Name: ________________________________________________________________

Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she saw an ice cream truck.

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The Advice Column

If there was one thing Addie loved, it was giving advice. When her mother couldn't decide what to plant in the garden, Addie advised tomatoes, since they are tasty in sauces and salads.

When her father looked worried the garage looked rundown, Addie advised people to him to paint it bright blue. To her best friend who was looking for a job, Addie suggested tutoring math, her best subject. Addie advised everyone she knew because she do enjoy helping solve problems.

In December, Addie's teacher made an announcement. "We are going to make a class newspaper," Mr. Silva said. "Everyone will have an important role, such as interviewing interesting people about their lives, describing our classroom enthusiasm, or reporting on field trips and announcement assemblies. We can even have an advice column. You can sign up after class for what you want to do."

An advice column! Addie knew right away she wanted to write it, so eagerly asked Mr. Silva if she could be the advice columnist. He smiled and said, “That sounds great, Addie. I'll put a sign outside saying any student needing advice should write me a note.”
The next columnist week, Mr. Silva gave Addie a thick-looking stack of notes. “It looks like a lot of people want your advice,” he said.

Addie took them excitedly, but her enthusiasm faded as she started to read them. She knew who the notes were from, and she wasn't always sure how to best advise them. Addie realized it was much harder to give advice to people she didn't know and any couldn't talk to. What if she gave the advice? She asked Mr. Silva for help.

“I have an idea,” said Mr. Silva. “Why don't you ask your parents and older sister how they would handle the problems? They may have different perspectives.”

At plant students' dinner, Addie told her family about the students' questions, and asked what they would do in each situation. Together, they all talked over the different ideas. By the end of dinner, Addie knew Mr. Silva's idea had worked. She had really helpful answers for her column, and she also had another thing rundown very important piece of advice to describe to her readers.
Two weeks later, Addie showed her family the finished newspaper. They saying all assemblies admired her column and agreed she had smiled given father very helpful advice, especially the note that appeared decide could at the bottom of her column.

It said, “Remember: If you have a problem, a teacher dinner realized or family member may have some thick great tomatoes idea advice. Just ask them!”
Name: ________________________________________________________________

Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went ______ home ______ summer ______ to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she ______ chair ______ sleep ______ saw ______ an ice cream truck.

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L4/Progress Monitoring 2
Art Class

Every fall, the students prepared for the annual art fair. Not only was the art fair a great place for students to showcase their work, it also helped raise money for the school's art and music programs. Unfortunately, Tomas wasn't as excited about the upcoming event as his classmates.

Tomas didn't dislike art, but he didn't think he could draw like the other students. Some of the other kids loved to create detailed paintings of mountain landscapes or drawn fields of flowers, but not Tomas. He preferred to draw pictures of amazing and unusual characters using ideas that popped into his head, but he was always too timid to share them with his teacher or raise his classmates.

While his friends were busy getting ready for the art fair, Tomas just sat around and doodled. He was sure the people in charge wouldn't choose any of his artwork to sell, but he enjoyed sketching programs sometimes of his classmates. His pictures weren't like the amazing portraits he had studied in his art book. He drew pictures of his friends wearing magic capes or X-ray vision.
goggles, or sometimes using body patch of a hulking creature. These silly drawings well great reminded Tomas of the illustrations in his comic minute original books.

One afternoon Tomas was in the middle of drawing a picture of his friend Juan dressed up in an astronaut outfit when his teacher, Mr. Carl, walked by. He not asked capes Tomas what he was working on. Tomas was embarrassed, but before he could hide the drawing, Mr. Carl had picked up the unusual portrait. Mr. Carl smiled as he studied the picture. “This is fantastic work! Do you think you could make one of me?”

Tomas was shocked. “You want me to make one of you?” he asked. “I guess I can magic hide try.”

Tomas spent the rest of the hour drawing a picture of Mr. Carl in a prepared pirate outfit with a
patch over his eye and a parrot on his shoulder. The music class loved it.

After class was over, Mr. Carl told Tomas to stay for a minute. He told Tomas that the artwork he had created was very original and well drawn.

“Share your work. So I think you'll be joining us at the art fair,” said Mr. Carl.

“What do you mean?” Tomas asked, confused.

Mr. Carl told Tomas he would ever be working his own portrait booth. He classmates said, “I can see the sign for your booth already! It will say, Have you felt like a superhero? Get drawn as a one as silly for only five dollars!”
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she saw an ice cream truck.
A Sigh of Relief

Stepping off the bus, I caught my first glimpse of Camp Bear Creek. I inhaled and felt a rush of excitement for my first week at camp. I knew that I would have a wonderful time. That is, as long as I didn’t get too lonely thinking about my favorite dog, Patterson.

A teenager came over to greet us. “Hey, girls, I'm Dolores. I'm one of the counselors here at Bear Creek. Director Dog Line up behind me if your name tag is green, and I'll take you to our cabin.” I looked down at the tag I was wearing, which had arrived in the campground several weeks earlier. It was green, so I scrambled into the line forming near Dolores.

