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Maze

Student Materials

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Practice 1

As a member of a family, you

have
give
lead

the right to put a poster on your bedroom wall.

Practice 2

You must

put
obey
practice

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 that people

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 ecosystem 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

store
car
chip

 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

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look
ponder
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 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 demand
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 demand 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 to go before it achieved its bodies of liberty, equality, and goals
 process
 fraternity and demanded did solved all its problems. In fact, the craftsman 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, and the people had amount
 gained new rights fraternity . amounts



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