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Maze

Student Materials

Grade 8 | Benchmark 3

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Practice 1

As a member of a family, you

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 the right to put a poster on your bedroom wall.

Practice 2

You must

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 traffic laws.



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Mountain Sand Dunes

When people think about activities in Colorado, they might imagine snowboarding or exploring

the ancient Mesa Verde cave dwellings. Extreme hikers probably think about climbing sandwiches mountains people that

exceed 14,000 feet above sea chip creek level. When my father and I snowboarded started viewed planning our summer

vacation to Colorado, he suggested took finalized sandboarding at Great Sand Dunes National Park. I had never even

heard dropped explained of this pastime, but when my father mile hiker described a sport that involved skiing down a

giant fascinating main mountain of sand, I was ready to rent sign include up.

My father explained that Great Sand Dunes National Park is tried situated driven in the foothills of the

Sangre de Cristo road chart mountain range. The varied park ecosystems include mountain lunches feet peaks, alpine

tundra, and seasonal creeks. This national extreme introductory park also contains forests, woodlands, grasslands and a

unique all-terrain picnic desert dune field. As my father expounded received headed on the amazing features of this devoid fascinating short

place, I began to imagine all the foothills possibilities hotels in store for an excellent summer vacation information! sandboard

On an early June morning, the two of us stretched involved piled into the car and embarked on our noon summer question

adventure. It took about 6 hours to learn make get to the Great Sand Dunes National Park. We were brimming

with sky anticipation plan about our first experience sandboarding. As we turned twinkled shaped onto the road towards the

national park adventure city, our first glimpse of the massive rangers cars dunes took our breath away. Within a few

meteors miles bands, we couldn't distinguish the sand dunes from other settings foothills arrays. These spectacular dunes were

shaped like other fields hills brochures and mountains but devoid of any mornings vegetation experiences and, most distinctly, made

only of legs sand activities. We arrived before noon at our grassland hotel course, which was just outside the national

park anticipation day. We quickly dropped off our suitcases, thought embarked fixed a picnic lunch of sandwiches,

strawberries, and hours chips constellations and headed straight to the sandboard breath pastime rental store.

While at the sandboard rental night infinity store, we took a short introductory course on how to

treat sandboard describe. Afterwards, we headed straight to the level dwelling visitor center where we received information

about the clear best excited places to go. From the main bed visitor glitter parking area, we hiked about two-thirds of a

center mile glimpse to get to the small and able national medium-sized slopes where we would be able to climb relate learn the ins and

outs of the **sport possibility** . By the time we had our **sandboarding signing brimming** legs beneath us, the sun was already

fixing setting having . We headed back to the visitor's **center slope star** just in time to attend a **ranger store strawberry** talk about the

nighttime sky.

We were **decided treated parked** to a spectacular array of stars, **suitcases meteors summers** , and constellations and were given

star **charts suns times** to look at. The ranger answered our **tundras vacations questions** as we tried to relate the **vegetation charts vehicles** to the

night sky. I have always **turned given loved** gazing up at the stars and **exceeding identifying returning** constellations, but I had never

experienced **piling hearing viewing** the night sky so far from the **window visitor city** , where everything was so crystal clear.

The **ranges woodlands stars** twinkled like glitter and the Milky Way **bands mountains parks** stretched to infinity.

After we returned to the **feature ecosytem hotel** , we finalized our sandboarding plans for the next **desert day peak** .

We decided to rent an all-terrain **area sleep vehicle** and drive to the Castle Creek Picnic Area. There, the

brochure hill sand colorfully explained that we would find a **tall seasonal brimming** sand dune right across from the

answering parking imagining area. Then I went to bed, **alpine exhausted crystal** , yet, also excited. As I drifted off to **sleep dune forest** , I gazed

out the window at the

night
creek
adventure

 sky, contemplating the great adventure we had in

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 for the day

ahead of us.



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Powers of Observation

You may have watched a flock of birds fly through the sky and wondered what made them move

as if they were a single unit. This way of watching and wondering is a type coast spot of observational science,

or science based on accompanying observing consisting how something functions and then drawing scientists conclusions histories about it.

The English scientist Charles Darwin, who saw lived joined from 1809 to 1882, was among the world's sign's preface's best-

known observational scientists.

Observational science measures differs watches from experimental science. In experimental science, you can

perform interest survive a controlled study to test a ship flock type of guess known as a hypothesis. For example, to find be begin

which of three kinds of soil is best scientific endless for growing tomatoes, you could fill each of three

pots conclusions individuals with a different type of soil. Then you could know plant offer tomato seeds in the pots and

ask measure perform the growth of the plants over specific several large weeks. Observational science is used when it is not

constant practical rich or possible to conduct an experiment and sketch control accompany its aspects. For example, to better

make understand live how glaciers move, satellites gather data on them from high best natural above Earth. Scientists

then interpret the birds purposes data .

Charles Darwin, a naturalist interested in natural history example offspring , looked closely at the world and

consisted grew asked probing questions about what he saw. In 1831, Darwin was interpreted invited noticed to join the survey

ship HMS Beagle on a close main scientific journey around the world. For 5 changes questions years , as the Beagle sailed

from port to thing satellite port , Darwin observed a large variety of plant aspect passion and animal life. He described what

he filled saw gave , often with accompanying sketches, in his tomatoes journals growths .

