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# Jabberblabber®

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## NOVEMBER



FUN, Educational Activities  
and  
Puzzles for the **WHOLE** family!

### GRATITUDE ROCKS!

### KIRBY PINES

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## It's getting cold, so guess what happens to grease that's poured down kitchen sink drains?



Hi I'm Inspector Bret. My job is to find solutions to clogged sewer pipes throughout the city of Memphis. When it gets cold outside grease hardens and clogs pipes, causing flooding in your neighborhoods and homes. Please remember, NEVER pour fats, oils or grease (FOG) down your sink drain!



### Most common FOG:

- butter
- meat drippings
- cooking oil
- salad dressings
- fatty sauces and creamy dips
- any food with high "fat" on label

Cleaning FOG from your pans and dishes is as easy as **1,2,3!**



**1**

**SCRAPE** food and grease into trash.



**2**

**WIPE** grease off with a paper towel and trash it.



**3**

**WASH** pans and dishes in warm soapy water or dishwasher.

## Don't flush your wipes! They can clog your pipes!

Your wipe package may read "flushable", but they can still clog your pipes!  
Throw them in the trash, not the toilet!

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## When in doubt, trash it!

## GREETINGS FRIENDS AND HAPPY NOVEMBER!

When I think of November, I think of colorful leaves, cool temperatures and THANKSGIVING! As many of you know, I LOVE TO EAT! My favorite Thanksgiving dishes are my Aunt Amy's breakfast casserole, my Aunt Gina's cornbread dressing and yams and my mom's Italian green dressing...YUM! What are your favorite things to eat on Thanksgiving? Write to me and tell me all about it! (See Pen Pal on pg 6.)

Thanksgiving is a word that means "giving thanks" and being grateful for our many blessings. Do you live in or around Memphis? Then you can be grateful for some of the best, most delicious water in the world, the many beautiful parks for family outings and our mild, sub-tropical weather which allows us to play outside almost year 'round!

If you're ever feeling blue, remember to stop what you're doing, take a deep breath and be grateful. Do you have a roof over your head? Do you have clothes to wear? Do you have food to eat? Do you have toys to play with? Can you walk? See? Hear? Talk? Even if you said no to some of these things...you can find something to be grateful for. It's a good way to calm down and feel better, in general.

We're grateful for you, our loyal readers, and for our sponsors who make this E-zine possible for FREE! Please remember them the next time your school or family is in need of their services, after all, they share our mission of early child literacy and "helping children live healthy and happy."

Be Green Like me and remember to scrape your plate in the trash, not in the sink disposal, especially fats/oils/grease. You don't want your parents spending their hard earned money on plumbing bills, especially during the holidays!

See you next month! Peace and love,  
Jabberblabber

Jabberblabber has a box hidden in this E-Zine somewhere. The box contains pieces of paper that he's written all the things he's thankful for. See if you can help him find it! This would be something FUN for you to do too!

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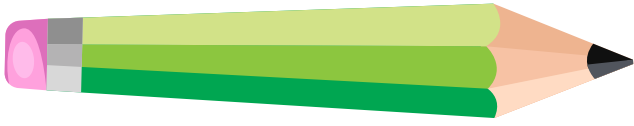
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# Jabbermail



*"Be My Pen Pal" (see page 5), is a popular and regular feature in Jabberblabber E-Zine. Children from all over the Mid-South write letters to Jabberblabber, and he writes EVERYONE back! This fun exercise helps children with letter writing, handwriting and communication skills and gives them an opportunity to send and receive mail through the United States Postal Service (USPS).*

Dear Jabberblabber,  
 My favorite season is all of them.  
 My favorite thing to do in Jabberblabber magazine is the UFINDIT!  
 The best thing I've learned reading Jabberblabber is how to be better in math.  
 I want to be an astronaut when I grow up!  
 Because I think space is really cool.  
 My question for you is . . . have you ever been to the moon?  
 Sincerely,  
 Cristall Gains, age 7, Memphis, TN

Dear Jabberblabber,  
 My favorite season is Summer.  
 My favorite thing to do in Jabberblabber magazine is the coloring contest and the connect the dots!  
 The best thing I've learned reading Jabberblabber is how to be kind and give compliments.  
 I want to be a teacher when I grow up!  
 Because I love all my teacher so much and they love me.  
 My question for you is . . . Can you come to our school?  
 Sincerely,  
 Jeromia Covington, age 9, Marion, AR

Dear Jabberblabber,  
 My favorite season is Fall.  
 My favorite thing to do in Jabberblabber magazine are the jokes and the part where I can write to you!  
 The best thing I've learned reading Jabberblabber is how to be green like you and how to read better.  
 I want to be the President of the United States when I grow up!  
 Because I think I can bring world peace to our planet.  
 My question for you is . . . do you know anyone at the White House or can you help me get there?  
 Sincerely,  
 Jessica Dennis, age 8, Germantown, TN



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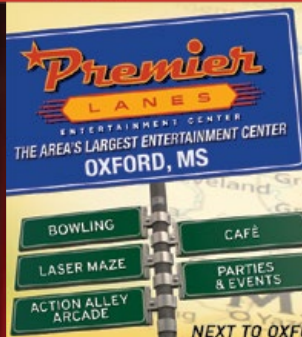
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# BE MY GREEN PENPAL

Print out the next page, write to me and join my "GREEN LIKE ME" club. I'll write back and send you a sticker & club card with your name on it!



As a club member, you pledge to practice the "10 ways to be green like me" (below)!



## 10 WAYS YOU CAN BE GREEN LIKE ME!

- 1. Turn it up or down 2 degrees!** Turn your heat down 2 degrees in the winter & your air conditioner up 2 degrees in the summer.
- 2. Turn it off!** When you're the last one to leave the room, ALWAYS turn off the lights!
- 3. Unplug It!** Reduce your home energy bill 10% by unplugging your cell phone charger, TV, stereo, and computer when you're not using them.
- 4. Say NO to plastic bags!** Bring your own bag when you go shopping. Plastic is bad for land & animals!
- 5. Shop Locally!** Support local farmers & local businesses who produce here at home.
- 6. Don't Idle!** If you are going to be parked more than 10 seconds, turn it off! Idling cars produce 25% of all Co2 emissions.
- 7. Recycle!** Cans, bottles, cardboard and plastic. Donate unwanted clothes, toys & furniture.
- 8. Reuse!** Get a washable, reusable and refillable water bottle.
- 9. Conserve Water!** Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth and take a short shower rather than a bath.
- 10. Can it!** Trash on the ground is unsightly & can end up in our rivers and oceans. Always throw trash in the trash can.

