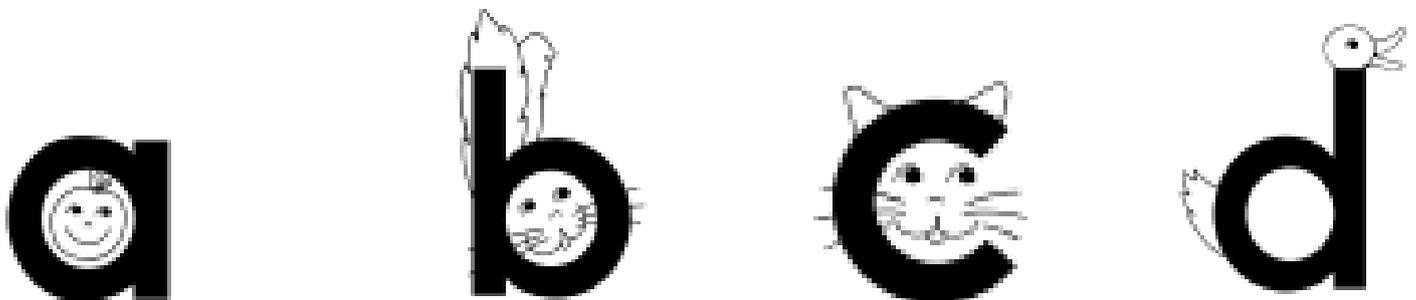




Exploring Letterland A-D



Annie Apple's



Letter Land WordSearch

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L	I	R	A	O	N	B	U	A	D	P	N	R	V
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AMBULANCE
BOUNCY BEN
BALL
CITY
BIKE
APPLE PIE
COLOR
CAR
ANNIE APPLE
BARK
CLEVER CAT
DARKNESS
DAWN
DOG
ANIMALS
DIPPY DUCK

Letterland Explorers are experts at finding hidden words. Use the skills you have learned so far to identify each word in the wordsearch.

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BRAVE

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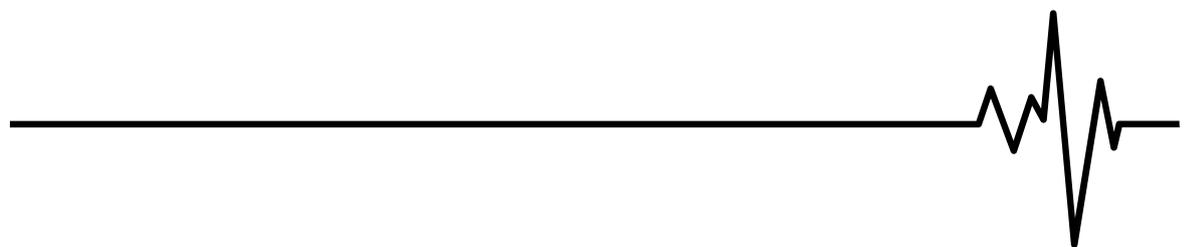
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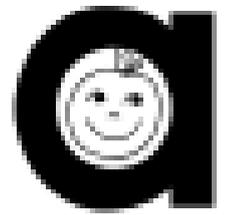
All good Letterland Explorers know that to stay healthy it is important to eat a variety of colorful fruits and vegetables everyday. Walk around the local farmers market , a local garden or grocery store to find one fruit or vegetable for each of the colors listed below.



Color	List the Fruit or Vegetable
Red	
Blue/Purple	
Yellow/Orange	
Green	
White	



Annie Apple's Adventure to explore the local airport



At the Airport

If you've ever taken an airplane trip anywhere, you know that you can spend what seems like an eternity waiting at the airport. So what can you do with that time? Try playing this fun game that will get your child using her imagination as she pretends she's someone else traveling at the airport. Ask questions about where she's from and what her name is, and she has to come up with answers on the spot! It's a fun waiting game, and is sure to bring laughs and some creative answers!