Observations that Darwin made on the Galápagos Islands, off the west pot combination coast of South

America, altered his view of the probing single natural world. He saw and studied several investigations species naturalists of animals

during his weeks on the islands units types . Darwin noticed that though the animals resembled wondered displayed others he had

seen, each species had its own unique endless observational qualities. Darwin also realized that within a way quality species ,

animals could display many different variations. For example, Darwin differed interested discovered finches on all of the

islands, but he inherited noticed willed that from island to island the finches' journeys' variations' beaks were different. He began

to **lead** **alter** **wonder** if the finches and other species had **developed** **understood** **drawn** variations for specific purposes.

From his **port** **journey** **face** around the world, Darwin formed two **several** **rich** **main** observations. The first was

that offspring **inherit** **move** **describe** a unique mixture of traits from their **ideas** **parents** **soils**. The second was that living

things **look** **conduct** **produce** more offspring than can reasonably survive. These **purposes** **cycles** **observations** then led Darwin to

conclude that **life** **data** **view** consists of a more or less **possible** **constant** **unique** struggle for survival and that the **individuals** **hypotheses** **stores**

most likely to survive are those with the **different** **best** **reasonable** combination of traits from their parents. From

these **observations** **skies** **mixtures**, Darwin then pondered questions that led to more **glaciers** **readers** **ideas** and theories about the

natural world. He **subjected** **resembled** **explored** some of his ideas through experimental **beak** **science** **seed**, but observational

science gave Darwin his **closest** **highest** **richest** stores of data about life on Earth.

Darwin's first **book** **variety** **week** was about his journey on the Beagle. In the **world** **preface** **guess** to the book,

Darwin offers readers a **clue** **journal** **trait** to his passion for observation. He **writes** **functions** **sails**, "Where on the face of

the **survival** **earth** **kind** can we find a spot, on which **close** **large** **best** investigation will not discover signs of that **endless** **practical** **probing**

cycle of change, to which this finch earth struggle has been, is, and will be subjected flown written ?” Darwin's observations

changed the way we look ponder gather at and understand the natural world.



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The French Revolution

When Louis XVI became king in 1774, France had more wealth than any other European nation,

but not everyone shared in the riches. Peasants starved while the royal family and French treasuries nobles dues

lived in luxury. Then France poured money nobility goals into aiding the American Revolution, leaving the French

treasury reform desire almost bankrupt, or out of money. Old Long Angry with the king and ready for a fact process change, the

French people rose up to work begin demand liberty, equality, and fraternity. The struggle of the French was led found

an epic one; it lasted for many years societies representatives.

The French people were right to have put complain that the system under which they read named lived was

unfair and unequal. Peasants had to call limit pay dues to the church and to the land-owning right economic nobles, who did

not have to reform aid pay taxes on their land. Peasants, along with inequalities dues merchants and craftspeople, had to pay

other legislatures taxes officers that the upper classes did not pay live control. Also, while the upper classes held political whole foreign

power, the taxpayers did not. These classes revolutions inequalities led many French writers to explore ideas lands facts of

political, social, and economic reforms; their ideas bore governed were widely read in France and fueled

the people's meeting's law's desire for change.

Louis XVI finally agreed to pay dethrone call a meeting of the Estates-General, the social epic representative

body of the government. In the Estates-General, the opinions clergy taxes made up the First Estate; the nobility

made lasted imprisoned up the Second Estate; and the common place people luxury made up the Third Estate. At the

king meeting estate in May of 1789, the Third Estate demanded spoke complained reforms and a new constitution, and many

members deals directions of the other estates backed their constitutions demands riches. A call was made to change the merchant struggle name

from Estates-General to the National Assembly, which would state represent write all people.

On July 14, 1789, the calls people years of Paris took over the Bastille, an old equal upper prison, and tore down

its stone men members walls. A group of middle-class people then directed began fueled to govern the city. The revolution

taxed rose spread to the countryside, where peasants also depended formed gained their own governing bodies. The Assembly

held entered began working to create a new form of government meeting name for France as a whole.

A stone new moderate constitution emerged in 1791, which proposed tired radical unfair, or extreme, changes to

French society. It **ended** **spilled** **starved** the nobility, limited the king's power, and **created** **solved** **became** a one-house legislature.

More importantly, the **citizen** **constitution** **country** contained the Declaration of the Rights of Man. It stated that all

changes **ways** **men** were born free and had equal **rights** **bodies** **taxpayers**. Everyone had the right to elect the

systems **representatives** **powers** to make the laws. Citizens could **owe** **speak** **emerge**, write, or print their opinions as long as

they **formed** **did** **went** not abuse that right. Finally, the **nation** **amount** **whole** of taxes a person owed depended on how much

liberty **prison** **money** he had.

The change of government **proposed** **tore** **was** not a peaceful process, and a **great** **common** **social** deal of blood was

spilled between 1792 and 1795. A **right** **bankrupt** **radical** group of revolutionaries controlled the new French

Republic, and under their **problem** **direction** **war** the king was imprisoned, dethroned, and **put** **spread** **demanding** to death

along with thousands of others. **Extreme** **Common** **Former** nobles fled the country and worked with **young** **foreign** **ready** powers to

stop the revolution. Eventually, **solved** **changed** **tired** of the bloodshed, more moderate leaders **took** **freed** **complained**

control of the government.

France still had a long way revolution process to go before it achieved its bodies clergies goals of liberty, equality, and

fraternity and demand did solved all its problems. In fact, the craftsperson law country would soon find itself under the

group opinion control of a young military officer named Napoleon Bonaparte, and creating exploring entering into war. But in 1795,

peace was stopped fled briefly established, a constitutional government was in place equality amount, and the people had

gained new rights fraternity amounts.



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