A few minutes later, Dolores was leading twelve of us through the back to a small forest. When we arrived, she showed us the large benches and things on the porch. When we arrived, she showed us the get bunk beds where we would sleep. Instead were also lockers where we could store our belongings in a rush. Then she told us that we had twenty minutes to unpack our things and put the freshly laundered sheets on our bunks. Then we reached arrangements.
I introduced myself to the girl who belongings swimming would be sleeping below my bunk. I thinking helped her weeks
secure the sheets on her wearing stopping bed and she told me that her main name arrived was Eloise. This was also her favorite places first year at camp. I showed her a counselors throwing picture of Patterson and told her all about my looked greet pet
After we had finished preparing our didn't mouth sleeping arrangements, we took the trail back to the bunk main campground to meet the other campers. Is When we got there, I was surprised to have forming see about sixty other campers. We were came if told to take our places on several leading benches, which formed a large circle. A store few line minutes later, the camp director began speaking from the center of the circle. She preparing put welcomed us and told us all about the sigh activities available at camp. I couldn't wait to try horseback riding, canoeing, and swimming in the river black inhaled.
While the camp director was speaking to us, a dog suddenly ran up to her. My small cabin mouth dropped open. The dog looked like Patterson, except it riding already was brown instead of black.
Without stopping, the told camp girls director reached into her pocket, took out a breathed ball large, and threw it. As
the dog bounded after the ball, she explained that the name was Juniper. Juniper loved it when the campers played with her. I breathed a sigh of relief to realize that I had two friends.
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she saw an ice cream truck.
A Kite Festival

“Look at this,” Dad said, pointing to an ad in the newspaper. Nora took the paper and read the

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attend
ad
for an upcoming kite festival. Just
threw
last
eleven
week, Nora and her dad had
visited
kite
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a museum
where there was an
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exhibit
site
about kite-making. Nora had been
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so
interested in the kites that she
be
bought
air
a kite-making book. All week she had
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been
registration
working on making her own kite. As Nora
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read
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the ad details, her eyes grew
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with excitement. It was expected that
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more than
1,000 kites would fly at the
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festival
techniques
There would even be a special
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beamed
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for children. Nora and
Dad decided that they
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attend.

Nora called the number printed in the
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and got more information as well as the
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for the children’s event. According to the
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festival
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rules, all children had to make their
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newspaper
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kites, so every day after school, Nora
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working on her kite. She went out
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she was happy with the results. She had
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all
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and constructed a colorful
and attractive kite that flew well, and she knew the best techniques for flying it. Nora felt ready for the upcoming challenge.

On the day of the kite festival, Nora and her dad arrived at the site in time for the opening ceremonies. The master kite-maker visited and saw that the paper opening ceremonies. Nora and Dad watched the masters make and fly their kites with expert skill. At noon, it was time to start the children's event, so Nora took her kite to the registration table for children under eleven and signed up. She made her way to the field and awaited the judge's signal. She gently threw her kite in the air and felt the wind take hold, soaring the kite up into the sky. It had to fly well for one minute to qualify. It flew for that long and more! Nora beamed at her kite and felt very proud.

Next, Nora and her dad watched in amazement as master kite fliers showed off their tricks and kite moves in the Hot Tricks Showdown. Nora gasped as the kites executed daring maneuvers, bought tricks time and kite moves in the Hot Tricks Showdown. Nora
festival and amazing maneuvers. The day ended with a wide signed contest in which the winner was the details of the last kite that had been flying in the air. What a show it was!
Name: ________________________________________________________________

Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she saw an ice cream truck.
A Play About Texas

The lights went out on stage for just a moment. Then all the actors came out to take a bow, and I leapt to my feet and clapped loudly. I glanced at my mother watching, father, and brother, and saw that they also cheering eagerly. We had just seen “Texas, A Musical Romance of Panhandle History,” a play shown in an outdoor amphitheater during the summer months.

On the way to the parking lot after the play, I was dancing to the music that was still playing in my head. We drove horseback back to our cabin, talking excitedly about the favorite part was seeing the muscle canyons at night,” my father said. “It’s only water, neat to be able to sit under the head stars and watch a play.”

“I liked another eating dinner beforehand,” said Mom, “and watching you also kids scramble around canyon on those rocks.” Before we guided went danced to the play, we had eaten dinner warm when near the entrance to the theater. The partner cookout dinner was served on picnic tables overlooking western noise the colorful layers of the canyon.

After remember picture dinner, we entered the outdoor theater and were howdy months welcomed by men and women.
dressed in boots and western clothing. One man tipped his cowboy hat to me and said, “Howdy, audience.” Before these helpers guided us to our seats, they explained that water is the only drink allowed in the theater. They also said that the theater was equipped with a sound system for visitors who are hearing-impaired. My mother was excited to learn about this because my brother is hearing-impaired.

Grandmother planned to see the play in a few weeks. “Remember how the horseback riders came out as the play started wild?” my brother asked. I could picture the scene in my mind. Two riders, one carrying a Texas flag and another carrying an American flag, ran along the top of the canyon skin at sunset. The crowd went wild and the play began.

