

LITERACY BOOKLET YEAR 5



"You can find magic wherever
you look. Sit back and relax all
you need is a book!"

– Dr. Seuss

2026–2027 TERM 1

NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

Interview Me!

1. What is your full name?

2. How old are you?

3. Where were you born?

4. Do you have any brothers
or sisters?

5. What did you do this summer?

6. What do you like to do in your
free time?

7. What are you most looking
forward to about this school year?

8. What things do you like
about yourself?

9. What is your favourite subject in
school and why?

10. Do you have any special skills or
talents? What are they?

My Summer Holidays

Jason

Hello! My name is Jason and I live in London with my parents and my little brother. We spent our summer holidays in Scotland. We went to Loch Ness and visited an old castle in Edinburgh. I hoped to see the monster Nessie, but I didn't. My dad likes walking so we walked through the Highlands. The weather was sunny and sometimes rainy. The food was okay.



My name is Brenda. I live in New York, USA. My mom and I live in a small apartment.

We spent our holidays in Canada. We stayed in a small hotel near the Niagara Falls. It was amazing! We had to wear raincoats and a hat to see the falls. I met a boy called Matthias from Germany.

He was really nice and he could speak English! We spent a lot of time together.

Brenda



Gabi & Maik

Our names are Gabi and Maik, we are from Berlin, the capital of Germany. We spent our holidays on Grandma's farm in the country. The weather was great this summer. We often helped granny with the animals because it was a lot of work. For breakfast we had fresh milk from the cows. Sometimes we were allowed to drive the tractor. That was really fun! We had a great time with grandma!



Hi friends! My name is David and I live in Manchester, England. This year my parents and I spent the summer in Spain. We travelled by plane to Spain, it was the first time for me to fly. We stayed in a big hotel at the beach. The weather was fantastic – really hot. I swam in the sea, built sandcastles and my parents were sunbathing. Spain was fantastic!

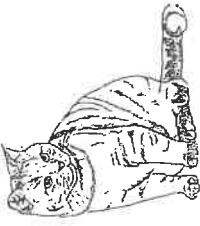
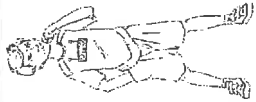
David



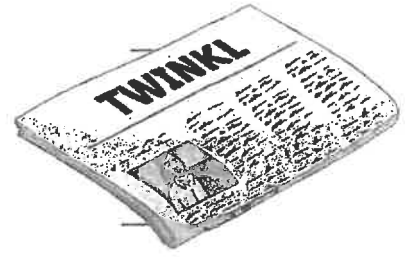
Fill in the table.

Name	Jason	Brenda	Gabi & Maik	David
Country				
Place				
Weather				
Other Information				

Report Writing: News

						
Who:	 A girl	 A cat	 A runner	 An old lady	 A dog	 A boy
What:	There was a fire	Won	Rescued	Got stuck	Fell	Stole
Where:	At school	In the countryside	In a shop	In a tree	At the Olympics	In a bank
When:	Yesterday	Last Tuesday	Last October	At two o'clock on Thursday, 11th May	In the morning on Saturday, 9th February	On Friday evening
Why:	To go on holiday with the money	It was an accident	Because of a careless mistake	Because a little boy was in trouble	Because he trained hard and didn't give up	He/She/It was hungry

In the News



What is the title of the article? _____

When was the article published? _____

Who published the article? _____

Main details/facts:

Areas to learn more about:

New vocabulary:

A summary of the article:

Write your own newspaper article using this headline:

SCHOOL GARDEN MYSTERY

1. Answer the 5 Ws for your own newspaper article

Who: (characters, names, animals, etc)

