CHOIRS UP FORD DOWN Activity Book

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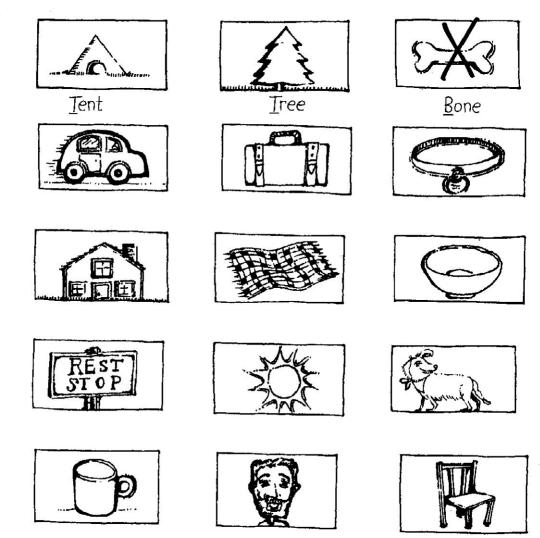
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Ears Up, Ears Down saw many different things during his journey.

Directions:

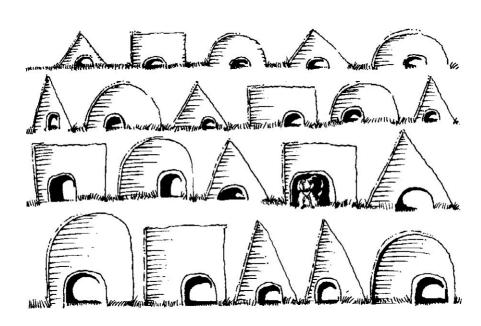
Put an X over the picture in each row that does not begin with the same letter as the other two pictures.

Example:



There were lots of tents at the campground that Ears Up, Ears Down visited. Color them in and figure out how many there are below.

Directions: Color I black tent, 2 red tents, 4 yellow tents, 4 green tents, 4 blue tents, and 6 brown tents of your choice.



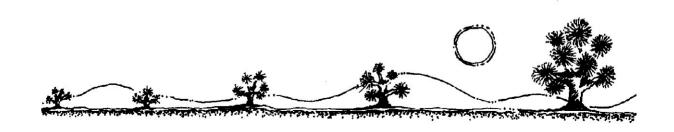
Directions:

Complete the addition equations to show how many tents there are.

2 green tents	black tent	3 brown tents
+ <u> red tent</u>	+ <u> red tent</u>	+ 3 yellow tents
blue tent	2 brown tents	3 blue tents
+	+ 2 green tents	+ <u>I yellow tent</u>

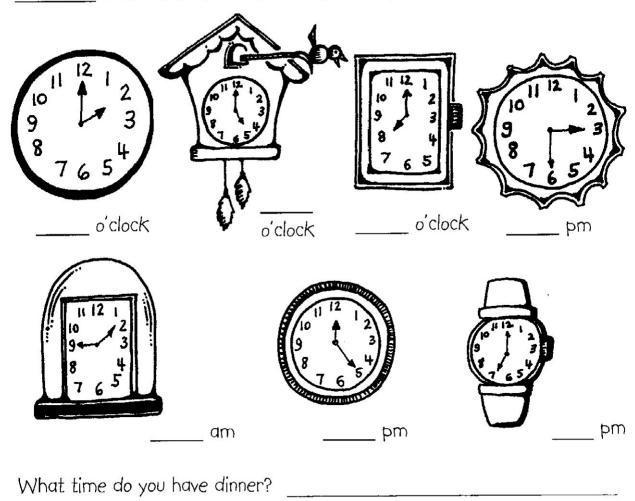
Ears Up, Ears Down was very happy when he found a new home with Ms. Grace. What do you think Ms. Grace's house looks like?

Directions: Draw Ms. Grace's house below.



Ears Up, Ears Down travelled for a long time before he found a new home.

Directions: Look at each clock and write the time.

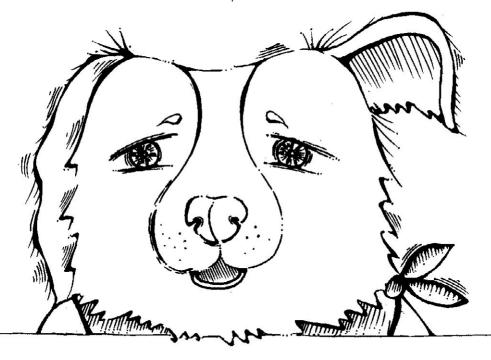


When is your bedtime?

What time do you leave for school in the morning?

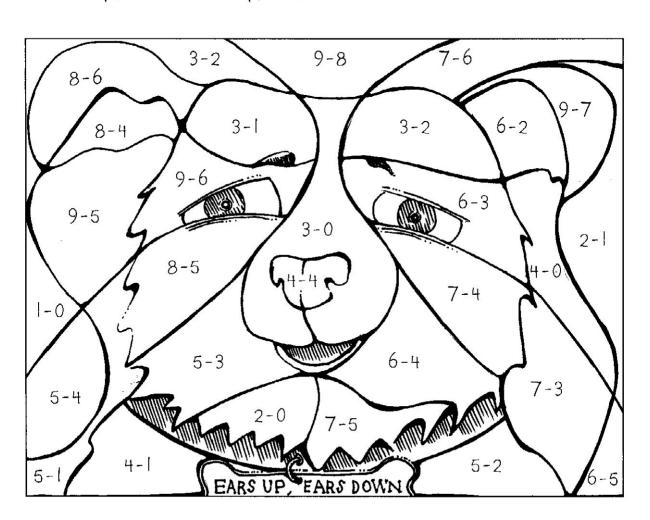
During his journey Ears Up, Ears Down learned about the challenges homeless children and adults face. He said goodbye to old friends and said hello to new ones.

