

ACTIVITY BOOK INSTRUCTIONS

Print out this packet single-sided

1. Follow our instructions to create 10 boredom-busting activities. You can mix, match, and repeat activities based on which you're best at!
2. The activity instructions are on the odd-numbered pages (left). The space on the even-numbered pages (right) are for you to create the activity for the child to complete.
3. Once you've created an activity on the right side, cut along the dotted line, removing the instructions on the left side.
4. When you've created 5-10 activities, staple them all together into a packet. Remember to include the activity book cover on the right side of this page. (Oh! And write your first name and state where you live on the cover.)

PRO TIPS!

Keep age in mind. A child receiving your activity book will probably be between first and fourth grade (ages 5-10), so make sure your activities are both easy (yet challenging!) enough for that age range.

Make it general-ish. You won't know the gender, interests, or exact age of the child completing your book. Make sure your activities would work well for anyone!

Make it fun! This is all about brightening a kid's day. Get creative and quirky with your activities so the kids can too!

AN ACTIVITY BOOK FOR YOU!

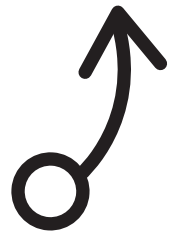
GAMES YOU CAN PLAY TO BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY.



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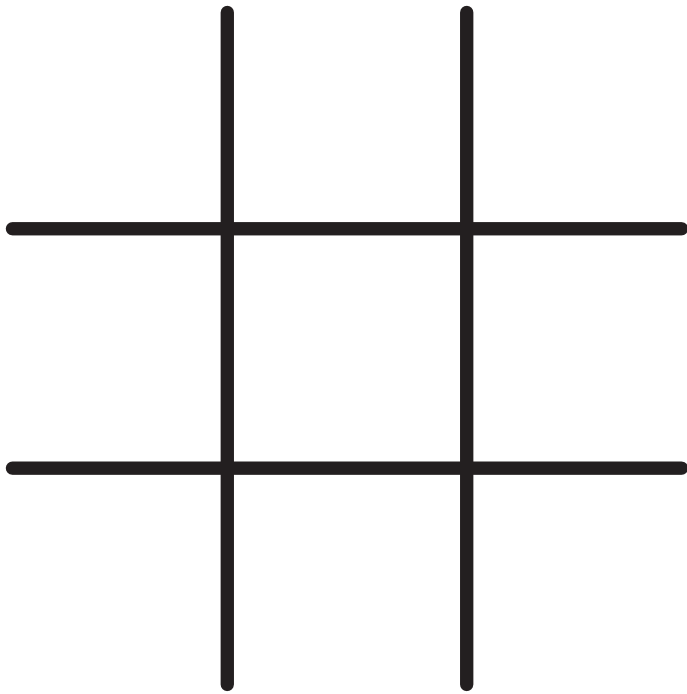


TIC-TAC-TOE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Draw four tic-tac-toe boards on your paper. Make them big enough to take up the whole page.

A tic-tac-toe board is just a giant #.
Each blank tic-tac-toe board should be about 2 inches long.
Use marker to make your lines nice and bold.

2. Decorate the page! Give it some personality with colors and designs.



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MAD LIBS INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write a 5-10 sentence story. (You can also Google “Sample Mad Libs” for examples.) *Be as creative as you want! If you’re stuck, use one of these prompts:*

A day in the life of a superhero

Earth’s first encounter with aliens

A kid who gets elected president

Your favorite scene from a TV show

2. When your story is done, remove one or two words from each sentence and replace them with a blank, followed by what part of speech (noun, adjective, verb, etc.) belongs in that blank.

Here’s an example:

I’d never had a pet until a _____ showed up at my
animal

door one day. At first he was _____, but then I fed
adjective

him some _____, and that made him really
noun

_____. I decided I’d name him _____.
adjective name

We even went out to _____ in the afternoon, and
verb

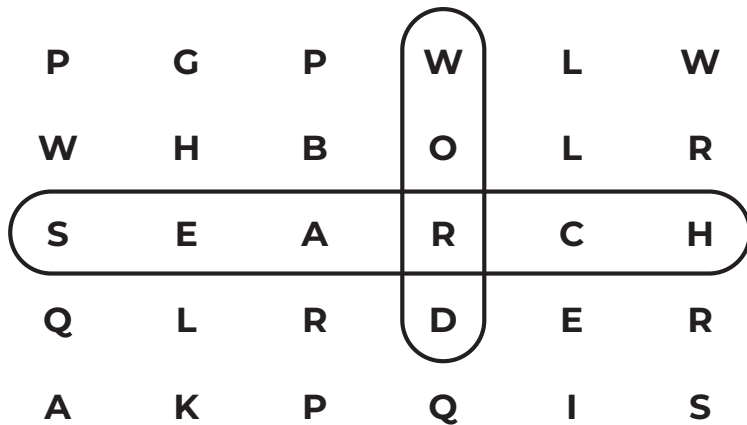
I bought him a brand new _____. It was the most
noun

_____ day of my life.
adjective

MAD LIBS

WORD SEARCH INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Pick a theme for your word search.** Some theme examples include: animals, sports, types of food, or outer space.
- 2. Pick 10-20 words that match your theme.** Words should be relatively short -- think 3-7 letters long.
- 3. Look up the spelling of the words.** You don't want to confuse the player with typos.
- 4. Write your words in the word bank.**
- 5. Write all of your words into the grid.** Try to evenly distribute them throughout. Put one letter in each box. Get creative with your placements. You can write the words forwards, diagonally, and vertically. Double check to make sure that all of the words you listed next to the grid are actually in the puzzle. It's confusing to look for a word in the word search that isn't actually there.
- 6. Fill in any blank boxes with random letters to complete the grid.**