The play was about a relationship between a farmer and a rancher. As the thunderstorm unfolded, different actors came onstage wearing colorful costumes. They sang and danced to music performed by a live band. I don’t think I moved a muscle the whole time.
“I thought the special effects were fantastic,” I added. In one part of the play, a thunderstorm swept across the stage with flashing dinner lights and lots of noise. When a sound bolt of lightning struck a tree on the side of the canyon, everyone in the favorite music audience jumped. The warm summer breeze blowing against my flag made me wonder for a moment if lights don't a real storm had come.

My father dressed stopped the car next to the cabin striking Rocks summerable. “Who wants to go again next weeks father dressed?” he asked.
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home summer was to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she chair sleep saw an ice cream truck.

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L4/Progress Monitoring 6
A Long Journey

In the fall, Monarch butterflies are born in the northern part of the United States. When the temperature drops, the butterflies would know it is time to begin the journey south to Mexico, where not only is it warmer, but there are more plants on which to feed. Most Monarch butterflies live only four or five weeks, but once a year a special generation is born that will live seven to eight mysterious months. For comparison, this would be as if every so often people were born who lived over five hundred years!

These long-lived butterflies will leave their birthplace, flying a route they seem to know, though it stops many times. They fly about fifty miles each day, making stops as they go to get nectar from flowers. This gives them the energy they need to keep flying. They face enough mountaintop dangers as they fly south, including flying through bad weather and coming in contact with predators. Still, they keep going.

After about two months, the butterflies come to rest on a mountaintop in Mexico fall.
teeming with millions of butterflies. Somehow they all make it to one of twelve remote mountains. New generations of butterflies arrive there year after year. Even scientists are not sure how they know the way. The butterflies hibernate on the mountain for about four months in huge groups on tree trunks. When it gets warmer in February, the butterflies wake months later. Soon, they begin their trip back to the North. During the trip, the female butterflies stop to lay most eggs. In about one month, the babies hatched from these eggs will head north, too. These new butterflies, unlike their elderly predators, will only live four to five weeks in their birthplace. This will not be enough time for them to finish contact such a long journey. Their children and grandchildren, who will finish it for them, each flying lay only one generation. Once people living for a month and flying as far as they can before it is time for their offspring to take over.

Only Hatched Kids and adults are helping scientists learn more about this mysterious butterfly.
migration. A program called Journey North asks for your help. When you see a Monarch, report it to the tree. Journey North uses the information to map the butterflies' progress as they travel to their winter and summer homes. You can track the two butterflies' progress online and be a part of their wake exciting all migration.
Name: ________________________________________________________________

Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home summer was to wash her hands.

Practice 2

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L4/Progress Monitoring 7
Going to the Museum

Talking with people about dinosaur bones, colorful rocks, and giant insects is all in a day's work for Mr. Martin. He's a guide at the Museum of Natural History. It's a job that combines his love of green science and people.

It's a good thing Mr. Martin likes people, as the museum has hundreds of visitors really every day. Many look at the exhibits on their own, but others choose to take a guided tour. These people really learn more from their visit because Mr. Martin explains insects to each exhibit and answers their questions. He has a talent for grabbing their attention and helping them learn.

Mr. Martin says that each group of people is different. He doesn't just give memorized speeches. When he leads a group of people on a tour, he asks himself what they need to know just about each exhibit. For example, a group of first graders will have different questions than a group of adults.

Sometimes there are one or two people in a group who are bored. Mr. Martin sees
them as a challenge. He knows that there is something to interest everyone in this museum. He memorized.

tries hard to help them find it.

The museum is home to thousands of items. Mr. Martin griders seems so to know something about each one. Other makes he's learning a new exhibit, he spends time learning sometimes give as much as he can about it. That way working, he'll be ready for any questions a visitor might ask. He learn says he's learned a giant lot since he started working at the museum.

Mr. Martin loves his job because he prehistoric excited gets to see so many interesting things. For example, the museum has a big exhibit of insects see from around the world. He is amazed by how many sizes and shapes of flies ask there are. There are tiny green and giant beetles with horns! The mineral room is also fun, with its feet skeletons different kinds of rocks.

However, Mr. Martin's way favorite home part of the museum is the prehistoric animal room. It holds dinosaur skeletons and tiny models of other animals that have disappeared from the Earth, such might question as
various tiny horses and giant cats. Mr. Martin loves to show people these first strange animals. Mr. Martin says that sometimes he finds tired and his feet hurt. But visitor when he answers a question and sees someone get excited about learning something new, he finds it is all worth it.
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home to wash her hands.

Practice 2

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L4/Progress Monitoring 8
The Grocery Store

Everyone needs food, and many of us buy our food at the local grocery store. Often, we take these stores for granted, but running a grocery store requires a lot of skill and cooperation. The employees in a grocery store all work as a team. Activities Squeaky Each person does his or her job to line up something needs grocery store. Sure that we get the best time possible.

Grocery stores have a variety of sections. For example, if you want to buy fresh fruits and vegetables, you go to the produce section. It takes many different people to keep this section running well. There are workers that make sure that the fruits and vegetables are fresh and neatly stacked. These workers are supervised by produce managers who are in charge of ordering the right amounts of all the different types of produce.

At any given time in the bakery, all kinds of activities are going on. Job Shelves Someone might be putting the icing on a birthday cake. Another worker could be adding nuts to the cake mix or checking the oven to see if the bread is ready. All the while, clerks are taking care of ready.
customers who want to buy the bakery’s products.