<u>Directions</u>: How do you think Ears Up, Ears Down felt during his journey to find a new home? Share in the space below.



When he's happy Ears Up, Ears Down's ears stand tall.

Directions: Complete the subtraction sentences below. Use the code to color the picture of Ears Up, Ears Down.



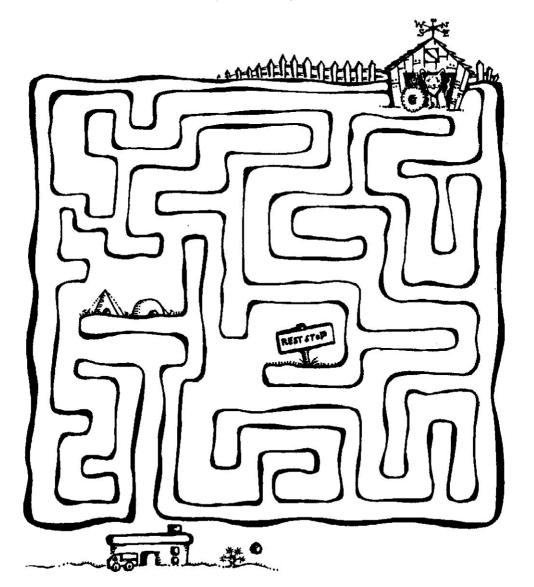
Code:

0 = Red = 1 = Green

2 = Brown 3 = Yellow 4 = Blue

Ears Up, Ears Down travelled far in search of a place to live.

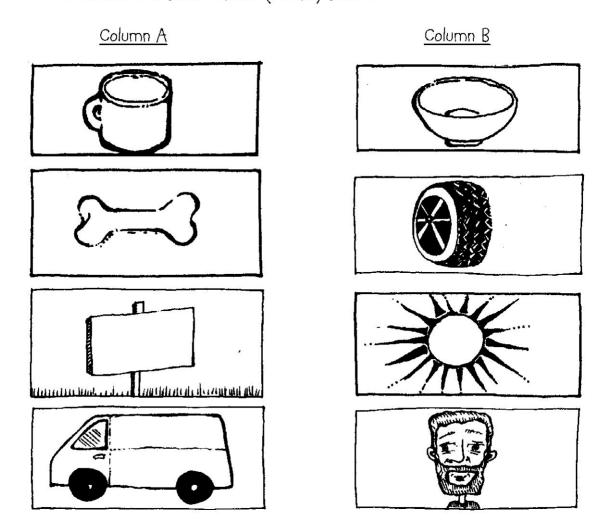
Directions: Follow the maze to help Ears Up, Ears Down find his new home.



Below are some more things that Ears Up, Ears Down saw on his journey.

Say the words sat and pat. They have the same middle (medial) sound /a/.

<u>Directions</u>: Draw a line from the pictures in Column A to the pictures in Column B that have the same middle (medial) sound.



Questions for Discussion

Why did Ears Up, Ears Down have to leave Jim's Junkyard? How did he feel?
Why?

What was Ears Up, Ears Down's reaction when he learned Brian and Emily lived in their parents' car?

How would it be to live in a car or in a tent at a campground?

While staying at the campground Ears Up, Ears Down wonders why there are so many homeless men, women, and children.

Why do you think there are so many people without a place to live?

Ms. Grace is very kind to Ears Up, Ears Down. What nice things does she do for him?

How can you or your family help others in your town?

Ears Up, Ears Down tells us that when he is happy, his ears stand up high, towards the sky, and when he's sad, they hang very low. Why do you think Ears Up, Ears Down keeps both his names, when he is happy at the end of the story?

<u>Vocabulary</u>

Banker	noun: a person who works for a bank
	example: "I met Mr. Walker, a banker, whose bank had closed."
Campground	noun: an area such as a field used for a camp; sometimes called a tent city
	example: "After a few hours we came to a campground."
Carpenter /	noun: a worker who builds houses or furniture
	example: "I met Keith, a carpenter, who had no work because no houses were being built."
Chef	noun: a skilled cook who makes the menu and food at a restaurant or cafeteria
	example: "And I met Ms. Robinson, a chef, whose restaurant had closed."
Foreclosed	noun: to take back because the owner can't pay for it
	example: "It said 'FORECLOSED'."
Healthy	adjective: something that is good for your body and mind example: "They visit the camp every day to give everyone a healthy breakfast," Ms. Robinson said."

Homeless / adject

<u>adjective</u>: a person or a pet without a house or apartment to live in

example: "Then you are homeless like us,' said Emily."

Journey

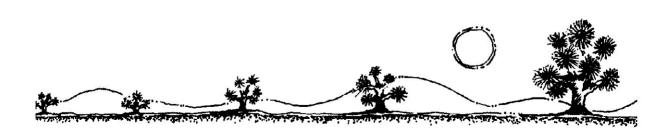
noun: going from one place to another example: "It's about a journey I took, the lessons I learned, and how I got my name."

Junkyard

noun: a place where unwanted items are collected and stored before being thrown away, reused or recycled example: "From the time I was a puppy I lived and worked at Jim's Junkyard."

Lessons

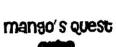
noun: things you learn by seeing or experiencing example: "It's about a journey I took, the lessons I learned, and how I got my name."

















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Along his journey to find a new home, the adventurous dog Ears Up, Ears Down makes new friends and explores different places.

Complete the activities to learn, just like he did!