## What you need:

- The template on the next page or a piece of paper.
- 2 envelopes
- 2 stamps
- Pen or Pencil

### Step 1:

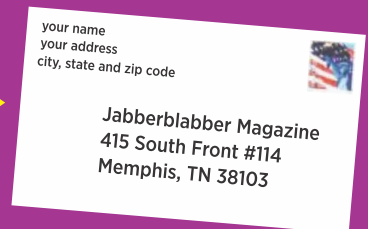
Answer the questions in the template or write me a letter. Then fold it and place it in one of the envelopes.

### Step 2:

Address this envelope to me:

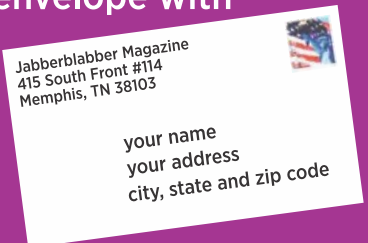
Jabberblabber  
415 S. Front St #114  
Memphis Tn 38103

Place a stamp in the top right corner of the envelope.



### Step 3:

Address the other envelope to yourself: Your name your address your zip code. Place a stamp in the top right corner. Fold and place in the other envelope with your letter.



### Step 4:

**MAIL IT!** Place in 'OUTGOING MAIL' box at your home or various locations of the United States Post Office (USPS).

You will receive a reply and a **BE GREEN LIKE ME** bumper sticker in the mail in the next few weeks.

All letters submitted are eligible for copy/reprint in a future issue of Jabberblabber Family E-Zine.

Dear Jabberblabber,

What makes me really happy is:

What makes me sad is:

I think the best thing about my family is...

The best thing I can say about myself is...

My question for you is...

Sincerely,

your name:

your age:

your address:

city, state and zip code:

I pledge to practice the "10 ways to be GREEN"



# WIN a Jabberblabber bookmark, folder, sticker & **2 MALCO MOVIE PASSES**

PRINT, COLOR & SEND in your masterpiece for the random drawing!

1 Grand Prize Winner will appear in the E-Zine, receive a bookmark, folder, sticker, and 2 Malco movie passes!  
Runners up will appear in the E-Zine!

Fill in your info and mail or email by the 20th of the month to:  
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OR photograph/scan your colored page and email to  
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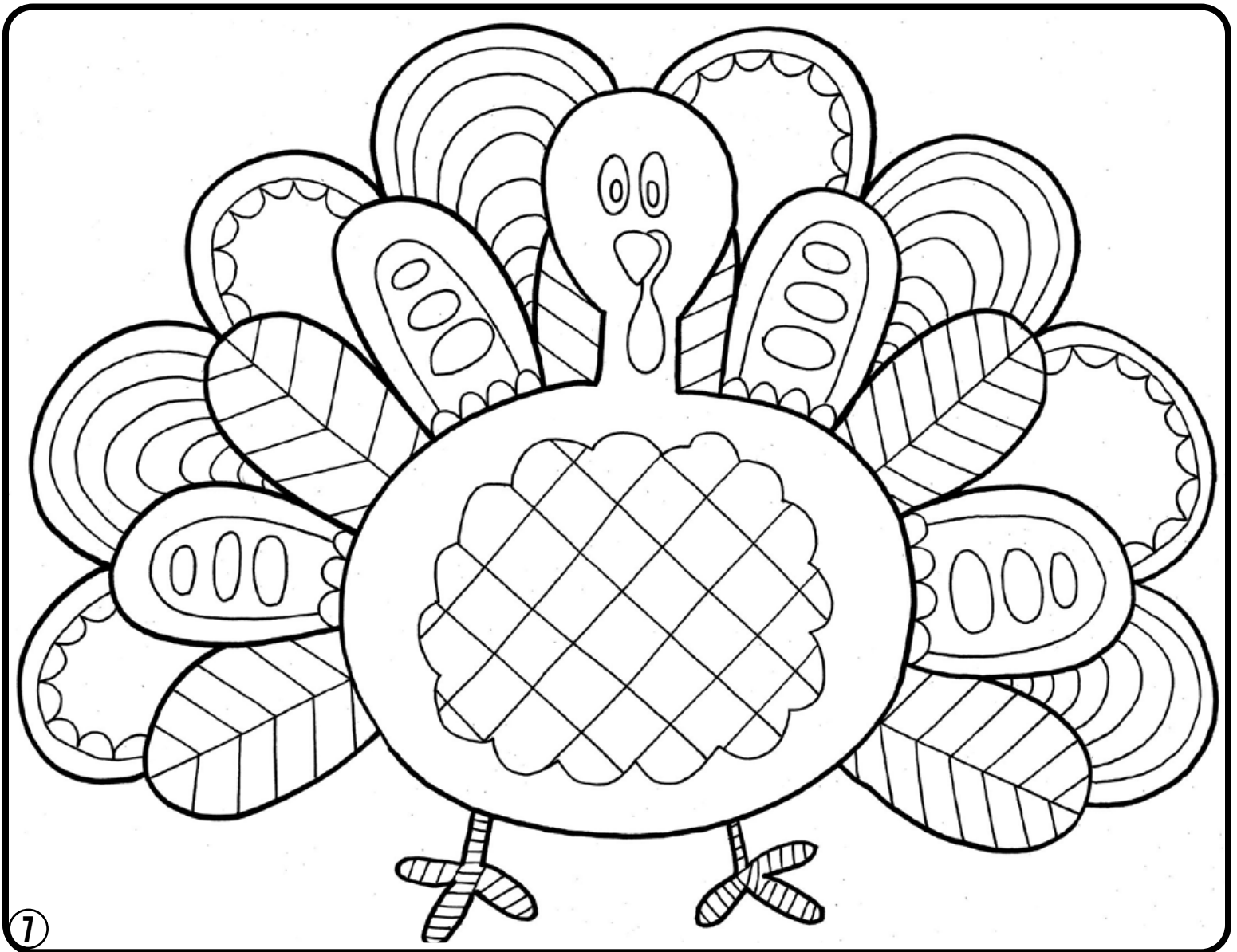
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ (No age limit!)

# UCOLORIT CONTEST

## NOVEMBER 2023

PRINT, COLOR & SEND us your masterpiece for the **UCOLORIT** random drawing!