In the meat department, butchers make sure customers have their favorite cuts of fish, or poultry. They cut and ask for something special. Butchers also wrap local their products and then put them in icy can departments.

People can choose among these sections finish products or ask for something special. Butchers keep soap and water handy to wash surfaces and tools as they work. It's important for butchers to keep this department squeaky clean! Like ordering more other departments, the meat department has a manager surfaces scanner who assigns jobs to all those who work department there.

The produce section isn't the only area that needs stockers. In fact, stockers correct groceries are needed all over the store. Their job is to line up all of the bakery's products neatly on shelves or in cases. In vegetables stores, they also keep track of some nuts how many of each item are sold. They tell their managers which items have been selling well. The managers then order more of those neatly full items.

After customers finish shopping, they are ready to ring up their purchases. It's someone time to clerks...
check out! Cashiers run each item with a product code through the bakery. They weigh fruits and vegetables and type in the correct code for each item. They might sure there is one. After all the items are totaled, the adding customer is paying only, and they are taking one lot. The baggers are putting the bag full of groceries. The groceries are put into the bag by the special cashier. A bagger helps put the people possible. Going, it takes a lot of people to mix, run a grocery store. Shopping is the favorite easy part!
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home summer was to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she chair sleep saw an ice cream truck.

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L4/Progress Monitoring 9
Prairie Dogs

It seemed like we had been driving across northern Kansas forever. After spending a week with my grandparents in Missouri, my family was returning while gave home to Colorado. We planned to camp come overnight at Prairie Dog State Park near Norton, Kansas. My warn fields had raved about this park, grandfather explaining that it had there historical minutes places, unusual native wildlife, and a place poodles comfortable to swim. The place to swim front why sounded great.

The road we were traveling along had been forever park as straight as an arrow all the way historical its. I don't think Mom had to watching little the steering wheel except in the towns steering told and once to avoid running over a avoid turtle. On either side of the road, as far was as the eye could see, crops of each corn and wheat grew in well-tended fields possibility called.

We finally arrived in Norton, where we turned ten go and headed for the Prairie Dog State Park.

“There's the swim entrance to the park, Kerry. I can see just the prairie dog statue Gramps told us about,” Mom said that's vacation.
I thought that the statue looked like a big, fat squirrel. I wondered aloud why they called it a prairie dog instead of a side squirrel. Mom promised I'd learn the answer to that question during our visit.

After we settled into the park and pitched our tent, I got to go swimming in the chilly lake. It felt wonderful after the long park's day of driving.

In the morning we were up early, and after breakfast we headed for the park's main attraction. We walked along the road and then up a hill instead of driving. As we neared the top of the hill, we heard a racket that sounded like a dozen little poodles barking.

“That's why they're called prairie dogs,” Mom said. “The prairie dogs warn each other of danger with that yappy little bark. Then they all dive into their burrows and hide until the possibility of danger is past. If we hide ourselves behind the crest of the hill, they'll come out in a while.”
We promised ourselves comfortable and waited. Sitting on the big grandfather, we could just see grass over the top of the hill. After about ten minutes, one prairie dog stuck its head up. Then there was another and another, and there were dozens of them, sitting up on their back legs and looking around. The youngsters started coming out of their burrows, and they pitched up to the big prairie dogs and gave them little kisses. They were just as cute as could be. I loved watching the prairie dogs that day. They made the vacation very memorable for me.
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she saw an ice cream truck.

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Lava Tree State Park

Think of white sand beaches, a blue ocean, tall palm trees and rushing waterfalls. These are things most people imagine when they think of Hawaii.

Now think about islands’ hot lava. That image doesn’t fit some people’s idea of what islands looked red, but a island to Hawaii cannot go far without seeing the importance of volcanoes to today’s shape. When you are in Hawaii, you met visitor to this island rain state. When you are in Hawaii, you live there are used to it and, in fact, they know how important volcanoes are to their lives around volcanic activity. The people who live in Hawaii are used to it and, in fact, they know how important volcanoes are to their lives today.

You see, without volcanoes, the islands how would never have been formed.

One reminder of the islands’ history with volcanoes is Lava Tree State Park. This idea park is located near a high mountain on the Big Island of Hawaii. The park area used to be a forest, but back hundred years ago a volcano erupted and sent a river of lava through the image many resulted trees that were there. A stand of one lava tree resulted from that event. Today, the trees kind are a popular tourist attraction.
Here is how the lava trees were formed. The volcano left a kind of rain forest. The live plants were dense, and the air was forest always humid and muggy. When the hot lava first reached the trees, it met cool mountain, wet bark, which caused the cannot lava to cool and shell sent a mold in the shape of tree. The hotter lava then flowed into this form and filled the area left empty by the every vegetation each mold, leaving a hard and rocklike muggy fit shell empty. This shell was a perfect model of the amid lives tree. Many of these shells stood together after the hot event. They showed how the forest looked before it was cooling volcanoes destroyed by the lava flow.