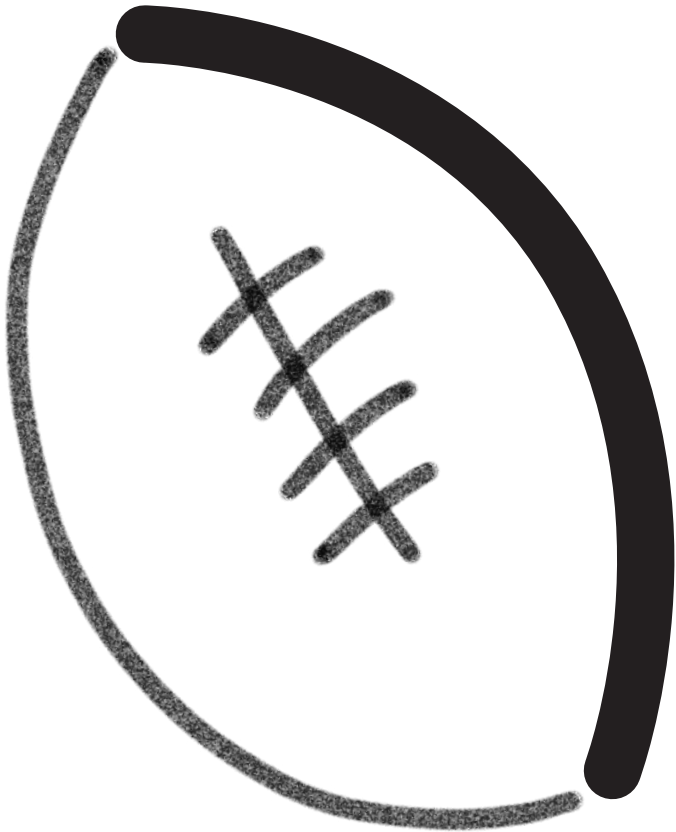


WORD SEARCH

WORD BANK									

FINISH THE PICTURE INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Draw a line, scribble, or doodle on a page.** Use one solid color. A child will be adding to whatever you draw, so make it clear and open-ended.



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COLORING PAGE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Find an easy-to-trace image online. (Or if you're an art superstar, you can draw yours by hand.)

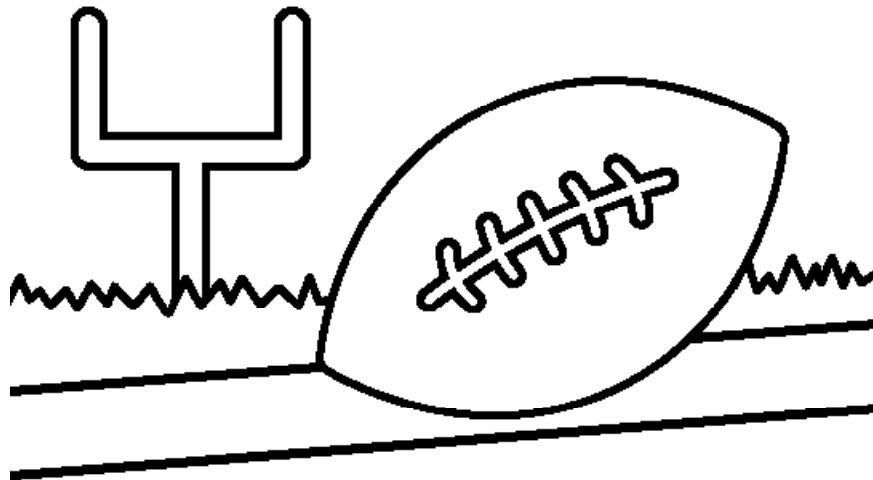
Go for something fun and simple — when in doubt, animals are always a safe bet. Search the name of the object + “clip art” or “cartoon” to get results that are easier to trace.

2. Trace the object using simple outlines (like you'd find in a coloring book). Only use black marker/pen.

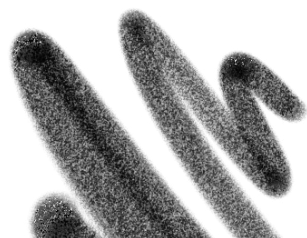
Mistakes happen. So use pencil first, then trace over with pen or marker. Use your phone/tablet/computer as a light box by taping a piece of paper over your screen and tracing away (or you can trace over a printed picture).

Try to take up the entire page so there isn't too much blank space, because that would just be...awkward.

Here's an example:



COLORING PAGE



TRIVIA PAGE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Pull at least five facts from this handy little list.

- The total weight of all the ants on Earth is nearly equal to the weight of all the humans on Earth.
- Snails take really long naps, some lasting as long as three years.
- Almonds are a member of the peach family.
- A lion's roar can be heard from 5 miles away.
- Polar bear fur is not white -- it's clear.
- The longest recorded time for someone having the hiccups is almost 70 years.
- The term "astronaut" comes from Greek words meaning "star" and "sailor."
- An average person will spend 1.5 years of their lifetime in the bathroom.
- The longest human beard ever recorded is more than 17 feet long.

2. You can make your questions multiple choice, fill in the blank, or true or false.

MULTIPLE CHOICE:

How many feet was the longest human beard ever recorded?

A. 2 B. 7 C. 17 D. 1,964

FILL IN THE BLANK:

The total weight of ants on Earth is about the same weight as all the _____ on Earth.

sand bees humans cars

TRUE OR FALSE:

True or False: A polar bear's fur is white.

3. Turn your paper so that the questions are upside down, and then fill in the answer key box. This way, when the paper is right side up,, the words in the answer key will be upside down.



ANSWER KEY