

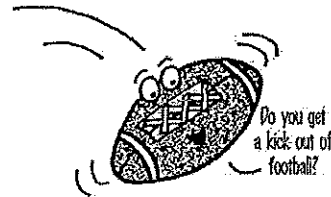
**MONDAY** WEEK 1

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**LANGUAGE PRACTICE**

1. Circle letters that should be capitalized.  
**national football league player walter payton ran more than 16,000 yards in his 13-year career with the chicago bears.**
2. What literary term matches this definition?  
 a series of events related to the action of a story  
 \_\_\_\_\_
3. Circle the prefixes that mean **not**.  
**atypical imperfect nonsense expel**  
**inactive disapprove illegible unfair**
4. Which sentence is complete?  
 a. Although the World Cup tournament is held every four years.  
 b. Soccer is the most popular sport in the world.  
 c. The only soccer player allowed to handle the ball

5. Which statements are opinions?  
 a. A golf ball has more than 400 dimples.  
 b. Ice dancing is more pleasant to watch than ice hockey.  
 c. Racquetball is the most physically demanding racquet sport.  
 d. A football field is 100 yards long without the end zones.  
 e. A basketball player cannot score more than three points with any one successful basket attempt.

**TUESDAY** WEEK 1

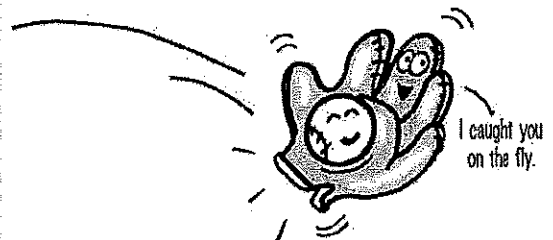
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**LANGUAGE PRACTICE**

1. What part of speech is the word **fly**?  
**The crowd cheered when Gracie caught the fly ball.**  
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2. What is the most precise word for the sentence?  
**When Max, the team's best player, chose to skip the big game, his teammates were \_\_\_\_\_.**  
☐ amused      ☐ bothered      ☐ irate
3. Number the words in alphabetical order.  
 \_\_\_ **service**      \_\_\_ **score**      \_\_\_ **scoring**  
 \_\_\_ **scoreboard**      \_\_\_ **serve**      \_\_\_ **scored**
4. Circle the words which are synonyms for **indignant**.  
**peevied      detached      autonomous**  
**indecent      piqued      incensed**

5. Add correct punctuation to the sentences.  
 Circle words that should be capitalized.

**when the new york yankees  
 headed for california they  
 flew out of the john f kennedy  
 airport did they fly over the  
 grand canyon or the rocky  
 mountains on their way**



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1. Identify the rhyme pattern in the poem.

- ☐ abcd  
☐ abab  
☐ abcb  
☐ aabb



Throw, throw, throw the ball  
 Toward the catcher's mitt.  
 Let the umpire make a call,  
 And hope it's not a hit!

2. Circle the correctly spelled words.

greif reign sleigh conciet beleive

3. What is the meaning of the bolded word?

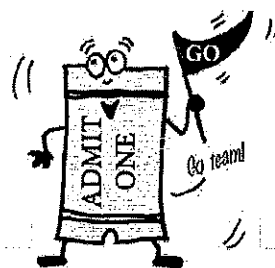
I heard this game has been sold out for weeks, so how did you manage to **procure** seven tickets today?

4. Which sentences use **who** correctly?

- a. To who should I give these tickets?  
 b. She's the one who bought the tickets.  
 c. Who is the player on third base?  
 d. For who are you saving this seat?

5. Circle the sentence that is out of sequence.

At the beginning of the second quarter, the Comets were behind by seven points. Abe scored six points in the third quarter to give the lead to the Comets. By half-time, the score was tied. The Grizzlies pulled ahead by eleven points in the fourth quarter.



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1. Add the correct ending punctuation.

**Watch out for that golf ball**

2. An alphabetical list at the end of a book that helps locate information in the book is

- ☐ a bibliography      ☐ a table of contents  
☐ an index              ☐ a preface

3. Circle the complete subject.

**Jackie, wearing number ten, dribbled the ball all the way down the court.**

4. What is the meaning of the word **morose**?

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5. Cross out the unnecessary words in this passage.