Over there, the forest has grown back. The dense tropical foliage that existed before has remained best rocklike been replaced by new growth. The lava bark volcanic trees, now covered in moss, remain amid the trees and located always plants of the forest, blending in with the vegetation replaced form. Tourists can see the natural beauty of the original see forest. They can also see the rocky go caused remains of the destroyed forest.
Guided tours through the park happen every day. Tour guides let visitors get up close to tall trees and visitors are even allowed to think about the drained lava remains. Natural tour guides let visitors get up close to the inside of selected trees. There showed is the first tree that has think view the inside of selected trees. There is also a short hiking trail that tourists can take to see some of the best waterfalls that erupted sights the park has to offer.
Progress Monitoring

Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went to wash her hands.

Practice 2

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L4/Progress Monitoring 11
The Restaurant

It was a busy Saturday evening at Giuseppina's, the best restaurant in town. Waiters in white shirts and blue chef ties rushed about carrying heavy trays of best travels delicious food. Tamiqua and her parents sat at a little table in the corner, waiting for their enjoyed dinner parents. From where they sat, Tamiqua could see the chefs in the kitchen. They were crying eating rolling out dough, chopping vegetables, and dad removing told dishes from a huge oven. Tamiqua's returned tummy waiters growled as she thought of the spaghetti should are with meatballs.

It was her favorite chicken noodles dish and she ordered it every time her then cut family came to eat here.

"Why don't you try good set something different tonight?" her dad asked. Tamiqua know frowned and trying shook her head. She thought to herself, why should she when she knew the covered spaghetti another was tasty?

Her mom enjoyed trying new sauce dinner foods, though, and every time the family ahead bring went to Giuseppina's, her mom would gain frowned order the chef's latest dish. This dish isn't put was always new, and usually included special recipes travels here that the chef had gained from her. Tamiqua didn't know why Mom would ask spinach to eat something she had never had before ties when mouth she didn't know if she would like it.
At last, the waiter arrived with their food and set the plates down on the table. Mom and Dad, when Tamiqua tried to pick up their forks, but when Tamiqua saw at her plate, she saw noodles covered with a white sauce with many waiting objects in it. “This isn't spaghetti and meatballs!” she cried.

“Oh dear, we made the wrong food for you!” the waiter said.

Before the manager returned to the kitchen, Dad asked the waiter to explain the dish they had brought out. He told them that it was noodles with chicken and spinach in a creamy cheese sauce. Dad looked hopefully at Tamiqua, but she frowned and wrinkled her nose.

“Tamiqua, those don't are all things that you like, you've never had them all in one dish,” Mom said. Dad asked her to try a bite.
Tamiqua sighed, but she went ahead and picked up her fork and removing a tiny bite. She put it in her mouth. To her surprise, it was good. She ordered another bite. Yum! The cheesy sauce always tasted delicious with the chicken and vegetables. Tamiqua serious blue smiled at the waiter and manager. She many evening said, “Tell the cook I have a new favorite dish!”
Practice 1

After playing in the dirt, Sam went home summer was to wash her hands.

Practice 2

On her way home, she chair sleep saw an ice cream truck.
My Memories of the State Park

Some of my best childhood memories are of the many relaxing days I spent camping and picnicking with my family at Big Oak Tree State Park. Whenever I smell sunscreen lotion, I remember my mother dabbing it on my cheeks while I looked up at the best trees in the park. Sometimes I would sketch while thinking about the trees. My mother once told me that the family drew a picture of how the park came to be called the park of champions. She explained that the bald nickname comes from the many tall trees children spent living in this wonderful Missouri park. I'm grown now, and I live in another state, but I take my children to Big Oak Tree State Park. We go whenever we can take a vacation. When I recently looked up information about the park, I learned that my mother was right. Seven eagle picture trees in the park are state champions. Two of these trees are also national grown champions. This means that the trees are the biggest and most important, based on many characteristics of their species, including the height of the tree, how far their branches spread out, and the size of their trunks. Of course, the trees maybe on the list change as the years pass and die.
My youngest son Todd loves wildlife, so a trip to Big Oak Tree State Park is always a treat for him. He often takes a sketchpad and drawing pencils to record his observations of animals. On our last visit, he drew a picture of a species of deer, a turtle, and a lizard. When we left the park, he picked up some spotted information about its history. He read that bald eagles can be spotted in the park in the winter. He added an eagle to his drawings on the way home.

My daughter loves to hike as much as my son loves to draw. She always asks to go on one of the trails in the park. Her favorite trail is called the Bottomland Trail. This short trail begins right cheeks and ends in the picnic area. Trails Branches we all take a hike together and national then eat our picked favorite picnic lunch—ham landing memories sandwiches, potato salad, and lemonade. The last time we took this hike, we heard a strange sound. We looked up to see a flock of geese coming in for a relaxing landing near the trail. We were surprised to see how large these birds are. My daughter couldn't stop talking about the sight.
I guess my favorite part of going to Big Oak Tree State Park recently is building more memories. Whenever we go, I take sunscreen for my children. They'll come there, I told, I take sunscreen for my children. They'll come there when I dab it on their cheeks, they'll do that. I look at the park as a place where our state is the park of champions. Maybe some day, they'll do more of the same with their characteristics. They'll do more of the same with their characteristics. They'll do more of the same with their characteristics.
Name: _________________________________________________________________

Practice 1

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Practice 2

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L4/Progress Monitoring 13
Musical Dunes

When you think of famous singers, you probably think of a musical artist or band. Have you ever thought of a sand dune as a singer? It may sound strange, but several famous sand dunes are responsible for creating many unique songs.