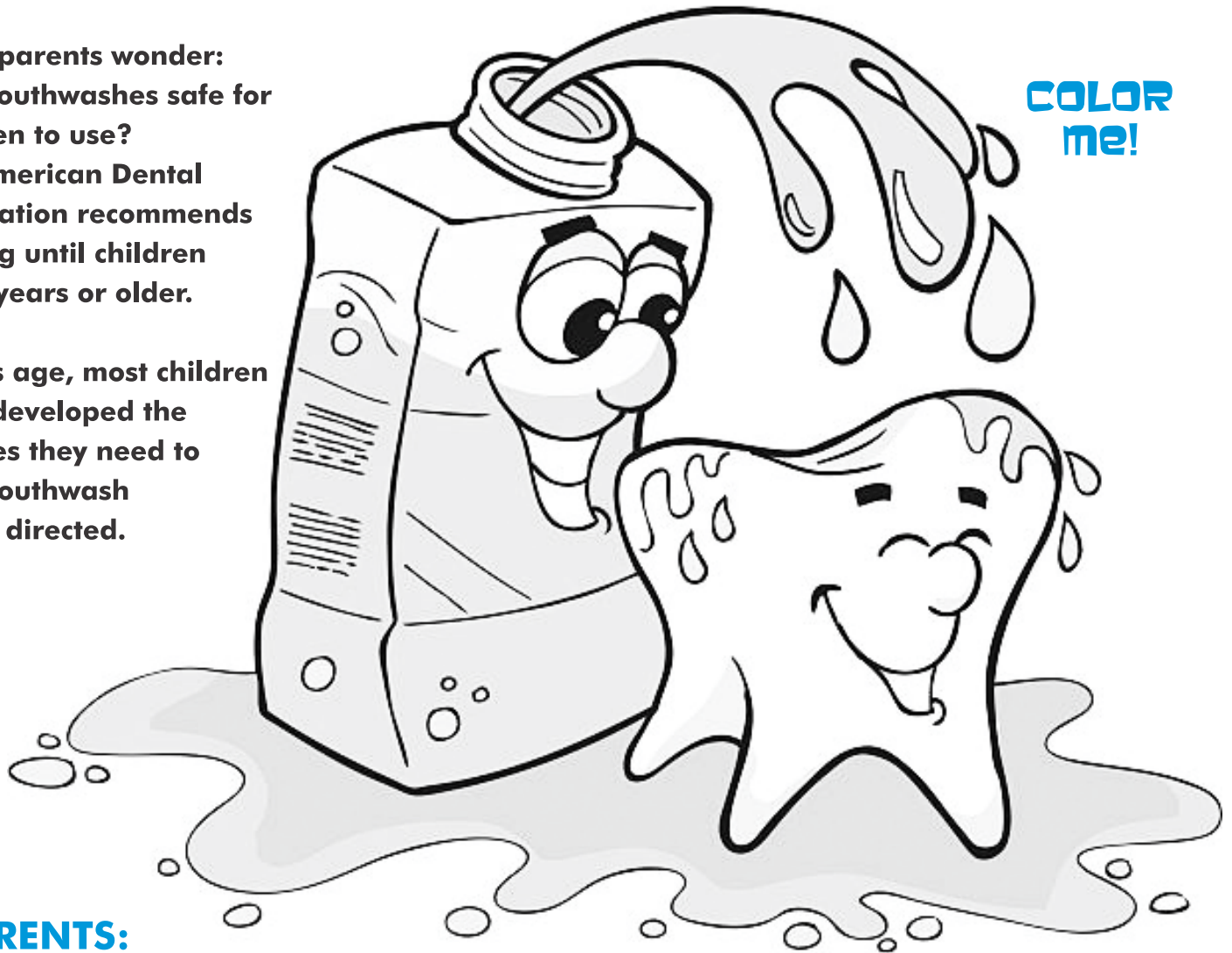


# SWISH AND SWISH AND SWISH!

**Mouthwash kills germs that cause plaque, cavities and gingivitis!**

Many parents wonder:  
Are mouthwashes safe for  
children to use?  
The American Dental  
Association recommends  
waiting until children  
are 6 years or older.

By this age, most children  
have developed the  
reflexes they need to  
spit mouthwash  
out as directed.



## **PARENTS:**

### **Here are five fun tips**

for getting the little ones to use it at home, safely and effectually.

1. Let them choose an alcohol free flavor. (ADA approved)
2. Teach them how to swish the mouthwash around for 30 seconds before spitting.
3. Have a contest to see who can swish the mouthwash for up to 1 minute.
4. Supervise your kids each time they use mouthwash to ensure they aren't swallowing.
5. Don't let mouthwash become a substitute for brushing and flossing. Unlike mouthwash, brushing and flossing are mandatory!

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# Happy Thanksgiving!

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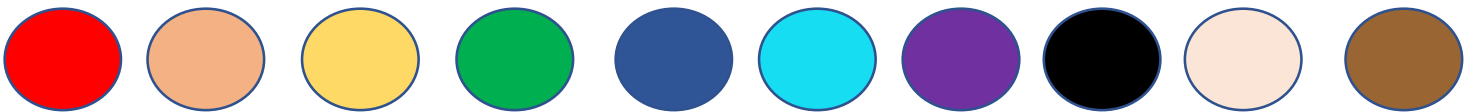
**901-636-5650**

[www.firemuseum.com](http://www.firemuseum.com)

**Mon. – Sat. 9 am to 4:30 pm**



The museum will be closed on Thanksgiving Day!



**Color the firefighter and turkey below!**



Hello Little Pollution Preventers! It's time for one of Gurgle's storm drain games!

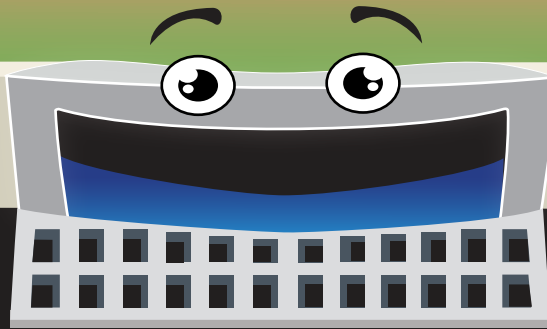
# Can you find and circle what is wrong below?



Scan for the Rules!



Scan to Meet Gurgle!