What You Need:

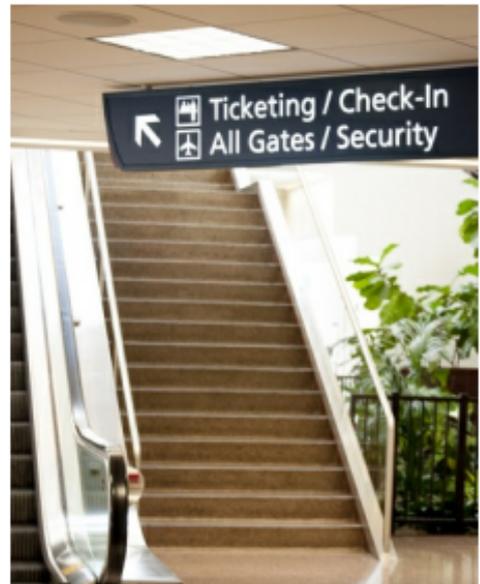
- At least two players
- A good imagination

What You Do:

1. Players pretend they are sitting on an airplane, flying by themselves. One person turns to the other and introduces herself, and asks the other person a question. It can be anything from, "What's your name?" to "Do you have a pet billy goat where you live?" The more ridiculous the questions, the sillier the game becomes!

Sample questions:

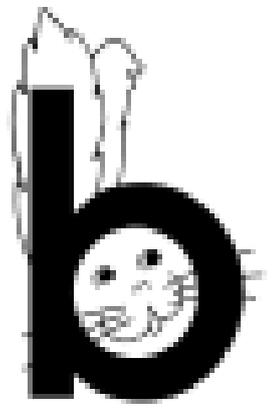
- What is your name?
 - What country are you from?
 - Where are you going?
 - Who are you visiting?
 - How old are you?
 - What is the weather like where you live?
2. The person will answer the question based on the first thought that pops into her head. Since she has no idea what the other person is going to ask her, she has to make up an answer on the spot!
 3. Then, ask the other player a question. As each question gets answered, the different characters appear as if by magic.
 4. Each person should answer at least ten questions. This gives each character a chance to grow and each player a chance to relax as the spotlight falls on the next person.
 5. To end the game, announce that the plane is landing and all characters must say goodbye to each other and be on their way. This is a fun, creative game that will keep your child on her toes and her sides in stitches. She might not even remember that you're stuck waiting for your plane!



Check out information about our local airport here:

<https://www.ci.hutchinson.mn.us/departmentsfacilities/public-works/operations-maintenance/airport/>

Be Well with Bouncy Ben



Being knowledgeable about fruits and vegetables is important if you want to be a good explorer. Knowing the vegetable ABC's is a good place to start. Write the name of one fruit or vegetable next to each letter of the alphabet.







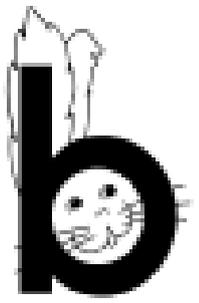




Creativity is intelligence
having fun.

ALBERT EINSTEIN

Bouncy Ben's Bouncy Egg



Design Challenge: Glowing Bouncy Egg

Guide your child through a fun science experiment that allows them to observe the changes to an egg after it soaks in vinegar for a few days. At the end of this activity, your child should have transformed their egg into a glowing, bouncy "ball" that they can play with!

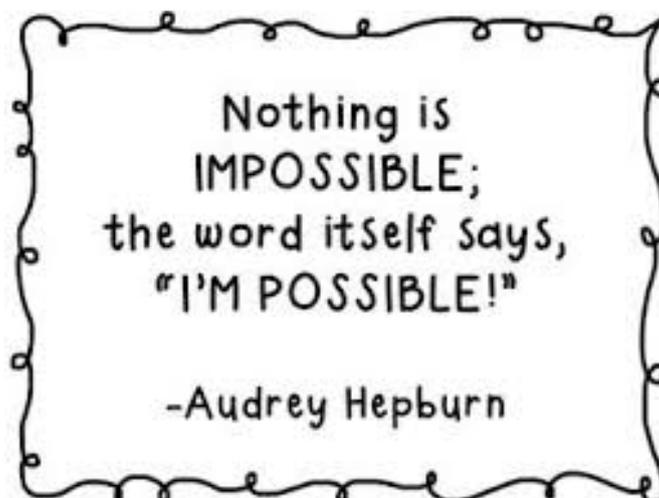
What You Need:

- One raw egg
- White vinegar
- A highlighter or Vitamin B-50 capsules (to stain the egg with color)
- A cup (ideally a clear one)
- Optional: A blacklight to visualize the egg's glow-in-the-dark capabilities at the end

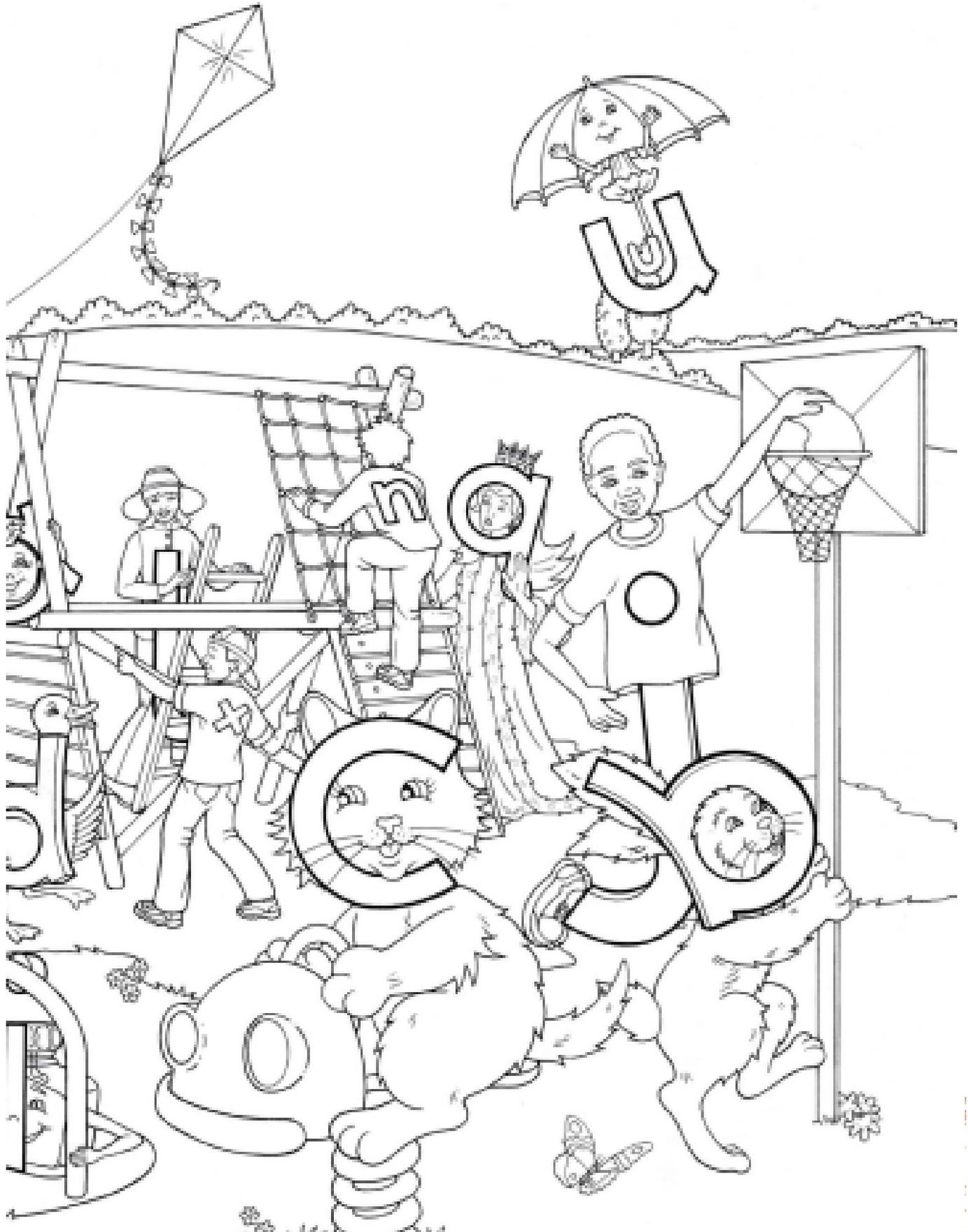


What You Do:

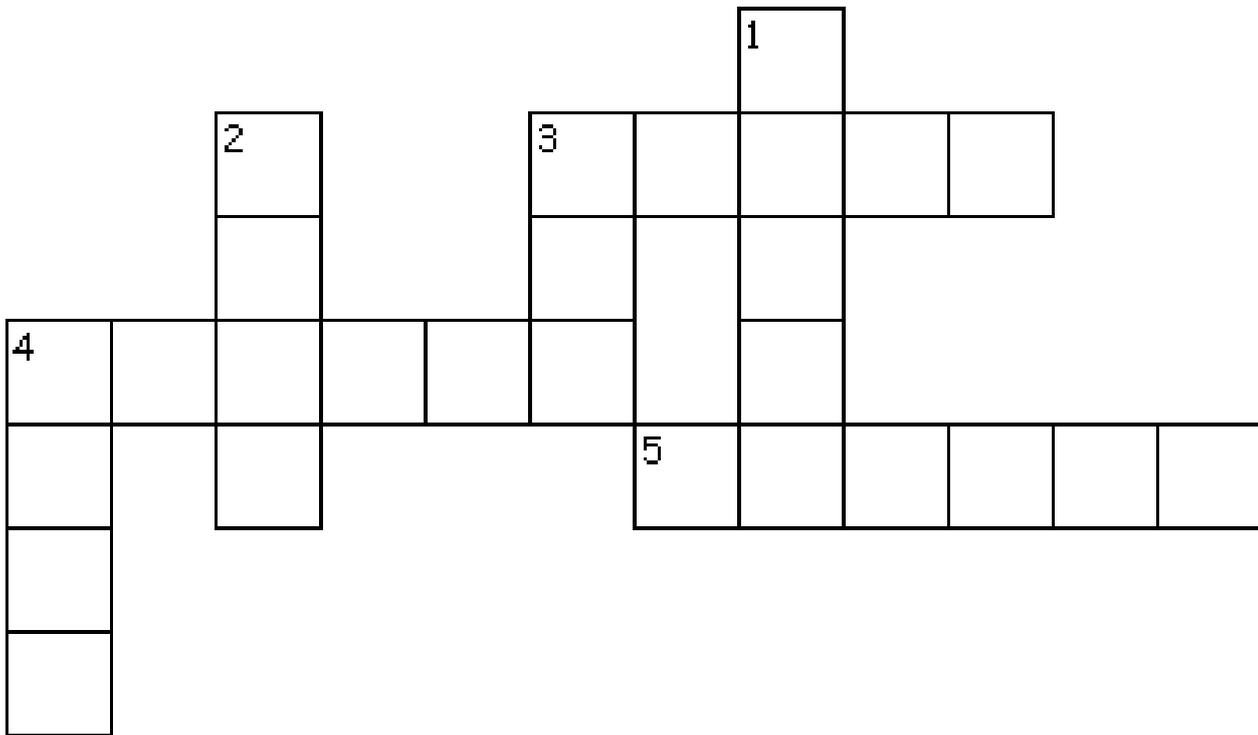
1. First, explain the prompt to your child. Show them the materials and tell them that their job is to use what you're giving to transform their egg into a glowing, bouncy ball.
2. Rather than immediately telling your child the step-by-step procedure, ask them if they have any ideas as to how they will complete this challenge. Some questions you can ask your child to guide them:
 - a. What do you think the vinegar will be used for? What are some properties of vinegar? (Answer: Explain that vinegar has a property called acidity, which is what gives it a bitter taste.)
 - b. Since vinegar is acidic, that means it is strong enough to dissolve some things. Do you think it can dissolve any part of the egg? (Answer: The vinegar will dissolve the egg's shell.)
 - c. What do you think the highlighter (or vitamin capsules) will do to the egg? (Answer: It will transfer its color onto the egg.)
3. After you and your child have worked together to brainstorm methods to use the materials, you can start explaining the step-by-step procedure. Be sure to ask your child why they think each step of the process is necessary so that they develop a conceptual understanding of what they're doing.