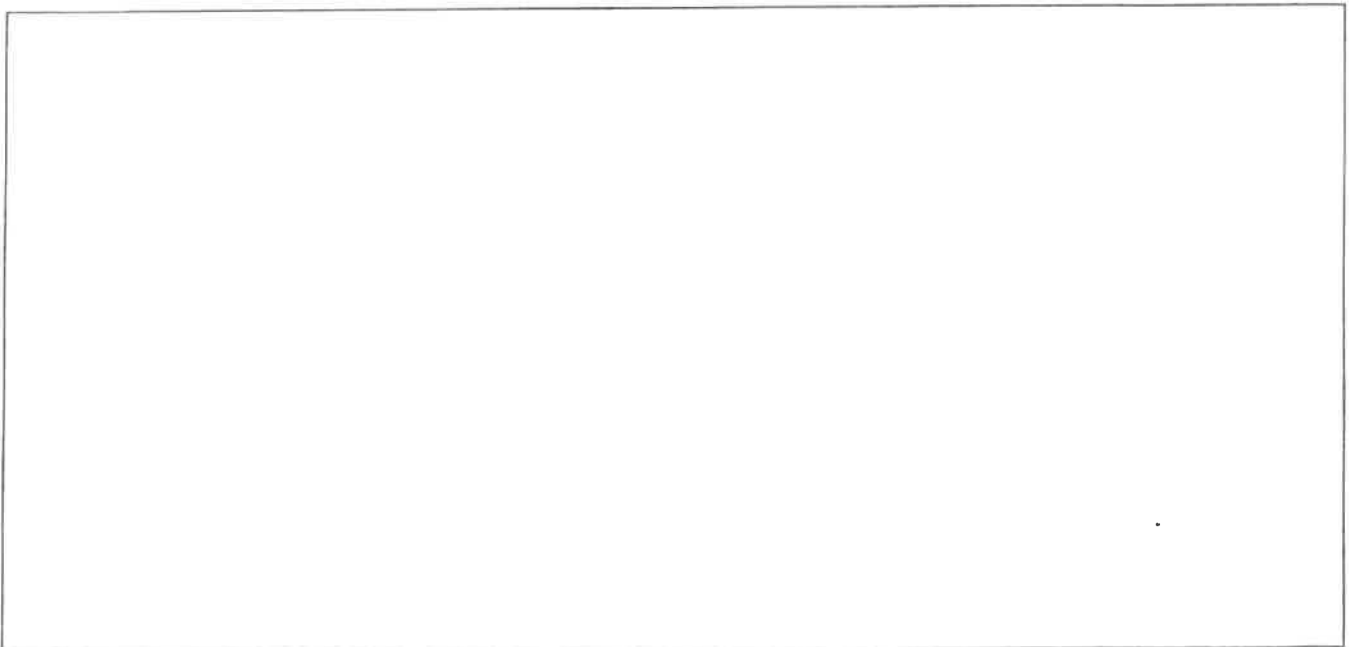
What: (action verbs, what happened?)

Where: (describe place, adjectives)