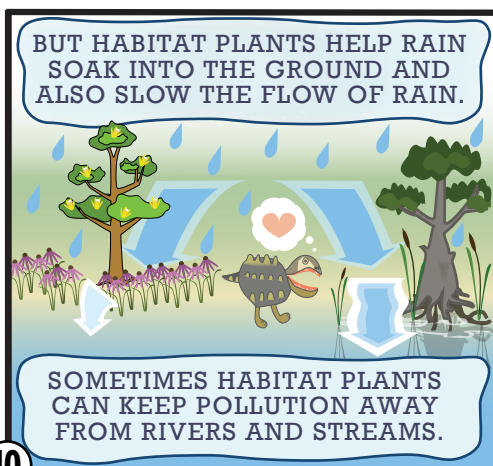
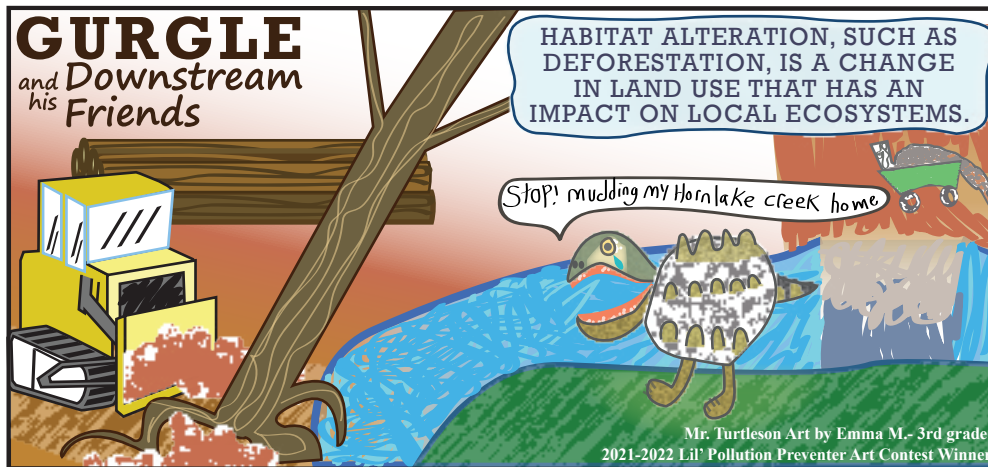


Show what you know!  
Enter the 2023-2024  
Lil' Pollution Preventer  
Art Contest!



Deadline is March 8, 2024.

Emma won the art contest in 2021-2022! See her character below in our comic strip! YOUR CHARACTER COULD BE NEXT!



# Enter the 2023 MLGW

## **"ELECTROCK!"**

### Art Contest



Grab your paints, brushes, colored pencils, crayons and even computers, to create the image of MLGW's Power League Superhero, "ElectRock!"

#### How did little Elon Rocket become Power League Superhero, "ElectRock?"

*"Born in Memphis, 'Home of the Blues and Birthplace of Rock'n'roll,' young Elon Rocket was ever impressed by the powerful forces of electronic music and electricity in general. This curiosity prompted Elon to go to college for electrical engineering and electronic music. The discoveries opened Elon's mind widely, to the point of deciding to become an expert in electric generation and distribution, while making music, which eventually turned Elon Rocket into ElectRock! whose mission is to investigate electronic music and teach everyone how electricity is generated and distributed for everyone's comfort and convenience."*

#### That's how little Elon Rocket became Power League Superhero, "ElectRock!"

For 2023, we'd like to have the students create the next MLGW's Power League Superhero, "ElectRock!" whose core mission is to teach how electricity is generated and distributed for everyone's comfort and convenience.

**Win a \$125 prize!**  
Open to all K-12 students

ALL K-12 students attending school or being home-schooled within Shelby County are eligible to participate. For contest rules and entry form, visit [mlgw.com/artcontest](http://mlgw.com/artcontest).

**Submission deadline: Friday, December 15, 2023.**

For more information, please send an email to [gmoulin@mlgw.org](mailto:gmoulin@mlgw.org).



## How to get your child in the habit of expressing gratitude in part by PBS Kids for Parents

Gratitude involves both feeling and expressing our thankfulness; it means we show our appreciation for others. According to the Harvard Healthbeat, “Gratitude helps people feel more positive emotions, relish good experiences, improve their health, deal with adversity, and build strong relationships.”

For a six-year-old, gratitude includes recognizing how others help, expressing thanks to others for this help, and identifying and talking about things that make them feel thankful.

## How to get your child in the habit of expressing gratefulness:

### Model Gratitude

Children imitate adult behavior. In your daily interactions, model saying “thank you” to store clerks, teachers, librarians and family members. Encourage your child to follow suit. When you write a thank you note to someone they know, let them add a picture or dictate a few words. As they get older, encourage them to write their own thank you cards or make thank you gifts for people who have touched their lives, such as teachers, coaches or community helpers.

### Create a Gratitude Jar

A gratitude jar is as simple as it sounds. You need a large clear jar, a stack of sticky notes and a pen. Have each family member write (or draw) something that they are grateful for a few times a week. It can be small things, like a favorite food, or big things, like time spent with a grandparent. At the end of the week, read the gratitude slips together as a family.

### Share “Three Good Things” Each Day

As a family, make it a ritual to share three good things that happened that day. This is a perfect way to connect at dinnertime or bedtime. Simply ask children, “What made you happy today? What are you thankful for?” And don’t forget to share your own reflections, modeling for your kids a daily attitude of gratitude for the small things in life.

### Make it FUN!

Make copies of the scavenger hunt to the right. Play this game with your kids and their friends over the holidays or any time you want to remind them to be grateful!

## Gratitude Scavenger Hunt for Kids

1. Find something outside you enjoy looking at
2. Find something that is useful for you
3. Find something that is your favorite color
4. Find something you know someone else will enjoy
5. Find something that makes you happy
6. Find something that tastes good
7. Find something that smells amazing
8. Discover something new
9. Find something that makes you feel safe
10. Find something that makes a beautiful sound
11. Find someone you are grateful for
12. Find something that is unique to you
13. Find something that makes you laugh
14. Find something in the night that you enjoy
15. Find something in the morning that you enjoy
16. Find a friend/pet that you love spending time with
17. Find your favorite place to spend alone time
18. Find something that reminds you of the people you love
19. Find something that you enjoy doing outside with friends
20. Find a place that you love

# DOCTOR'S ORDERS



## NOVEMBER TOPIC: The Mental Health Benefits of Gratitude for Kids & Teens

By Erika Vivyan, PhD

Even after the Thanksgiving holiday is behind us, continuing the practice of gratitude has mental health benefits for all of us. Gratitude may be especially helpful for kids and teens who suffer from symptoms of anxiety and depression, given its ability to improve symptoms associated with both of these categories of mental health disorders. Here are a few ways that gratitude can be helpful for kids and teens:

### 1. Expressing gratitude improves mood.

Simply writing or stating a reason to be thankful can improve mood. Encourage kids and teens to make a habit of expressing gratitude and they are more likely to report positive emotions such as happiness and satisfaction. This can help to improve symptoms of anxiety and depression, both of which limit the amount of pleasant, positive emotions that are experienced day-to-day.

### 2. Gratitude increases social connection.

Sharing gratitude can improve our children's social bonds with family and friends. In a recent study of high school adolescents' social media use and gratitude, results suggest that gratitude may be associated with the use of social media for meaningful conversations but does not increase overall social media use. This is good news for our kids and teens who have been more connected to peers through social media since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. Try encouraging more #gratitude posts and reap the benefits of stronger friendships.