Coloring with Clever Cat



Clever Cat's Crossword Puzzle



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a tool to track time.

an orange colored vegetable that grows in the ground.

a home where a king and queen live.

n

a warm drink that is yummy when it is cold outside.

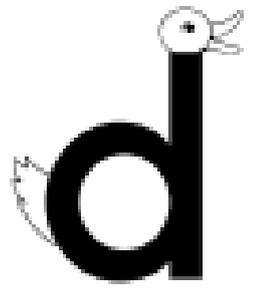
a type of food that grows tall during the summer and is harvested in

a type of animal that purrs.

a type of round currency.

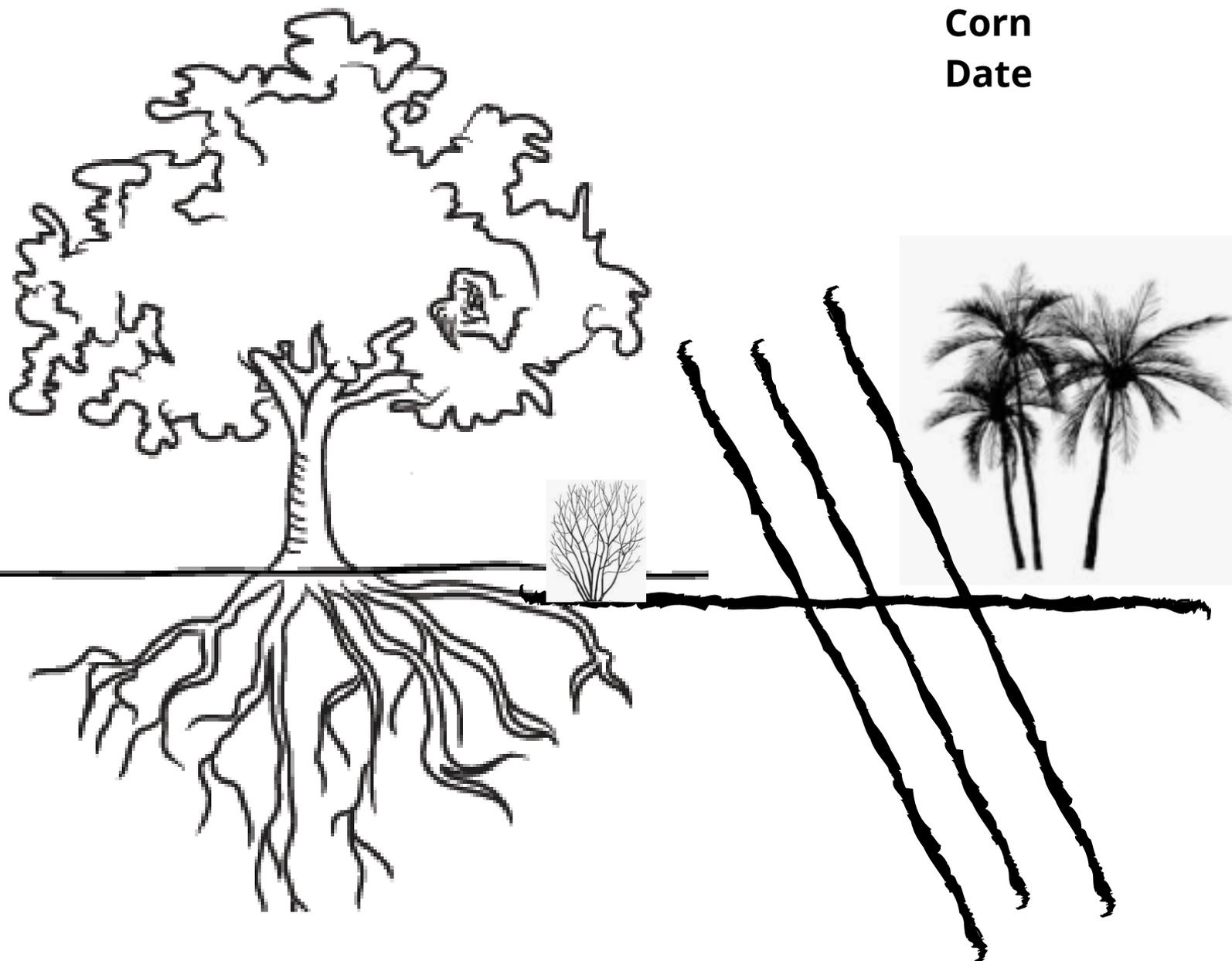
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Dippy Duck asks "where does it grow?"

