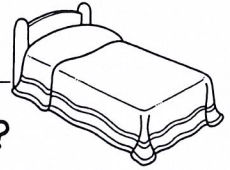


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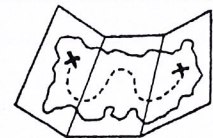
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1. What did you learn about Jeremy Jacob's bedtime routine?

2. Jeremy Jacob wanted to be a pirate forever! Or did he?
What happened to make him change his mind?

3. Where did the pirates bury their treasure?



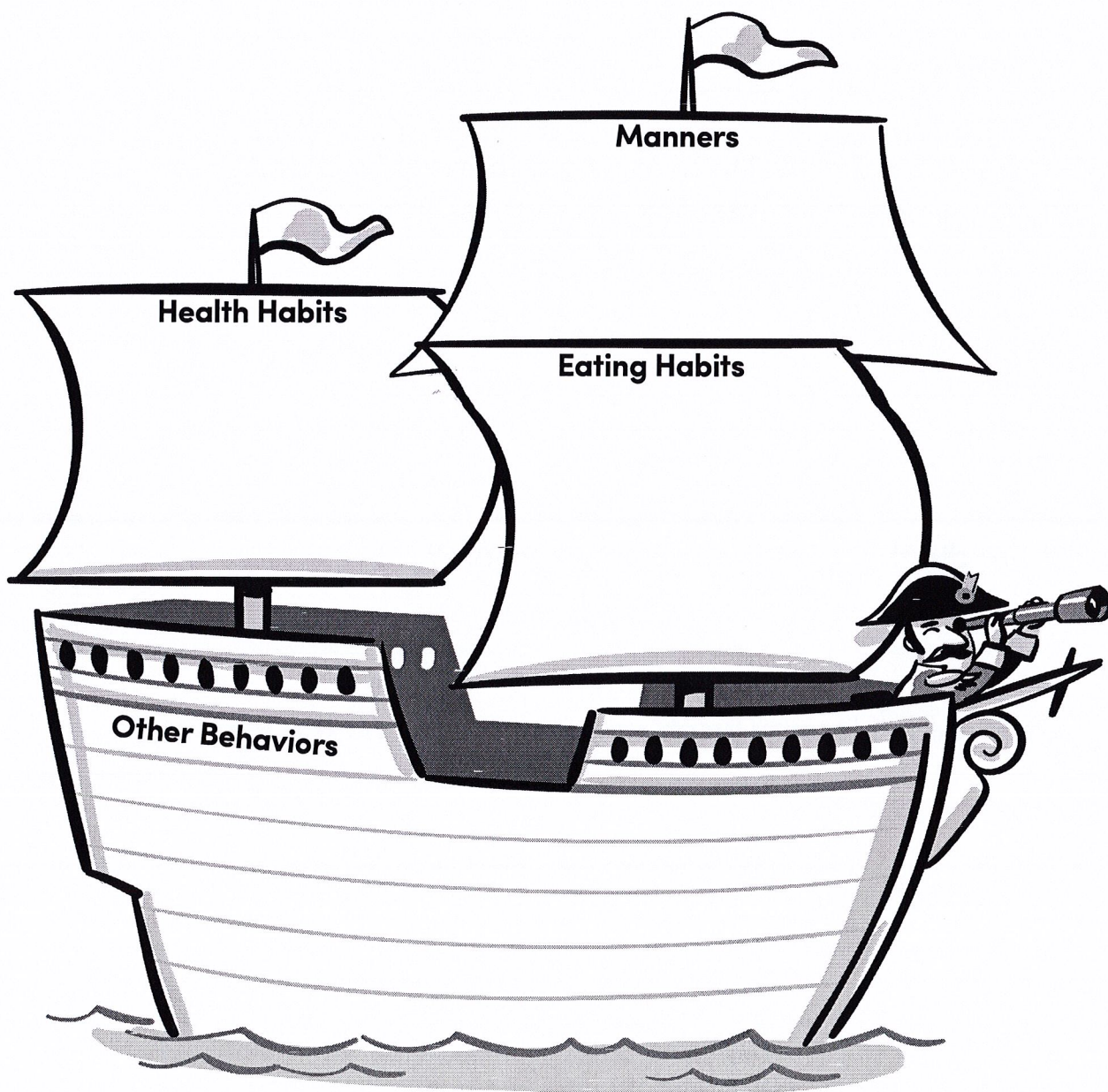
4. Why wouldn't Jeremy Jacob need a map to find the treasure?

5. What surprised you at the end of the story? Explain why.

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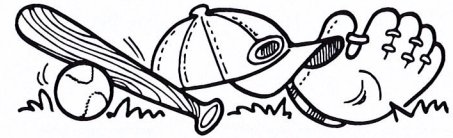
Think about the pirates in the story. Did they have healthy habits? What kind of manners did they have? How did they talk, sleep, eat, and behave? Write at least one thing that you learned about the pirates on each sail and on the ship.