### 3. Gratitude helps to reduce suicide risk.

Previous research has established that gratitude reduces suicide risk in young adults by reducing depression and increasing self-esteem. In a more recent study, positive self-compassion that includes gratitude helped to reduce suicide risk among adolescents following a traumatic experience. Given the increased risk of suicidal ideation for teens struggling with anxiety and depression, the use of gratitude can help to manage one of mental health's most dangerous symptoms.

### 4. Practicing gratitude improves sleep.

Both anxious and depressed children tend to experience disturbances in sleep, and gratitude may be the answer. Thinking about the things we are grateful for just before bed can improve sleep quality and duration. Try a little gratitude journaling or saying a prayer of gratitude at bedtime to activate these grateful thoughts.

### 5. Parents and caregivers can model gratitude at home.

Good news! When parents are more grateful, their children often express more gratitude. As we continue a season of gratitude this year, be sure to model your gratitude by sharing thanks for the people and things that bring joy to your life. Bonus points if you turn this exercise into a way to praise your children (e.g., "I am so grateful that my kids work hard in school and have been so helpful around the house.") and reap the benefits of increased joy and positive emotion.



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for full article.

How will you and your family benefit from more gratitude this year?

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## Jabber Jokes

1. Why was the Thanksgiving vegetable side dish so expensive?
2. Why did the turkey call it quits at the farm?
3. How do you fix a broken pumpkin pie?
4. Why do the Pilgrims have trouble keeping their pants on?
5. What does Dracula call Thanksgiving?

# #BeAirAware

Improve Air Quality by remembering the "COOL 5"

## 5 cool ways to reduce ozone in Shelby County:

**Share the Ride** Carpool, use public transportation, bike, or even walk! It saves money and reduces pollution levels.

**Link the Trips** When driving, do all of your errands in a row instead of returning home in between. It saves money, gas, and reduces pollution.

**Stop at the Click** When refueling the gas tank in your car, do not top off after the click. It harms your car and increases pollution levels!

**Don't Idle Your Car** You can reduce pollution levels by avoiding drive-through lines and shutting your engine off if waiting for more than 30 seconds.

**Mow When the Sun is Low** Gasoline lawn mowers are much dirtier than automobiles. Mow after 6pm to reduce ozone levels in the summer.



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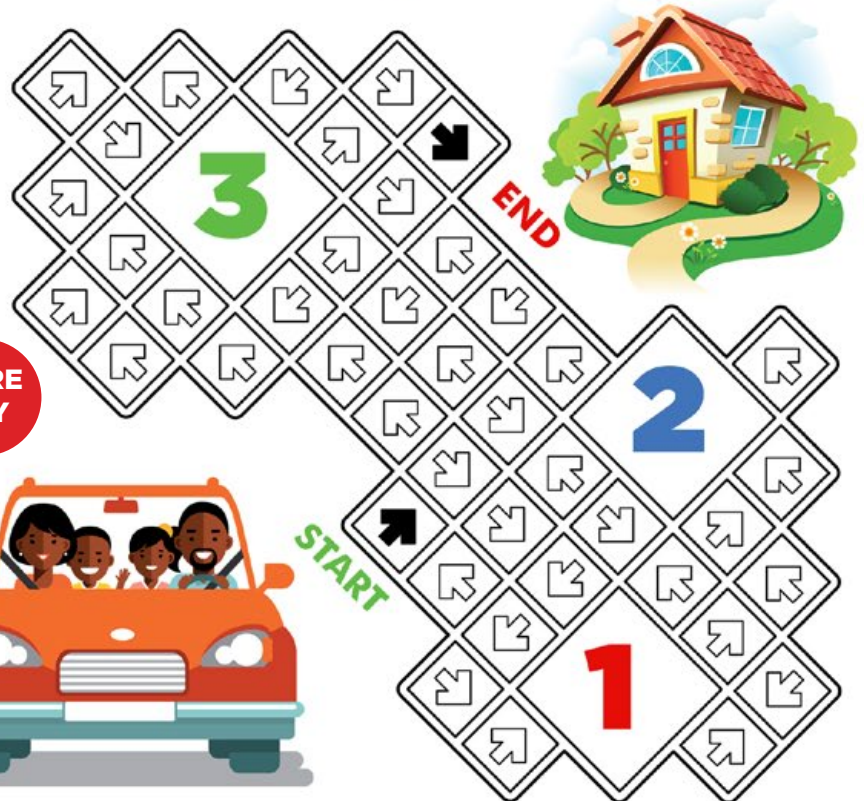
## Link the Trips!

If you are a carpooler or commute by transit, apply to be a registered commuter in our **Rideshare Program**.

The Emergency Ride Home Program gives you several free taxi rides per year when an emergency or unforeseen circumstance causes you to miss your ride home.

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

Help the Jones family link their 3 errands before going home!  
Follow the arrows going through each numbered square to the end.





# Jabberblabber®

## ACTIVITY OF THE MONTH™

### What You Need:

- Leaves
- Sharpie or metallic pens
- Glue
- Flat ribbon of any color
- Newspaper or poster board to protect the table