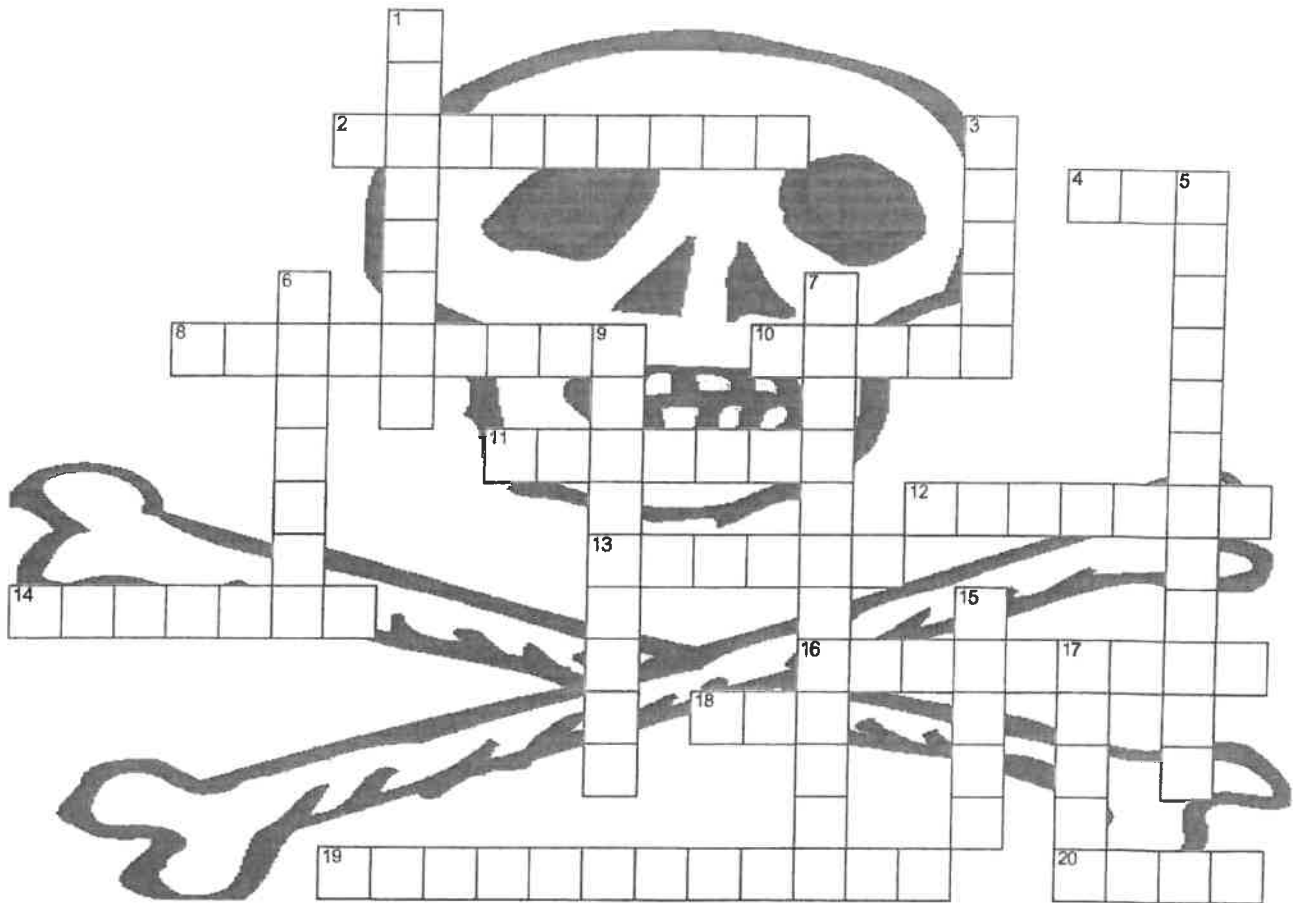
When: (time, date, time of day, etc)

Why: (give a reason, what was the character trying to do)

Draw a picture to go with your headline:



Halloween



HALLOWEEN TRICKORTREAT HAUNTEDHOUSE CANDY BOO BLACK PUMPKIN SPIDER
JACKOLANTERN COSTUME VAMPIRE WITCH BAT OCTOBER TOMBSTONE
GRAVEYARD HOWL MOONLIGHT WEREWOLF PARTY

Across

2. The place where people are buried. Plus a scary place to be on Halloween.
4. A flying creature who hangs up-side-down to sleep and only goes out at night.
8. The light reflected from the surface of the moon.
10. What people give kids on Halloween night.
11. An orange squash that is seen in the fall.
12. An undead creature that drinks blood.
13. Creepy animal with 8 hairy legs.
14. In what month is Halloween celebrated?
16. Celebrated on October 31.
18. What ghosts say.
19. Carved pumpkin
20. A wailing cry that wolves make.

Down

1. A person transformed into a wolf.
3. A fun gathering of friends.
5. Children's chant on Halloween
6. An outfit to wear on Halloween
7. A residence full of spooks and ghosts.
9. A marker for graves
15. What kind of cat should you avoid on Halloween?
17. A lady who casts spells and makes potions.



Ghostbusters!

If there's something 1 _____ in your
neighbourhood
Who are you gonna 2 _____?
(Ghostbusters!)

If it's something weird and it don't look
3 _____
Who are you gonna call?(Ghostbusters!)

I ain't afraid of no 4 _____
I ain't afraid of no ghost

If you're seeing things running through
your 5 _____
Who can you call? (Ghostbusters!)