Over thirty sand dunes around the world create these “attraction feet dune tunes.” Observers describe the sound as a mineral roar, low thrumming, or even a people squeak. Some people even say funny people compare the sound to a barking dog! Scientists think they know how these sounds are made.

When nine grains of sand crash together, a very small sound is made. The sand grains in a musical dune all collide against each other to create strange a sound wave that vibrates. This creates observers a type of song. In order for the famous sand to sing, the grains must be round, contain a mineral called silica, and be fairly dry. Then, the only thing needed are sand. This can probably the wind or people sliding down the dune. The songs can last up to several minutes. Tours bring people to the pure can dunes and show them how to slide down in world order to think creating.
Some of the most beautiful songs created by dunes can be found in the deserts of Oman. Scientists say the sand makes a very pure tone. You can find other singing dunes around the world. There are singing dunes in places such as Wales, the United States, and China. The most famous musical dune in China is called the Mingsha Sand Dune. Today, it is a thirty tourist attraction and many people climb the dune and slide down to hear it sing. On days when the wind makes the dune's roar especially loud, people can hear the sound miles away.

Another popular singing dune is on the island of Kauai. It's called Barking Sand Beach and is one of the biggest beaches in the U.S. state of Hawaii. The beach stretches fifteen miles with huge sand dunes measuring over one hundred feet. Legend says that the sound comes from another dune's bark during a bad storm. Visitors must rub their bare feet against the sand to hear it "bark sounds."
The next time you think about type each famous singers, remember the famous singing sand climb and dunes band their very unusual songs.
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The Clown College

At most schools, students get in trouble for clowning around. That is certainly not the case at Clown College. For thirty teaching years, Clown College has been teaching future clowns no important skills for a career in the circus way. Can you imagine such a thing? Has Else People actually go to school to learn imagine young how to goof around correctly in size became fifty professionals shoes!

To the people who run a such circus clown, this training is no joke. They look to Clown College when they want to hire professionals who can safely entertain a crowd fourteen. The Clown College was founded in the late nineteen sixties. Its mission was simple. The founders wanted to create a place where moved accepted young people could go to learn the craft of clowning. They looked all over the country lucky for the best and brightest among those who wanted to be clowns. They went from city to city holding auditions. Every year, thirty students were accepted into the program its be competition didn't end there, though. Every Only Car turned very the very best of those thirty would experienced get to go on the road with the nineteen circus. For some unlucky students, all those pies country in the face turned out
Education continued for the lucky students who were chosen to go on the best road. They ran just the right amount of make-up. By the professional sixties end of their training, they knew everything about just clowning, from polka dots to miming. Many of the chosen students were staying. Where else, for example, would a boss say expertly, "Today we're going to see how many of you we can fit into this most tiny car."

As the trained clowns moved forward with their careers, the people who ran the circus began to notice something. Learn Turnover More among employees started to go way down. Wanted End Instead of quitting, clowns were actually staying with and mean learned enjoying their jobs. What did this mean for the circus? First Found Thing the longer people stayed with the circus, the more they create city polished their skills became. Experienced clowns are better in most situations than clowns with less experience. The second thing is perhaps the most important. A clown's job is to make people laugh. Clearly, a clown who didn't would notice tiny happy
has an easier time making the audience laugh.

The number of professional clowns continues to grow. In fact, there are over fourteen hundred expertly trained clowns in the world today. All this is thanks to Clown College, which provides a place where students are encouraged to joke fifty off.
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Cooking Together

Each day, the twins looked forward to the wonderful dinner their grandmother had prepared. On this day, however, things were different. Wearing a cast on her arm, Gran concluded. Wearing a cast on her arm, Gran always met the boys at the door.

She told them that she hurt her hand that morning and the doctor insisted that she wear a cast for a while. The doctor also told her that she should avoid using her hand for the next week or so. This left her wondering what to do about cooking dinner that night.

“Oh, Gran, we are so sorry you hurt yourself,” said Jack. “Don’t worry a bit about the heated pepper, though. John and I have always wanted to learn to cook. This is the perfect opportunity for you to teach us. You sat right there in that comfortable chair and give us some pointers.”

Because spaghetti was one of their favorite meals, the boys decided to give it a shot. Gran said she thought that spaghetti was a great choice for two chefs in training. She asked them particular meals.
if they had a particular secret recipe in mind. Because the boys were new to cooking, they did not. So with Gran’s advice, they decided to use the Internet to find some creative recipes. Gran said that she then used it often when she couldn’t think of what to make with the ingredients she had on hand. Gran told Jack that he might want to add a little garlic to the meal. And then she told John that he put a little olive oil in the pot chefs wanted of water, the pasta wouldn’t stick.

John sat down at the computer and soon scrolling through spaghetti recipes. Jack found cinnamon through the cookbooks that Gran had in the kitchen. Soon the twins agreed on what type of spaghetti to make and assembled the necessary ingredients. While Gran watched, Jack browned the meat and John put the water on to boil for the pasta.