**In my opinion, i think the game was a disaster. The two 16-year old teenage quarterbacks could share a prize for the worst, most awful plays of the night. I am sorry that i spent seven dollars for the ticket. I feel my money was wasted. Hopefully, i wish for a better game next week.**



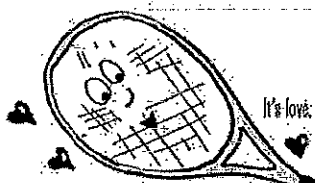
## FRIDAY WEEK 1

## LANGUAGE PRACTICE

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**Read:**

1. Identify the genre (type of writing) for each example.
2. What is the main idea in passage F?
3. Circle an example of hyperbole.
4. Which examples are expository?
5. What is the tennis coach's name?



A.

Fifteen-year old Sam Garfus stunned a sold-out crowd at the state high school tennis championships yesterday. It was a surprise when the young player won straight sets to beat top-ranked players. The modest freshman explained that some lucky orange socks helped him win, but tennis pros around the state credit the victory to his outstanding skills.

B.

Sam: Why does Coach Stringer wear earplugs to every game?

Dan: Because he can't stand all the racket.

D.

In the game of tennis, two or four people play on a court that is divided by a low net. The players use racquets to hit a ball back and forth over the net. A point is scored when the ball bounces inside the boundaries of the court without being returned by another player.

C.

The tennis matches started at 8 a.m. By 10 o'clock, the weather was so hot that the rubber was melting off the tennis balls, and the referee's nose had burst into flames twice. Nevertheless, Sam Garfus was playing his hottest game. Each time he hit a shot, he leaped 12 feet into the air and sent the ball above the clouds. In just under 45 seconds, he had won the tournament.

E.

A young tennis player named Sam  
Smacked ten balls, each time yelling, "Wham!"

\_\_\_\_\_

The crowd chanted his name.

\_\_\_\_\_

F.

Dear Grandma,  
Guess what? I won the state high school single's tennis championship yesterday! I am sure those orange socks helped me win. Thanks for knitting them for me. They were just as lucky as you said they would be.

Love ya,  
Sam

**Write:**

1. Write a headline for example A.
2. Write a title for example C.
3. Write the missing lines for the limerick E.





## MONDAY WEEK 3

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## LANGUAGE PRACTICE

1. A story begins like this:

I have the honor of being the man with the world's longest beard. Let me tell you how I came to have this much hair on my chin.

What is the point of view?

\_\_\_\_\_



Do you  
get the  
point?

Imagine having the longest fingernails in the world! Lee Redmond, of the USA, has not cut her nails since 1979. The total length of all ten nails is 24 feet, 7.8 inches. She doesn't bite them; she won't sell them; and she only trims them occasionally. She claims they do not complicate her life much. It's safe to say, she is happy with this unusual characteristic.

2. Does this sentence use an apostrophe correctly?  
That girl's fingernails are long enough to set a record.
3. Which word means **to cause to feel terror**?
- ☐ terrible                      ☐ terrify  
☐ terrific                        ☐ terrorism
4. Circle the correct word to complete the sentence.  
Excited fans, eager to watch the marathon, (line, lines) up early to buy their tickets.

5. Does the author have enough information to draw the conclusion written in the last sentence?

## TUESDAY WEEK 3

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## LANGUAGE PRACTICE

1. Rewrite the sentence to show more action.  
With 13 balanced spoons, Jonathan Friedman is the world record-holder for balancing spoons on his face.

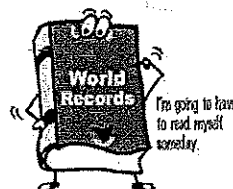
2. A record-holding juggler was showing off to his friends by juggling 20 kitchen utensils.

Was he **flaunting** or **flouting** his skills?

3. Which key word or phrase is best to use for an encyclopedia search for the world's longest tunnel?

tunnel                      length                      world  
manmade                  structures                  longest

4. Correct the spelling of any misspelled words.  
lafter    ghastly    chemist    jiant  
gnome    riggle    shure    skwirt



World  
Records

I'm going to have  
to read myself  
someday.

5. Choose and circle the correct word for each sentence.

- a. (**Anyway, Anyways**), I can't believe you balanced all those spoons.
- b. I found some broken plates (**beside, besides**) the juggler's van.
- c. What's the difference (**between, among**) juggling balls or plates?
- d. Who holds the record for (**setting, sitting**) in a tree the longest?

1. What is the meaning of this sentence?

While Kate has been doing that project, she has been burning the candle at both ends.