An invisible man sleeping in your
6 _____
Oh who are you gonna call?
(Ghostbusters!)

I ain't afraid of no ghost
I ain't afraid of no ghost
Who are you gonna call?(Ghostbusters!)

If you're all alone, pick up the
7 _____
And call (Ghostbusters!)

I ain't afraid of no ghost
I hear it likes the 8 _____
I ain't afraid of no ghost
Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah
Who are you gonna call? (Ghostbusters!)

Mmm, if you've had a dose
Of a freaky ghost baby
9 _____ better call (Ghostbusters!)



Let me tell you 10 _____
'Busting makes me feel good

I ain't afraid of no ghost
I ain't afraid of no ghost
Don't get caught alone, oh no
(Ghostbusters!)

When he comes through your
11 _____
Unless you just a want some more
I think you better call (Ghostbusters!)

Oh, who are you gonna call?
(Ghostbusters!) Who are you gonna call?
(Ghostbusters!)
I think you'd better call (Ghostbusters!)
Who are you gonna call? (Ghostbusters!)
I can't hear 12 _____!
Who are you gonna call? (Ghostbusters!)
Louder! (Ghostbusters!)
Who are you gonna call? (Ghostbusters!)
Who 13 _____ call?
(Ghostbusters!)

Name: _____



A modern copy of the Mayflower, the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America

The First Thanksgiving

The Thanksgiving holiday in the U.S. started with a celebration held in 1621. The Pilgrims and the Native Americans came together for a large feast.

The Pilgrims had left their home in England to come to America. They did not like the church in England. They wanted to start their own church. The Pilgrims sailed to America on a ship called the *Mayflower*. They arrived in what is now Massachusetts in November 1620. After a hard winter, the Pilgrims started their settlement. They called it the Plymouth Colony.

The local Native Americans were members of the Wampanoag tribe. The tribe gave the Pilgrims food. One of the tribe members was Squanto, who taught the Pilgrims to grow corn and catch fish.

After the Pilgrims harvested their corn and other crops, they celebrated with a large feast. Many Wampanoag tribe members visited and brought more food. They were happy that they had plenty to eat and were friends.



A painting of the Pilgrims and the Native Americans at the first Thanksgiving.

What Did You Learn?

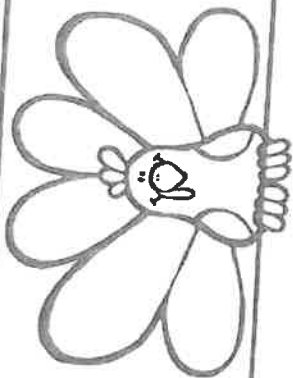
What were the names of the two groups at the first Thanksgiving?

Why did the Pilgrims come to America?

How did the Wampanoags help the Pilgrims?

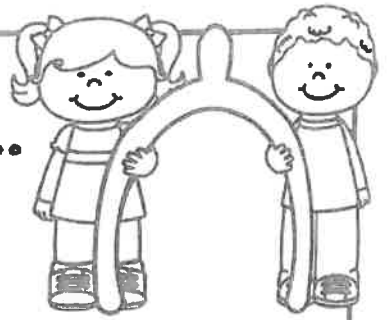
What I Am Thankful For...

Choose 6 things from your web that you are thankful for.
Then write reasons, details, and examples for each.



What I Am Thankful For...

Essay Organizer



Introduction (Provide a strong opening sentence and list 3 things that you are thankful for.)

What I Am Thankful For #1: _____

Reason(s): _____

Example(s): _____

What I Am Thankful For #2: _____

Reason(s): _____

Example(s): _____

What I Am Thankful For #3: _____

Reason(s): _____

Example(s): _____

Conclusion (Restate the 3 things that you are thankful for and end with a strong closing sentence.)



Romeo and Juliet

Shakespeare

Many years ago in Verona, Italy, there were two families.

"We are the Capulets."

"We are the Montagues."

These families are always fighting. The Montagues have a son, Romeo. The Capulets have a daughter, Juliet.

One night the Capulets have a party and Romeo goes. He meets Juliet and they fall in love. Juliet's cousin, Tybalt, sees Romeo and is very angry.