# THANKSGIVING BANNER!

### Directions:

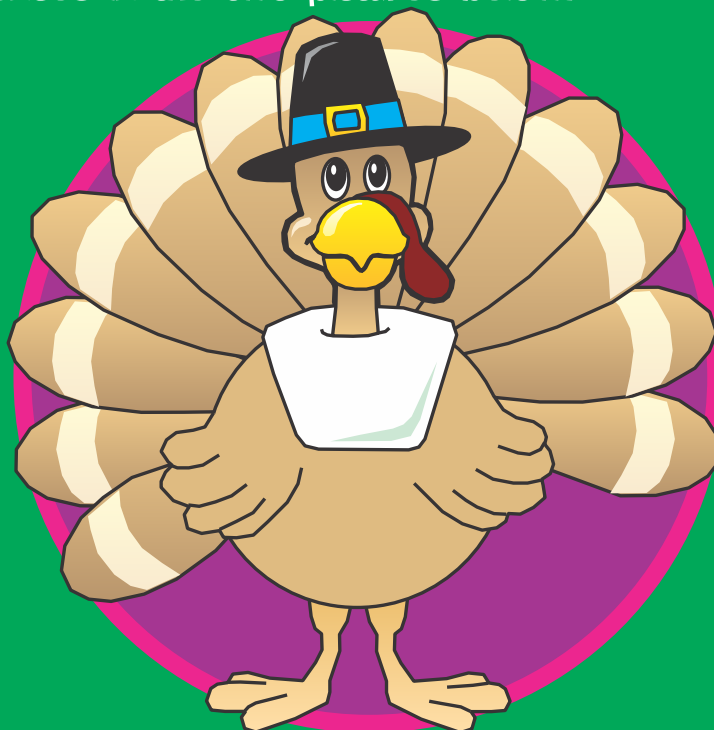
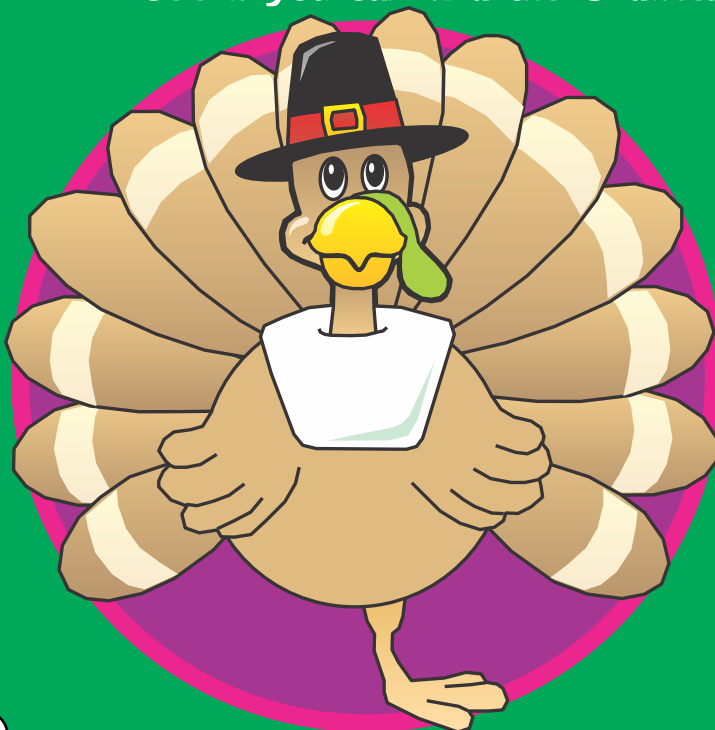
1. Gather leaves with your family. Bring them home, sit down at a big table or on the floor and divide the leaves evenly for each family member.
2. Now write on each leaf something for which you are thankful... for example, family, food, friends, love, chocolate, birthdays, home, bed, clothes, etc. On some, you can trace the veins or add designs for a cool effect.
3. Now you're ready to glue the leaves onto the ribbon, a few inches apart. Let it dry and it's ready to hang anywhere in your home for the holidays as a nice reminder of all of your blessings!



# Jabberblabber® FIND IT™ 2

for beginners

See if you can find the 5 differences in the two pictures below!



# NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS

Nov 1 | Wednesday | Author's Day

Nov 2 | Thursday | Deviled Eggs Day

Nov 3 | Friday | Sandwich Day

Nov 4 | Saturday | Common Sense Day

Nov 5 | Sunday | Daylight Saving Time Ends (2am)

Nov 6 | Monday | Zero Tasking Day

Nov 7 | Tuesday | Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day

Nov 8 | Wednesday | Cook Something Bold Day

Nov 9 | Thursday | Chaos Never Dies Day

Nov 10 | Friday | Vanilla Cupcake Day

Nov 11 | Saturday | Origami Day

Nov 12 | Sunday | Tongue Twister Day

Nov 13 | Monday | World Kindness Day

Nov 14 | Tuesday | Pickle Day

Nov 15 | Wednesday | Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day

Nov 16 | Thursday | Fast Food Day

Nov 17 | Friday | Take A Hike Day

Nov 18 | Saturday | Apple Cider Day

Nov 19 | Sunday | Play Monopoly Day

Nov 20 | Monday | National Absurdity Day

Nov 21 | Tuesday | World Hello Day

Nov 22 | Wednesday | Go For a Ride Day

Nov 23 | Thursday | Thanksgiving

Nov 24 | Friday | National Day of Listening

Nov 25 | Saturday | Shopping Reminder Day

Nov 26 | Sunday | Cake Day

Nov 27 | Monday | Pins and Needles Day

Nov 28 | Tuesday | Red Planet Day

Nov 29 | Wednesday | Electronic Greeting Card Day

Nov 30 | Thursday | Computer Security Day



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See if you can find the **9** differences in the two photos.





# Recycle

You can help!

Recycled Item:	Interesting Facts:	It is Recycled Into:
	<p>Two weeks of daily <b>NEWSPAPERS</b> equals one full-grown tree.</p>	<p>writing paper, newspaper, cardboard boxes, cereal boxes, toilet paper, tissue paper, paper towels</p>
	<p>Americans use 2.5 million <b>PLASTIC</b> bottles every hour. 40 recycled soda bottles make enough fiberfill to stuff a sleeping bag.</p>	<p>fiberfill, tote bags, clothing, containers, carpet, strapping, fleece wear, luggage, bottles, pipe, buckets, benches, plastic lumber, picnic tables</p>
	<p>You can save enough energy to operate a television for six hours by recycling just two <b>ALUMINUM</b> cans.</p>	<p>cars, soda cans, aluminum foil, construction products, lawn chairs</p>
	<p><b>GLASS</b> bottles and jars can be recycled over and over again. There is no limit. In the landfill, glass takes a million years to break down.</p>	<p>glass bottles, jars, tile, road paving, fiberglass insulation, marbles</p>
	<p>Some <b>BATTERIES</b> contain heavy metals such as mercury, cadmium, and lead which can pollute our air, ground, and surface water if thrown out in the regular garbage.</p>	<p>Recovered cadmium can be made into new rechargeable batteries. Nickel and iron can be recycled into stainless steel products like pots and pans.</p>
	<p><b>STEEL</b> is the most recycled material in the U.S. Through recycling each year, the steel industry saves enough energy to power 18 million homes - 1/5th of the homes in the U.S.</p>	<p>steel food cans, cars &amp; trucks, buildings, bridges, tools, refrigerators &amp; other appliances, almost anything made of steel</p>

# GRANDPARENTS PAGE

Celebrating our senior adults in the prime of their lives!



## Grandparents of the Month – Ernie & Laura Leuenberger

Ernie and Laura Leuenberger moved to Kirby Pines from Oak Ridge North, Texas, a suburb of Houston. Married for 48 years, they are the parents to three sons; Eric, Bryan, and Josh. They are also the proud grandparents to nine grandchildren.

Ernie and Laura graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1975. Ernie majored in business and had a 46 year career in oil and gas administration. He worked with Amoco and Anadarko as a supervisor. Laura’s degree was in education and she was a kindergarten teacher for 24 years.

Ernie’s interests are in retirement/financial planning and investment strategies which keep him busy. He also is a collector of Morgan and Franklin silver coins and Lionel O-Scale trains. Laura’s life is quite busy with her love of card making and Bible art journaling. She is very creative and shares her craft by teaching classes.