Girl Wonder: A Baseball Story in Nine Innings

by Deborah Hopkinson • pictures by Terry Widener

A *cause* is what makes an event happen. The event that happens is an *effect*. Complete the chart below to show causes and effects in the story of Alta Weiss. Go back to the text to help find the answers.

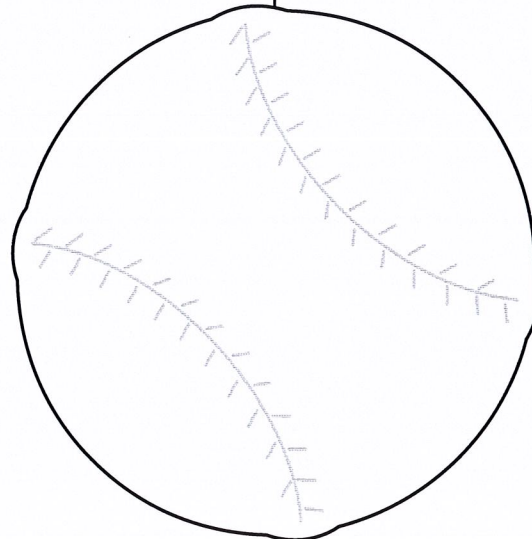
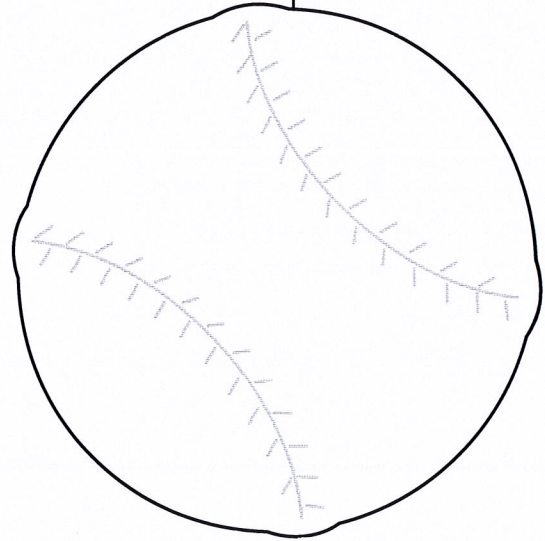
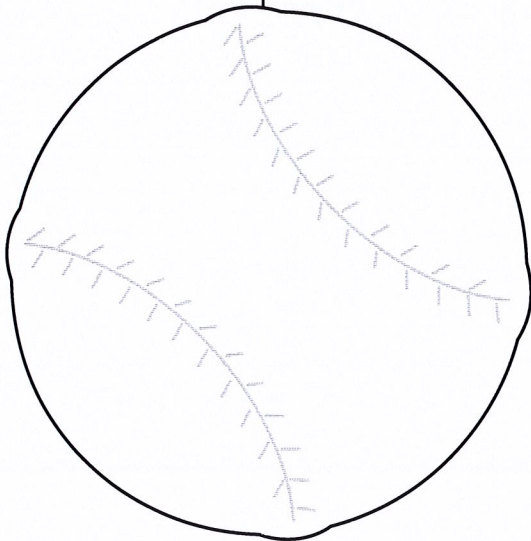
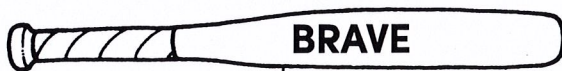


CAUSES	EFFECTS
	At first, the Independents' coach told Alta to go home.
People would be curious to see a girl play baseball.	
	The crowd "explodes with cheers."
Fans from far away want to see Alta play.	

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Below are words that describe Alta Weiss. Fill in the organizers with evidence from the book that proves they are true. Find things Alta does that show each trait.



The Lion's Share

by Matthew McElligott

Choose two characters from the box. Describe each one below.
Use the text and pictures from the book to help you.

Characters

ant
gorilla
lion
elephant
hippo
warthog

Character: _____

Description:

Character: _____

Description:

Name two characters from the story that were generous. Give examples of what the character did or said to indicate that he or she was generous.

I think _____ was generous because _____

I think _____ was generous because _____

The other animals offered to make twice as many cakes as the animal before.
Were they being generous? Why or why not?

The Lion's Share

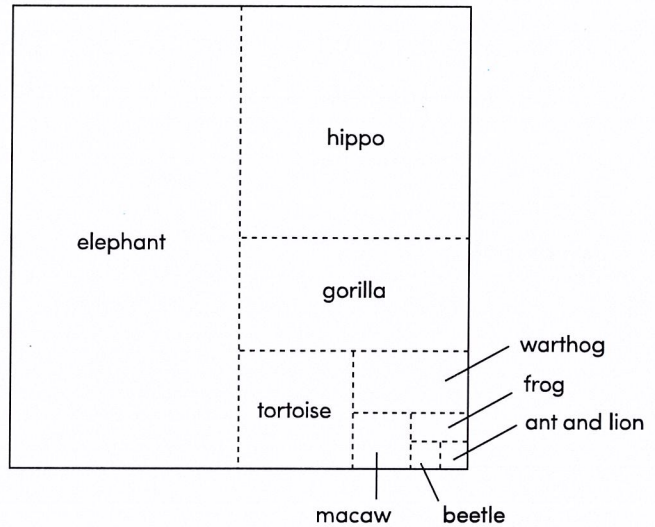
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This diagram shows what portion of the cake each animal got.