"He's a Montague! Get him!"

"Oh Romeo, why are you a Montague?"

Romeo and Juliet talk and decide to get married.

They know that their families will be very angry so they go to Friar Lawrence and are married in secret.

The next day, Tybalt sees Romeo. He is still angry with Romeo and wants to fight him. Romeo doesn't want to fight but his best friend, Mercutio, does.

"If you won't fight him, I will!"

Mercutio fights Tybalt. Tybalt kills Mercutio! Romeo is so upset he fights Tybalt and kills him too!

The Prince of Verona is very angry and sends Romeo away. Juliet goes to Friar Lawrence for help.

"Here is a special drink. You will sleep for two days. Your family will think you are dead but you will wake up. Then you and Romeo can be free together."

Friar Lawrence sends Romeo a letter to tell him the plan. But Romeo doesn't get the message. He hears that Juliet is dead!

Romeo is so upset he buys some poison and goes to see Juliet.

"Now I will stay with you forever."

Too late, Juliet wakes up! She sees what happened.

"Oh no! You didn't leave any poison for me but here is your knife."

Romeo and Juliet are both dead. Friar Lawrence tells the Capulets and Montagues what happened. They are so sad they agree not to fight any more.





Romeo Juliet

Complete the sentences!

Complete the sentences to retell the story in your own words. :



- The Capulet family and the Montague family are always fighting.
- Romeo and Juliet fall in love and they _____.
- Tybalt, Juliet's cousin, kills _____.
- Romeo kills Tybalt so the Prince of Verona _____.
- Friar Lawrence sends Romeo a letter to _____.
- Romeo doesn't get the letter and he thinks _____.
- Romeo kills himself, then _____.
- The families are so sad that _____.

Write and draw!

Imagine the Montagues and the Capulets have a party together to celebrate the end of their fighting. At the party Mrs Montague and Mr Capulet say sorry to each other. Draw a picture and write their conversation!



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7. Think about it!

What do you think? Is it important to try to forgive people when they do something bad to you, instead of fighting with them?





What's the order?



Watch the story and put the sentences in order.

1

Romeo Montague and Juliet Capulet fall in love.

Romeo kills Tybalt so the Prince of Verona sends him away.

The Capulet family and the Montague family are always fighting.

Romeo is so sad that he kills himself, then Juliet sees Romeo is dead and she kills herself.

Romeo doesn't get Friar Lawrence's letter and thinks Juliet is dead.

Tybalt, Juliet's cousin, kills Mercutio, Romeo's friend.

The families are so sad that they agree not to fight any more.

Juliet makes a plan with Friar Lawrence to drink a special drink and pretend to be dead.

True or false?



Watch the story. Circle true or false for these sentences.

a. The Capulet family and the Montague family don't like each other.

true false

b. Romeo meets Juliet at a Montague party.

true false

c. Romeo and Juliet get married in secret.

true false

d. Tybalt kills Mercutio, then Romeo kills Juliet.

true false

e. The Prince of Verona is very happy and sends Romeo away.

true false

f. Friar Lawrence gives Juliet a drink to make her sleep.

true false

g. Friar Lawrence sends Romeo a letter to tell him the plan.

true false

h. Romeo buys a knife and goes to see Juliet.

