

Mind Twisters

Packet #3

NAME: _____



What Slang Would You Use?

Slang refers to casual speech often used in a playful manner. Study the **Slang Bank** below, and then fill in the blanks with the appropriate words.

1. What would you say to someone who had divulged a secret?

2. What would you say to someone you find really special?

3. What would you say to someone who wanted to take your dessert?

4. How would you explain your sloppy appearance?

5. What might you say about a friend who is crying?

6. What would you say if someone were teasing you?

7. How might you describe finding a twenty-dollar bill?

8. How would you invite someone to slap your palm?

9. How would you describe an unremarkable television program?

10. What would you say to ask someone to hurry and get to recess?

11. How would you describe a car that hasn't been maintained?

12. How would you describe yourself if you were tired?

Slang Bank

It's run of the mill.
Over my dead body!
You let the cat out of the bag!
Make it snappy!

It's as rare as hen's teeth.
You're the cat's meow.
I'm zonked out.
She's turning on the waterworks.

I'm having a bad hair day.
Give me five!
It's gone to the dogs.
Knock it off!



Mind-Twisting Math

Follow the instructions below to work out this astonishing math equation. Be sure to complete the instructions in order. You may need a piece of scratch paper in order to work some equations.

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1. Write down the number of the month you were born. (For instance, if you were born in March, write down 3.)
2. Multiply the number above by 4.
3. Add 13 to the number above.
4. Multiply the number above by 25.
5. Subtract 200 from the number above.
6. Add the day of the month on which you were born to the number above.
7. Multiply the number above by 2.
8. Subtract 40 from the number above.
9. Multiply the number above by 50.
10. Add the last two digits of the year of your birth to the number above.
11. Subtract 10,500 from the number above.

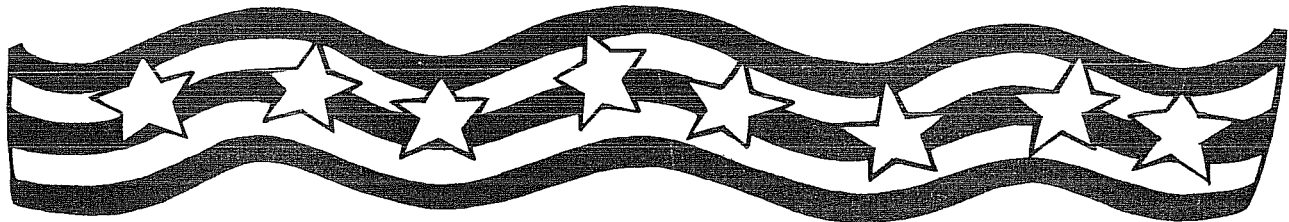
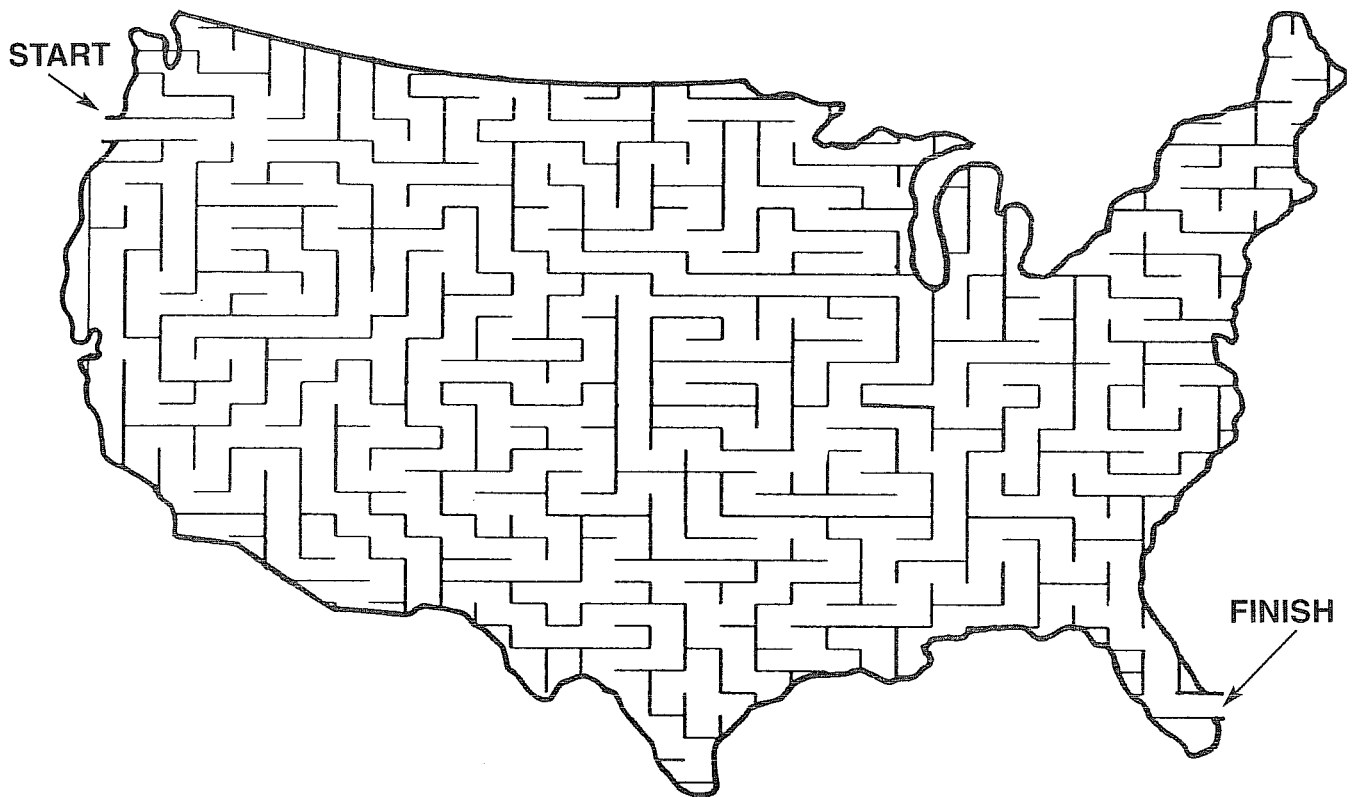
What is significant about your answer? _____