Laura experienced traveling at a young age when her father was stationed in England for 3 years. She also visited Norway and France. Laura and Ernie have been on cruises to the Caribbean, Alaska and Hawaii.

Congratulations Ernie & Laura, for being Jabberblabber’s Grandparents of the Month!

## GRANDPARENTS WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

### Healthy Foods

Find the words hidden in the grid of letters.



B T D U A W B J T O W E Y O V R P  
 R A P P L E S S D D R G U C R P T  
 O B E L L P E P P E R A Z M S R J  
 C B P U U N W Z L U B G N E U X Z  
 C Y M V I X Z A N N F X I G N M U  
 O A E L E Q E M H O R R O M E E C  
 L L Y Q R G D A E X R Y U X I S C  
 I M R O W S E L S E L H H I Y Q H  
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 D S E E E R S A A B L Y J W P A O  
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 O Z S B M L H Q G S I S G S C G F  
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 PINEAPPLE  
 SALMON  
 SPINACH  
 SQUASH  
 TOMATO

VEGETABLES  
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## Why do leaves change color in the Autumn?

Most of the spectacular colors of autumn have actually been in the leaves all summer, however they were "covered up" by the dominant green of the chlorophyll. As weather cools, and shorter days settle in, the chlorophyll begins to break down, revealing new and varied color pigments. The brightest colors are seen when late summer is dry, and autumn has bright sunny days and cool nights.



White Birch



## GREEN - Chlorophyll

Chlorophyll is responsible for helping trees and plants turn sunlight into food. For most months, it is the dominant color seen in most leaves until it fades away. As many trees shut down their food production, they turn to stored sugars to survive the winter.



Swamp Chestnut Oak



## RED - Anthocyanin

Unlike other leaf colors that always exist in the leaf, anthocyanins are produced as the chlorophyll is broken down. The anthocyanins are often seen in leaves named for their autumn splash of red including Red Maples, Scarlet Oaks, and Red Sumacs.



Sugar Maple



## ORANGE - Carotene

Sugar Maples may be one of the best examples of carotene in action. Their bright signature orange fills many hills and country roads throughout the northern US. Sassafras leaves also turn a slightly more muted orange. As its name implies, Carotenes are also the chemical responsible for giving carrots their unique coloring.



Aspen



## YELLOW - Xanthophyll

Xanthophyll can be seen throughout the fall in trees including beeches, ashes, birches, aspens, and some oaks. It also contributes its bright yellow color to autumn squash and corn.

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## COLLEGE LEVEL PUZZLES

THESE ARE TOUGH! TRY THEM IF YOU DARE!

Answer on page 33

<h3>WORD PUZZLERS</h3> <p>WHAT DO THESE WORD PICTURES REPRESENT?</p>		3	search
1	<b>BAD</b> wolf	4	suliferance
2	<i>noon</i>	5	irighti
			and

### Brain Teaser

Answer quickly. Starting with an empty barrel, which happens first when filling with water?

- 2/3 full
- 1/4 empty
- 1/2 full
- 3/4 empty



### November Sudoku

		3	1		4	2		
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# GRAMMARTIME

## COMMONLY CONFUSED WORDS

<b>accept</b> (v.) to receive; to get	<b>except</b> not a part of; not including (conjunction)
<b>affect</b> (v.) to make a change in something	<b>effect</b> (n.) a change in something
<b>borrow</b> (v.) to take something for a short time and then return it	<b>lend</b> (v.) to give something for a short time before getting it back
<b>desert</b> (n.) a dry, sandy area	<b>dessert</b> (n.) sweet food eaten after a meal
<b>its</b> belonging to something (pos.pronoun)	<b>it's</b> contraction of <b>it + is</b> (contraction)
<b>your</b> belonging to you (pos.adj.)	<b>you're</b> contraction of <b>you + are</b> (contraction)

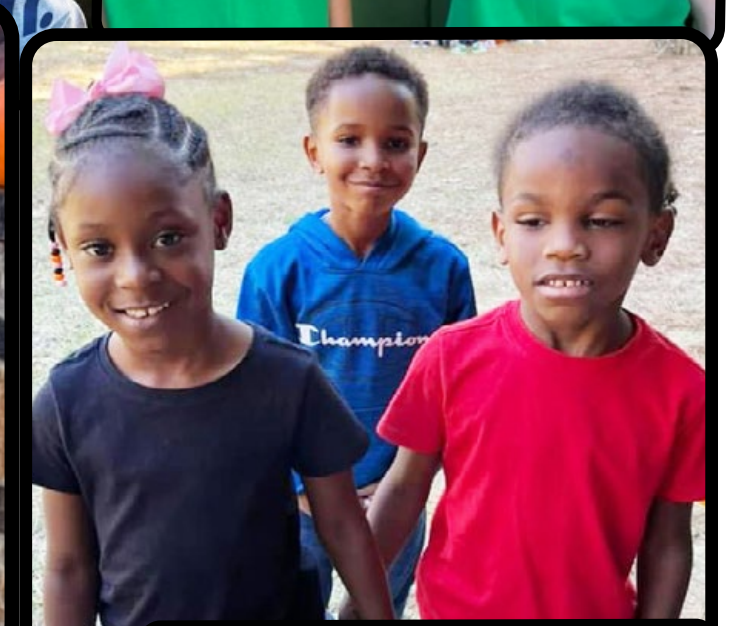
Use the correct words to complete the sentences.

1. I don't have enough money. I need to (**borrow / lend**) \_\_\_\_\_ ten dollars.
2. Would you like some (**desert / dessert**) \_\_\_\_\_ after dinner?
3. A: What time is it? B: (**Its / It's**) \_\_\_\_\_ almost eight o'clock.
4. I saw (**your / you're**) \_\_\_\_\_ brother at the shopping mall yesterday.
5. The Sahara (**desert / dessert**) \_\_\_\_\_ is a very hot and dry place.
6. (**Your / You're**) \_\_\_\_\_ late. What happened?
7. If you need more money, I can (**borrow / lend**) \_\_\_\_\_ you ten dollars.
8. I ate all the food (**accept / except**) \_\_\_\_\_ the broccoli.
9. The new rules had a big (**affect / effect**) \_\_\_\_\_ on the company workers.
10. My cat ate (**its / it's**) \_\_\_\_\_ food and then fell asleep.
11. You should say "Thank you" when you (**accept / except**) \_\_\_\_\_ a gift.
12. Will the rainy weather (**affect / effect**) \_\_\_\_\_ your travel plans?