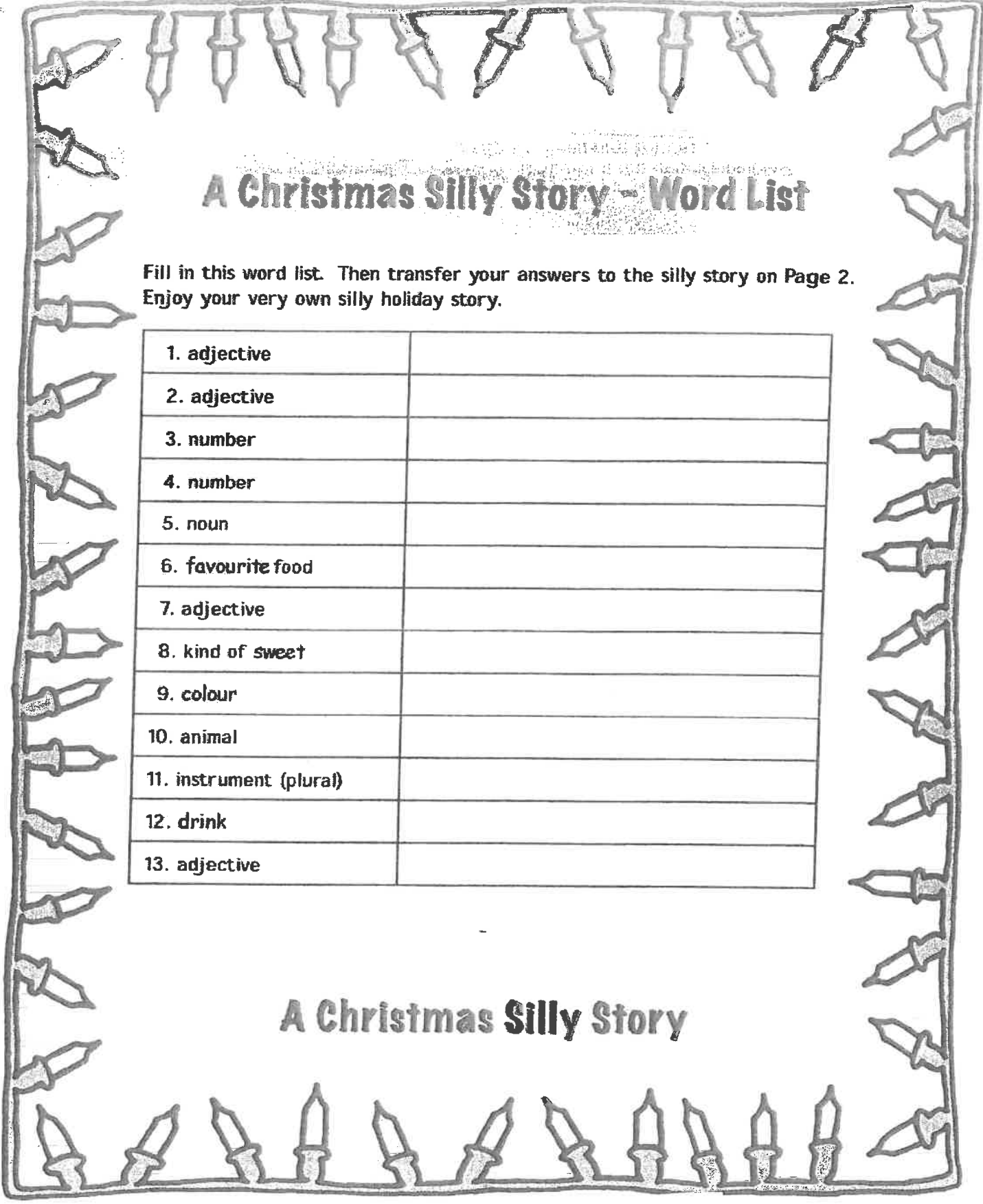
true false

i. Romeo and Juliet kill themselves.

true false

j. The Prince of Verona tells the families what happened.