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18
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Working Your Way Through the U.S.

Different states are known for different exports and jobs. Work your way across this maze of the United States from Oregon to Florida.

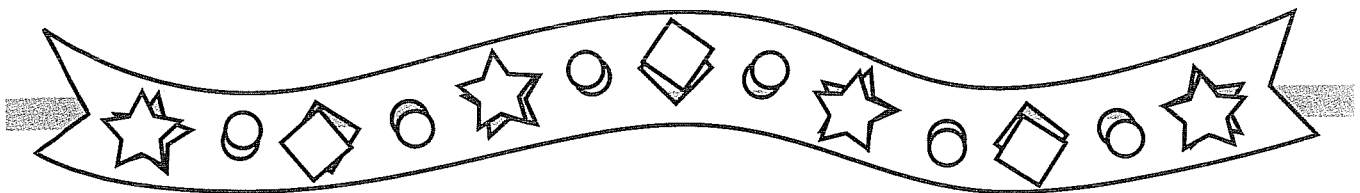




Fun with Double Letters

Answer each clue with a word that contains double letters. The first one has been done for you.

1. A car is dependent on this. _____ wheels
2. This crunchy candy tastes rich and buttery. _____
3. Filling in one of these indicates your answer. _____
4. This is where you might dance a waltz or tango. _____
5. This is a season of swimming pools and ice cream. _____
6. This is a group of people gathered to organize something. _____
7. You don't want this to fall off your clothes! _____
8. Use one of these in case of rain. _____
9. You might feel this if you see a large spider! _____
10. What you do when you're against a decision. _____
11. You might send this to a faraway friend or relative. _____
12. This is what the dish ran away with in the nursery rhyme. _____





Our Mysterious Bodies

The names of parts relating to our bodies have been split into two- and three-letter chunks. The letters of the chunks are in order, but the chunks are scrambled. Put the letters together to identify these parts of the body. Use the clues to help you.

1. **IL RT AGE CA** _____

This flexible material is located between bones, on the tip of your nose, and top of your ear.

2. **LO IS IG TT EP** _____

This flops down over your windpipe to keep you from choking on food.

3. **NS TE NDO** _____

These attach your muscles to your bones.

4. **TI NA RE** _____

Light hits this and sends messages to your brain.

5. **RY LA NX** _____

This works with air from your lungs to let you talk and sing.

6. **TIN RA KE** _____

This hard protein is found in your hair.

7. **IDE IS RM EP** _____

This is the outermost layer of your skin.

8. **RA APH GM DI** _____

This muscle separates your lungs from your stomach and intestines.

9. **BE CE UM RE LL** _____

This controls your balance, coordination, and movement.

10. **RIA CTE BA** _____

These can help or hurt our body, depending on their type.



Feeling Sporty

There are many interesting sports in the world. Using the clues below, fill in the blanks. Then unscramble the letters in the squares to complete the phrase below.

1. This game is played with two rackets, a birdie, and a net. _____ □ _____ □ _____
2. You play this game with a mallet, metal arches, and a heavy ball. _____ □ _____
3. In this game, you might make a hookshot or a jumpshot. _____ □ _____ □ _____
4. In this game, you're allowed to steal. _____ □ _____
5. Although it's square, players of this sport call it a "ring." _____ □ _____
6. You play this sport astride a horse, using a mallet. _____ □ _____
7. This sport involves a pack of domesticated animals in the snow.
_____ □ _____ □ _____
8. If you compete in this sport, you'll need wheels. _____ □ _____
9. This sport has been around for centuries and involves a saber. _____ □ _____
10. For this sport, you'd better like water! □ _____ □ _____
11. You just need a pair of sturdy shoes for this sport. □ _____ □ _____

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Cool Communicators

Decide which communication devices would work best for you in the following situations and write them in the spaces below:

1. You want to talk to someone long distance, but your sister is on the telephone.

2. You need to get a message to the person sitting beside you, but you're not allowed to talk.

3. You want people around the world to watch you being interviewed about your new movie.

4. You need to have a conversation with a deaf individual.

5. You want people all over your city to listen to your new song.

6. You want to tell your neighbor that her cat is outside, but you're in your robe and slippers.

7. You want to post information about your school report on the computer so people all over the world can read it.

8. You want everyone in the school auditorium to hear your voice.

9. You want to send a thank-you note on paper you've made by hand.

10. You're stranded on a desert island without batteries or electricity and you need help.