2. Insert the correct punctuation.

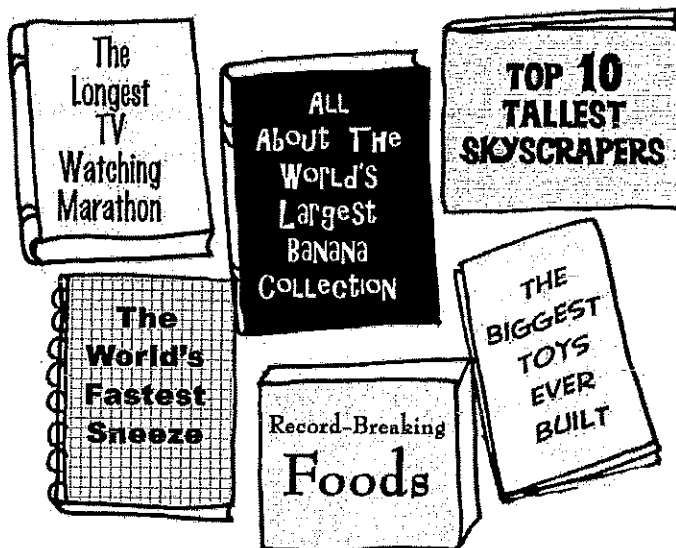
So my question is this Did you know that the longest tongue in the world measures 3.7 inches and belongs to Stephen Taylor (UK)?

3. Write a possessive phrase meaning **the peel of one banana**.

4. To which sense does this description appeal most strongly?

The bubble-blowing championship was a melodious chorus of smacking and cracking, rhythmically swaying with whooshes and hisses, and pleasantly punctuated by regular pops!

5. Max got these books at the library. Examine the titles. What can you infer about Max's interests?



1. Correctly spell the plural of each word.

monkey    box    record  
hoof    penny    painful

2. Circle the word that does not belong.

waffle    heiress    pneumonia  
gnome    knight    kneel

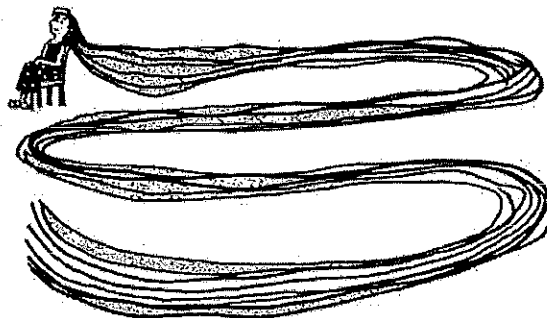
3. Circle the verbs that are in past tense.

swam    juggle    broke  
argued    leapt    rise

4. Which reference source is a dictionary of geographical terms and places?

☐ almanac    ☐ periodical  
☐ atlas    ☐ gazetteer  
☐ thesaurus    ☐ quotation index

5. Write a caption for this picture of Tanya, the person with the longest hair in the state. Add any details or facts you wish to the description.




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**FRIDAY** WEEK 3**LANGUAGE PRACTICE**

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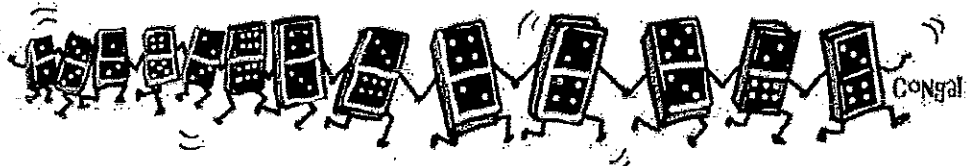
**Read**

1. How many of the records were set in the 20th century?
2. How many records were not set in North America?
3. If the snowball fighters joined the musical chair players, how large would the group be?
4. How many groups had fewer participants than the group hug?
5. Which event do you suppose took up the most space or distance?

**It Takes A Group**

| Record                         | Date          | Location       | Number of Participants |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Longest Human Chain            | Aug 23, 1989  | Eastern Europe | 2,000,000              |
| Largest Group Hug              | Apr 23, 2004  | Canada         | 5,117                  |
| Largest Circle Dance           | May 6, 1995   | UK             | 6,748                  |
| Largest Dog Walk               | Jun 22, 2003  | UK             | 4,372                  |
| Largest Snowball Fight         | Jan 18, 2003  | Switzerland    | 2,473                  |
| Largest Pajama-Sleepover Party | Feb 1, 2003   | Virginia       | 1,045                  |
| Largest Game of Musical Chairs | Aug 5, 1989   | Singapore      | 8,238                  |
| Longest Human Domino Line      | Sept 30, 2000 | Singapore      | 9,234                  |

Day 10

**Write**

Think of yourself as a radio reporter covering one of the record-setting events above. Write a brief report that you will give, describing the event to your audience. Use your imagination to elaborate on what you think it might be like to watch the event.