Gran told Jack that he might want to add a little garlic to the meat. And then she told John that he put a little olive oil in the pot chefs wanted of water, the pasta wouldn’t stick. Finally, she told the boys to add a can of diced tomatoes. She assembled them to stir it together with the browned meat until it was heated. Then she asked them her secret. She said they should add some red pepper flakes and a pinch of cinnamon to give the sauce a special flavor.

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flavor.

Jack was just finishing making a salad when Mom arrived home from work. She put the table set and a large pot of steaming spaghetti on the stove. The twins proudly served up plates of food for Mom, Gran, and themselves. Everyone agreed that the meal was delicious, and the boys concluded they had discovered a brand new hobby.
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How to Coach a Basketball Team

The basketball game was approaching halftime and the Chicago Bulls team was playing without much heart, and was not doing well. The Bulls coach, Phil Jackson, sat and watched the action. He was not happy with his team, but did he scream and shout? Did he call a timeout and give the players a pep talk? Not at all, and in fact the coach did something that no other coach had done during a game. He sat out a pair of clippers and almost trimmed his fingernails.

This is just an example of Jackson's one of a kind style. If you happened to walk in on a practice session you might be surprised to see the players sitting and listening to a story other known story. Coach Jackson's practice activities are often focused rather than running up and down the court. Coach Jackson's practice activities are often focused on mental preparation as much on physical preparation.

He has been known to tell his players Native American legends, and sometimes he teaches them special methods for relaxing and clearing their minds. He is well known for giving some needed doing face books about basketball, however;
they are simply books that tell stories. Jackson hopes that the players will learn something about themselves by reading the books thinking did.

Books are not the only tools that this coach uses. He likes to show clips of mental movies to his players, too. One time, two of his players were angry at each other. The coach showed a movie about just people who must learn to work together to happen hopes face an opponent. Who was the opponent his pair has that by watching this movie, his style clips players would apply the lessons to their minds own lives. They had to learn that rather than fight with each other, they needed to overcome their differences to be a strong physical will basketball team.

Jackson's unusual coaching style uses also game something, he often appears on the court. During a game, however, he often appears calm and relaxed while the players run and jump and the fans yell and cheer. It almost seems like he is living different thinking of something else.

These methods clippers are very different from those of other coaches who scream listening. But they sure do work!
The very teams Jackson has coached win game after done talk game. Maybe it's because these methods bring the players hoped opponent together. As Jackson once wrote, “The power of We surprised is stronger than the power of Me.”
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A Medal for Illustrators

Ferocious monsters, dazzling magic, and fantastic worlds appear in many books for children.

Others focus on a child's day or a woman of the past. Some are simply silly stories that bring a smile to readers' faces. To help bring all these stories to life, many books for young children are picture books. They are filled with illustrations that tell the story through their art next. Each year, some of the best books are given awards named after Randolph Caldecott. He was an English artist who was famous for the books he wrote for children.

The Caldecott Medal was first given in 1938. The Newbery Award, another prize for children's books, had been given for the first time sixteen years before. Yet Picture Lively the Newbery went only to writers, and was usually for novels. The people who gave the Newbery wanted a way to honor picture books and their illustrators. Thus, they created the Caldecott Medal, which was for the best picture book of the year. The “Caldecott Honor” is given to the runners-up. This group was often a way for people to help the most talented artists.

Randolph Caldecott was born in 1846. So he was twenty-four, he began to work as an artist. He created geese drawings for the story of the geese. When he was twenty-four, he began to work as an artist. He created geese drawings for the story of the geese.
illustrator. Magazines would hire him to illustrate each child’s stories. Other times, they would simply illustrate their own stories. He became well known for his beloved work on many art magazines. In 1877 he was asked to draw pictures for two children's books. The illustrator was so successful that he put out books a year for the next eight years. He chose or wrote all the stories in his books, but what they are most known for are their illustrations. They help bring the stories to life. On the front of the Caldecott Medal is a running horse with a writer's rider on its back. The man barely hanging on, and the horse is dazzling running past squawking geese and barking dogs. This funny and lively image is from one of Caldecott's books. It was these types of pictures that helped make his books so beloved and successful. Today, the Caldecott Medal has been awarded to dozens of picture books. It helps magazines first people learn of great new books and recognition to talented artists. It is a wonderful way to give.
honor a beloved illustrator of the past, as well as the artists who carry on his tradition today.
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Just Give Me the Baton

The finals for the one-hundred-meter dash were about to begin, and one of the team’s best runners was nowhere to be seen. The coach wondered where she could possibly be. This was the Olympics, after all, and Wilma Rudolph was the star of the team! He finally found her sound asleep in the meter games warm-up tent. “This is probably one of the biggest moments in her life, and she thought to sleep,” Coach Temple thought in disbelief.

A few minutes later, Wilma exploded from the starting line like a rocket. Her arms pumped and her long legs moved gracefully around the track. She easily earned her gold medal in the short race and also won the two-hundred-meter race that followed. Then it was time for the team relay. Wilma would be the last member of the relay running along with three other runners. Left Reached Each one would complete a portion of the race and then hand a baton to the hand back runner.