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Memphis, TN  
age 7**



# RUNNERS UP



Ingrid Lammers | age 6  
Memphis, TN



Livia Abdu | age 8  
Lakeland, TN



Julia Richmond | age 9  
Collierville, TN



Mary Reid Hedgepeth | age 8  
Memphis, TN



Ella Eymard | age 8  
Memphis, TN



Ella Wade | age 10  
Germantown, TN



Elizabeth Yonchak | age 6  
Memphis, TN



Rylee Hudson | age 8  
Southaven, MS



Ella Scharr  
Memphis, TN

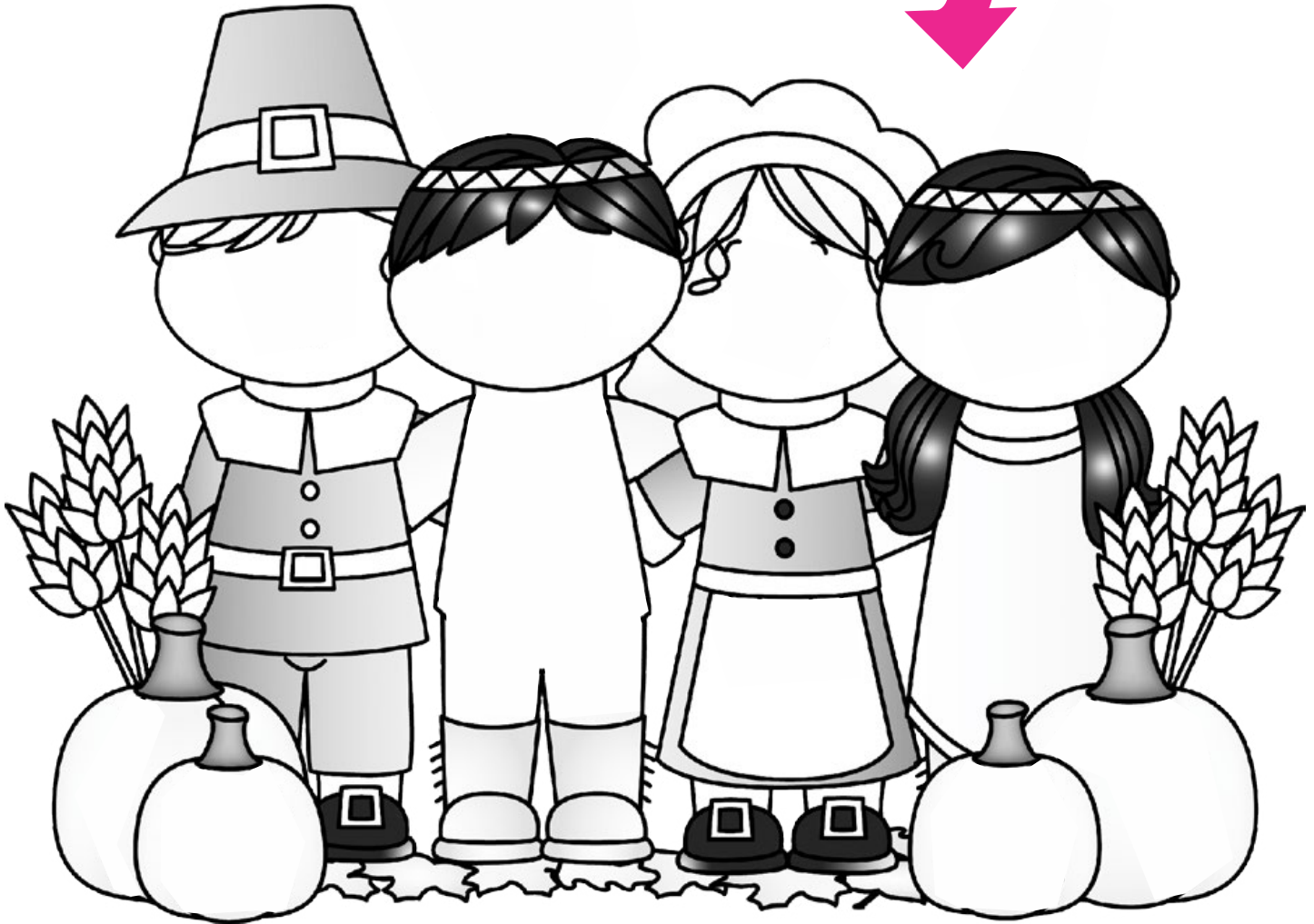
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1. LOUESCHHOOS
2. DIZAWR
3. THDORYO
4. UJNCCOTIONN
5. KCRO
6. WCHKITCDEW
7. JBAILUTSL
8. STWIRET

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ANSWERS: 1. SCHOOLHOUSE; 2. WIZARD,  
3. DOROTHY; 4. CONJUNCTION; 5. ROCK  
6. WICKED WITCH; 7. JUST A BILL; 8.  
TWISTER

# MATH MAZES

Find your way from top to bottom by following the path of correct answers.  
You can only exit a cell if the number matches the answer to the problem.

**LEVEL 1** START

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START **LEVEL 2**

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Answers on page 34

# WORD OF THE MONTH

compliment

noun

[ com·pli·ment ]

an expression of esteem, respect, affection, or admiration

*It is important to give your friends compliments.*

Use "compliment" in your own sentence:

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## ANSWERS

WORD PUZZLERS	
What do these word pictures represent?	
1	3
big bad wolf	search high and low
2	4
high noon	life insurance
	5
	right between the eye's (i's)

### Brain Teaser

3/4 empty:  
since 3/4  
empty  
means  
1/4 full.



### May Sudoku

7	8	3	1	5	4	2	9	6
9	1	2	6	8	7	4	3	5
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# MATH MAZES

## ANSWERS

### LEVEL 1

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### LEVEL 2

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# GRAMMARTIME ANSWERS

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<b>your</b> (pos.adj.)	belonging to you	<b>you're</b> (contraction)	contraction of <b>you + are</b>

Use the correct words to complete the sentences.

- I don't have enough money. I need to (**borrow / lend**) **BORROW** ten dollars.
- Would you like some (**desert / dessert**) **DESSERT** after dinner?
- A: What time is it? B: (**Its / It's**) **IT'S** almost eight o'clock.
- I saw (**your / you're**) **YOUR** brother at the shopping mall yesterday.
- The Sahara (**desert / dessert**) **DESERT** is a very hot and dry place.
- (**Your / You're**) **YOU'RE** late. What happened?
- If you need more money, I can (**borrow / lend**) **LEND** you ten dollars.
- I ate all the food (**accept / except**) **EXCEPT** the broccoli.
- The new rules had a big (**affect / effect**) **EFFECT** on the company workers.
- My cat ate (**its / it's**) **ITS** food and then fell asleep.
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