What happened to the cake as each piece was cut in half?

What problem did ant have with her piece?

How did the ant solve her problem?

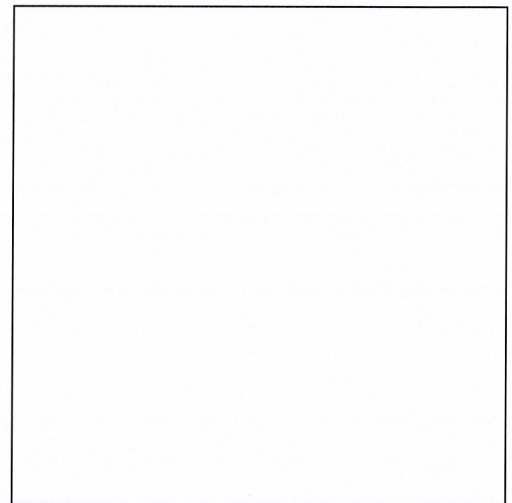


Fair for All

Cut the cake to the right into same-size pieces for lion and each of his guests.
Draw lines to show your method.

How many pieces will you need to cut? _____

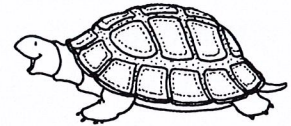
Explain why your method is a more fair way for the animals to share the cake.



One Cool Friend

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What clues in the book make you think that Elliot's father liked tortoises? Hint: Look closely at the pictures!

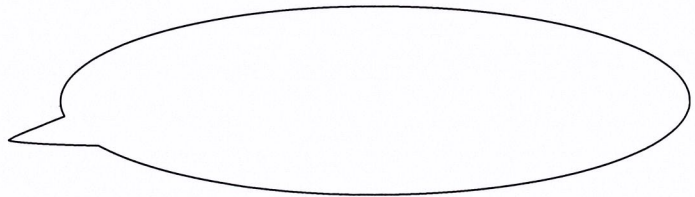


Who is Captain Cook in this story? _____

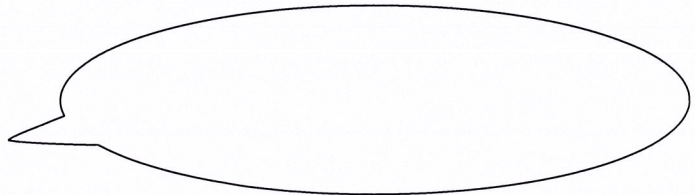
Were you surprised to learn this? Why or why not? _____

If Magellan could speak, what do you think he might have said in each situation? Write your thoughts in the speech bubbles.

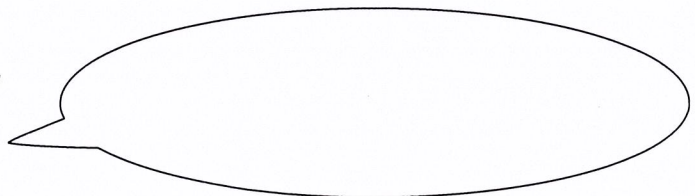
While riding in Elliot's backpack,
Magellan might have said,



As he helped get the ice upstairs,
Magellan might have said,



While getting dried after his bath,
Magellan might have said,



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What are some things that you learned about Elliot and his father? Think about how each of them looks and what he does. Fill in the web for each person. Use the book to help you.

The image shows two identical character web templates side-by-side, separated by a vertical line. Each web consists of a central oval connected to four empty circles. The left web is labeled 'Elliot' in its central oval, and the right web is labeled 'Elliot's Father' in its central oval.

Write a paragraph to compare Elliot and his father. Explain how they are alike and different. Use information from the character webs above and from the story.

Four horizontal lines provided for writing a paragraph.

Lucky Beans

by Becky Birtha illustrated by Nicole Tadgell

Marshall is the main character in *Lucky Beans*. What kind of person is he? You can figure out what the character is like by paying attention to what he says and does.

Adjectives are words that describe a person, place, or thing. Choose three adjectives from the Word Bank that describe Marshall. Then list an example from the story that shows *why* each adjective fits Marshall. For instance, if you choose "helpful," you should write a way that Marshall helped someone.

WORD BANK

smart	rude	loving
kind	helpful	wild
funny	mean	bold

Adjective	Why I Chose It
1.	
2.	
3.	

Write About It

Use the information you gathered above to write a paragraph about Marshall. Describe what he is like and why you describe him that way.

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Blast from the Past

This book is set during the Great Depression of the 1930s. But the text does not say this until the very last page. Look back through the book. What clues in the text and the pictures tell you that you are reading a story set many years ago? List as many as you can find.

Page number _____ Clue: _____

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What's the Difference?

Imagine this story took place today. Write a few sentences telling how details in the story and pictures would be different.