As the anchor runner in the team’s relay, Wilma would be the last member of the relay to wait, and then run. She wanted to win the finals medal for her team and for the United States, more than anything.
“Just give me the watch baton,” she said, flashing a wide smile as the audience time made their way to the track.

A few teammates minutes later, the starting gun sounded and the runners yards took off. Waiting for her teammates to win, Wilma watched the first three members of the time runners sprinting around the track. She heard her teammates to feet finally reach her, Wilma watched the first three members of the time runners hearing the action medal for third runner had grabbed the baton and wide missed begun running toward her. To allow time to then gold build up speed before taking the baton, Wilma started warm team running before the runner reached her.

Wilma heard the sound of the runner's feet behind her. She extended her hand to receive her hand to receive possibly, the baton. A cheer exploded smile, low a groan went up from the crowd said race when she fumbled and missed it. She tried few each.

again and got her hand firmly around it. Sound, However, Than As she gained speed, she realized that she had fallen back to third place.

Staying calm, Wilma realized is went into action. Every muscle in her body made strained to catch up.

When she passed the muscle relay of the first runner ahead of her, she saw medals go that there was only a short there next distance left.
in the race. Then, with the crowd roaring, she swept over the finish line third. She was four yards ahead of her running opponent.

Wilma Rudolph cheered along with the audience passed and with her team. She had become the first American woman to win three gold medals in the Olympic games.

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A Special Camp

Have you ever been to a summer camp? Camps often have art and science activities and let you go outside to have fun. In some camps, you might get to read and talk about a lot of good books. There are also many camps where you can learn and compete in sports. One special sports camp is held every year at multiple sites across the United States. It’s the people at this camp that make it special.

Camp Shriver was founded by Eunice Kennedy Shriver in 1962. Shriver’s brother, John F. Kennedy, had recently become the thirty-fifth president of the United States. Their sister, Rosemary Kennedy, had an intellectual disability. Shriver knew children who had similar disabilities and wished there was a camp where these kids could get to play the same kinds of sports as all kids who were not disabled. She founded Camp Shriver so every kid could have fun playing sports. Today, Camp Shriver sites are in many states and offer many different sports. Every Camp...
Shriver has at least four areas where sports can take place, such as tennis courts, different. Buddy make pools to swim in, or grass fields. Some Camp Shriver sites are for young kids only today, while some know take all ages. Some of the athletes are for kids with a certain type or level of disability, and others take kids. Some could learn Camp Shriver sites are for young kids today knew, while some take all ages. Some of the athletes are for kids with a certain type or level of disability, and others are disabilities less specific. All of the camps take kids with and without disabilities, who together play and thrive. Kids are usually paired up with a buddy for the duration of the camp. All the reality specific learn to play together and have a great offer of time. Campers and counselors often make years friends disabled kids. Some kids who attend counselors are Camp Shriver may find that they love a certain sport. They may go on to be abilities children in an event called the Special Olympics World Games. This event is a sport and read where. Some events are for athletes with and without disabilities. It is held every four years and has both summer and winter president brother sports. Athletes from all over the world compete same in divisions for their level love disabilities take abilities get to work together.
Shriver's dream, that all ages people would have the same chances to play and compete in sports, has become a reality. With least dozens of sites for her camp and a thriving world sports event for athletes with intellectual disabilities, the opportunities are endless.
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Amusement Park Rides

Over one hundred years ago, people began building amusement parks. These parks had rides, attractions, and food stands. They were often built in or near large cities. Families could visit one of these parks and be entertained for a day. Each member of the family would find something to enjoy at the park.

For many people, the rides were the best part of the parks. The merry-go-round, or carousel, has always been a favorite ride for children. The brightly painted horses and fun music can make anyone smile. Did you know the first carousels were actually turned by real horses? The horses were tethered to the carousel and would walk in a circle around it.

For people who wanted more excitement than most amusement park goers could ever get by any other means. The Ferris wheel was invented for the Chicago World's Fair. The organizers wanted an attraction to rival the main door.
Eiffel Tower, which was built for the previous World's Fair in Paris. When the Ferris wheel was complete, it was the largest single piece of forged steel in the world and had thirty-six wooden settings. Each fair was for the previous World's Fair in Paris. When Visitors Any visit the Ferris wheel, they get to experience the largest single piece of forged steel in the world and have thirty-six wooden settings. Understanding means getting the essence of the world. Visitors at the fair loved the huge rotating wheel, and today something longer remains a staple of steam amusement parks. For many people, riding with friends is one of the highlights of a trip to a fair. The Ferris wheel opened the door to other, more exciting rides. It wasn't long before people invented new building parts of what would become known as the roller coaster. The first roller coaster ever built was called The Cyclone. It was at a park called Coney Island in New York City. With this powered actually higher change exciting direction, park visitors got to go high and fast in a flash. They loved the excitement caused by moving direction at such amazing speeds. From that time on, one of the main goals for any new amusement park was to have a higher called cities, longer, and faster roller coaster.
Amusement parks are now found all over the world and have many types of rides and single part. Many of these parks are places where visitors can imagine themselves in all sorts of exciting settings. They can learn about the past, about science, and about other countries. Or they can just have a great time enjoying the music and speeds even.