.
 - c. She didn't want to get in trouble.
 - d. She thought it would be fun.

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Leah's Pony by Elizabeth Friedrich

Facts can be proven right or wrong. They tell about an event that really occurred or something that can be seen. Opinions cannot be proven right or wrong. They tell about someone's thoughts or feelings. For the statements listed below, put an F in the blank if that statement is a fact or an O in the blank if it is an opinion. (Remember to always read the author's notes at the end of the story.)

Write F if the statement is a fact and O if the statement is an opinion.

_____ 1. Leah's Pony was the finest pony in town.

_____ 2. Dust storms were the worst things that could happen to farmers.

_____ 3. Mama used flour sacks to make underwear.

_____ 4. Leah's pony was white and black.

_____ 5. The tractor was beautiful.

_____ 6. During the 1930's, this region of the country was called "The Dust Bowl."

_____ 7. The farm was ugly with nothing growing on it.

_____ 8. The Great Depression was the hardest time in our country.

_____ 9. Grasshoppers ate the leaves off the trees.

_____ 10. Leah bid \$1.00 for her papa's tractor.

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Now and Ben by Gene Barretta

Circle the correct answer or fill in the blank.

1. What did Ben Franklin's newspaper cartoon with the disconnected snake say?
 - a. Fight for Freedom
 - b. Join or Die
 - c. Buy Some Glasses
 - d. Watch Out for Snakes

2. How do bifocal glasses help a person see?
 - a. They are very powerful.
 - b. The lenses are made of two colors.
 - c. The top lens helps see far, and the bottom lens helps see near.
 - d. They fit better.

3. How does the invention of the lightning rod still help us today?
 - a. It gathers lightning to use for power.
 - b. It gathers lightning to use for weapons.
 - c. It helps save birds.
 - d. It protects buildings and homes from lightning strikes.

4. What is one thing that Ben Franklin DID NOT invent?
 - a. wooden flippers
 - b. the Long Arm
 - c. the computer
 - d. the glass armonica

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5. What does an odometer do?
 - a. measures the distance a car travels
 - b. measures time
 - c. measures how far away stars are
 - d. none of the above

6. After reading this book, we know that Ben Franklin ...
 - a. was not very smart.
 - b. liked to wear glasses.
 - c. invented many things that we still use today.
 - d. thought the future was cool.

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The Drinking Gourd by F. N. Monjo

Parents - Please read and discuss this book with your child.

When you read a book, it is important to read everything in the book. Make sure that you read the poem at the beginning, the reward poster in the middle, and the author's note at the end.

Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Is the underground Railroad a real railroad? What is it?

2. How is it like a real railroad? (Think about the stations, conductors, and passengers.)

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3. What was the reward for turning in Jeff, Vinnie, Little Jeff, and Baby Pearl?

4. What was the "Drinking Gourd" and how did it help the slaves?

5. What is an abolitionist? What does the word abolish mean?

6. Tommy lied to the US Marshalls and broke the law. Do you think he was right to do this? (You might want to discuss this question with your mom or dad first.)

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The Legend of the Bluebonnet by Tommie DePaola

Sequence means time order. When events happen in a story they happen in a sequence. Something happens first. Then other things happen. It is important for a reader to remember the sequence of events. In the Legend of the Bluebonnet, the author tells about how a Native American girl's sacrifice resulted in the Bluebonnets growing in Texas.

Number the events (1-10) in the order they actually happen in the story.

_____ She-Who-Is-Alone offers her doll.

_____ Rains fall and the people danced to drums.

_____ Drought in the land of the Comanche people and many die.

_____ She-Who-Is-Alone wakes up and sees beautiful blue flowers where the ashes had fallen.

_____ Every spring the hills and valleys of Texas are filled with the blue flowers (known as Bluebonnets), even to this day.

_____ Shaman came back to the camp saying the people must make a burnt offering of a valued possession to the great spirits.

_____ She thought of her mother who makes the doll and her father who brought the feathers.

_____ The Native American girl loved her doll very much.

_____ From that day on, the little girl was know by another name: One-Who-Dearly-Loved-Her-People.

_____ Everyone went to their tipis to talk and think over what the great spirits asked.