true false

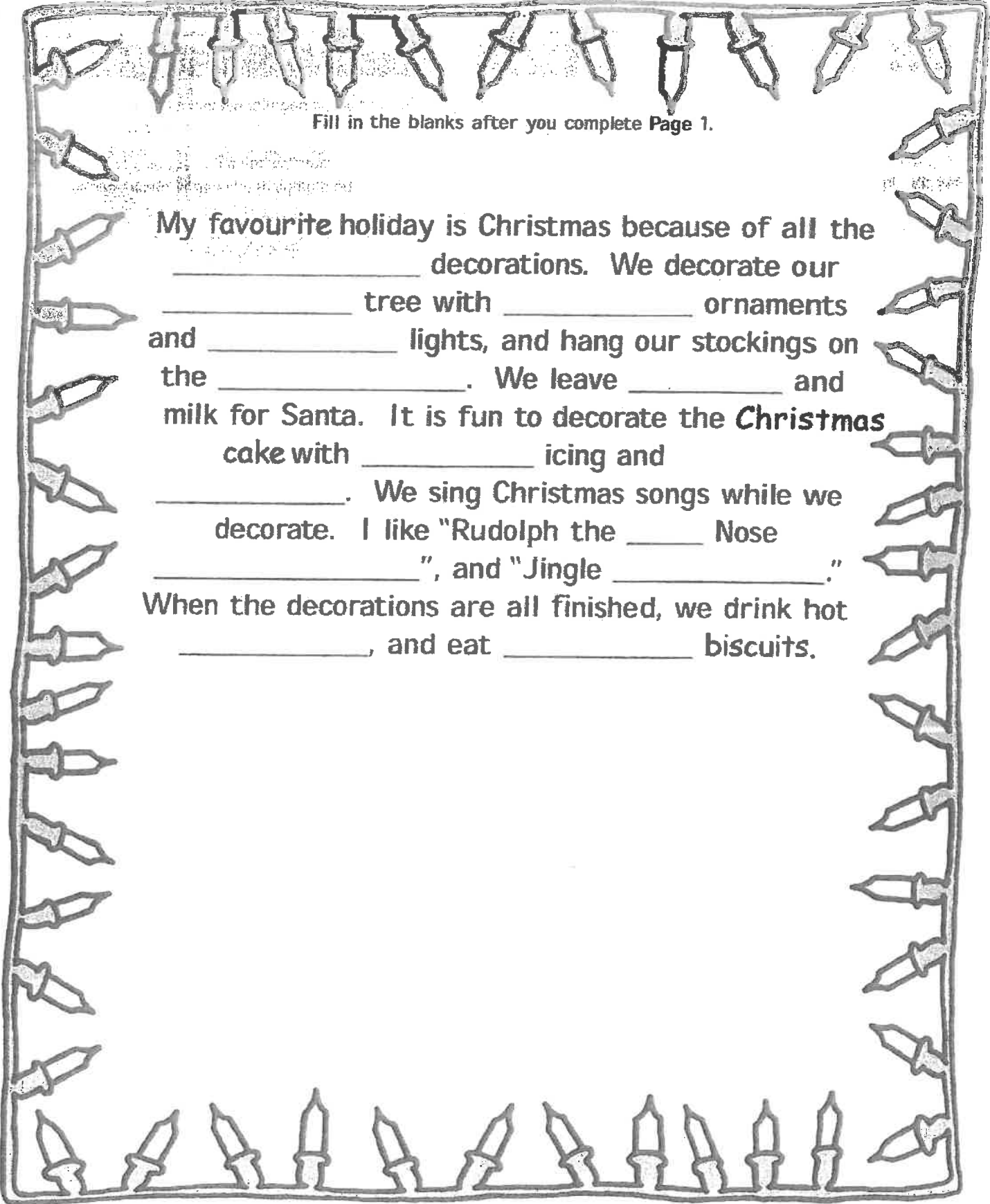


A Christmas Silly Story - Word List

Fill in this word list. Then transfer your answers to the silly story on Page 2.
Enjoy your very own silly holiday story.

1. adjective	
2. adjective	
3. number	
4. number	
5. noun	
6. favourite food	
7. adjective	
8. kind of sweet	
9. colour	
10. animal	
11. instrument (plural)	
12. drink	
13. adjective	

A Christmas Silly Story



Fill in the blanks after you complete Page 1.

My favourite holiday is Christmas because of all the
_____ decorations. We decorate our
_____ tree with _____ ornaments
and _____ lights, and hang our stockings on
the _____. We leave _____ and
milk for Santa. It is fun to decorate the Christmas
cake with _____ icing and
_____. We sing Christmas songs while we
decorate. I like "Rudolph the _____ Nose
_____", and "Jingle _____."
When the decorations are all finished, we drink hot
_____, and eat _____ biscuits.

Syllables

Color the spaces for each word:

green if the word has **4 syllables**

blue if the word has **3 syllables**

brown if the word has **2 syllables**

red if the word has **1 syllable**

What is it? _____