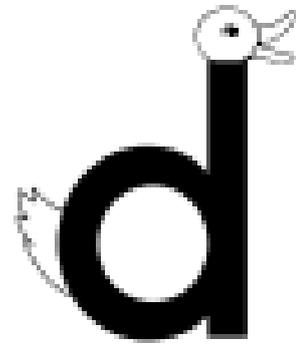


Explorers need to know where to find their suspects. Knowing where a plant lives is the first step in finding it. Draw each of the following fruits and vegetables in the proper location in the image below.

- Apple**
- Beet**
- Blueberry**
- Corn**
- Date**



Dippy Duck and the suspect...



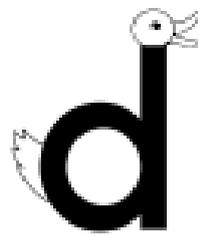
Sketch the Suspect

There has been a strange character hanging around the city library. We have a few descriptions, but no one has taken a picture of it. Please draw a picture of the suspect and identify the character using the description below.



The suspect is tall, and has a round belly. It has a beak and tail.

Make a Dippy Duck Duct Tape Sculpture



Duct Tape Sculpture

Duct tape already fixes most household problems. Now it fixes the "I'm bored"s with a starring role in this quick, low-mess arts and crafts project: duct tape sculptures!

What You Need:

- Duct tape, various colors
- Old newspaper pages
- Aluminum foil
- Scissors
- Optional: Permanent markers, liquid glue, feathers, glitter, gems, wiggle eyes, beads, buttons, yarn, ribbon

What You Do:

1. Have your child think of an animal or object with an identifiable shape that he could sculpt, such as a dog, cat, dinosaur, duck, bird, cow, pig, etc.
2. Give your child old newspaper pages. He can roll them up into balls which will form pieces of the sculpture.
3. He can wrap each newspaper ball inside of aluminum foil, shaping the foil (and paper inside) as he wraps it into whatever shape is needed.
4. Help your child attach the sculpture pieces together and use pieces of foil ends to attach them.
5. Have your child cut strips of duct tape in the colors that he wants his sculpture to be. Then he can wrap the body parts in duct tape. Duct tape pieces will also help hold the pieces together in case the aluminum foil by itself did not attach pieces well enough.
6. After the sculpture looks the way he likes, he can start further decorating it if desired. For example, permanent markers will show up on lighter colored duct tape to draw a mouth, eyes, nose, fur, hair, or other features. He can use liquid glue to attach wiggle eyes, feathers, beads, buttons, glitter, gems, yarn, ribbon, or other decorations.
7. After the glue has dried, he can play with his sculpture or display it. Duct tape ducks, dinosaurs, and dogs will definitely delight!



Never
-STOP-
Learning

A decorative graphic featuring the text "Never -STOP- Learning" in a stylized, cursive font. The text is surrounded by small stars and a simple line drawing of an open book at the bottom.

Becoming an Expert Explorer

Investigating Letterland characters with help from your community!

Becoming an expert Letterland explorer is not a simple task. It takes hard work, determination and a healthy appetite. Do you have what it takes to explore letterland?

Prove your skills as an Expert Explorer by completing the activities in this book. Share your completed work every week with Wheel and Cog Children's Museum to earn your prize and advance to the next booklet.

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