

PECAN PARK OPEN DOORS

I am braver than I believe,

I am stronger than I seem,

And I am smarter than I think!

Note from Mrs. Carlisle: The time we have at home has given me opportunities I have not had before. With less traffic on the streets, I can hear more birds. I can cut grass whenever I like! I am spending time reading. My husband and I are watching an 11 DVD series on the history of baseball. That will keep us busy for 11 nights! I am learning much that I did not know about baseball! I hope you are doing things at home that you and your family have not had time to do before.

Our Topic: This week's activities are puzzles that will help you stretch your brain and think in different ways. There are three types – Hink Pinks, Rebuses (which we call Word Bogglers), and Riddles. The answers follow each page of puzzles in case you get stumped.

Hink Pinks: A Hink Pink is a rhyming pair of words that match a silly definition. Here are some examples:

*chubby kitty – fat cat

*cap that got squashed – flat hat

*50% giggle – half laugh

Rebuses: We call these Word Bogglers in Open Doors. If you remember, it is helpful to work with someone when trying to solve them. Two heads are better than one! Here are some examples:

FACE – red in the face

po**FISH**nd – big fish in a little pond

EGG EGG

HAM

green eggs and ham

TEEF

FEET

two left feet

TEEF

Riddles: Here are some sample riddles to try:

What is full of holes but still holds water?

A sponge

What question can you never answer "yes" to?

Are you asleep yet?

When things go wrong, what can you always count on?

Your fingers

What word is spelled wrong in the dictionary?

Wrong

I hope you enjoy these activities. Stay safe and watch for a new activity next week.

Name: _____

Hink Pinks

Level: A (Easy)

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example:

a black bird that does not fly fast - slow crow

Can you find rhyming pairs for these clues?

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| 1. paperback thief | 1. _____ |
| 2. lengthy tune | 2. _____ |
| 3. closet to keep a sweeping tool | 3. _____ |
| 4. light red beverage | 4. _____ |
| 5. small buzzing insect that is not wet | 5. _____ |
| 6. large group of people that is noisy | 6. _____ |
| 7. stinging insect that doesn't cost money | 7. _____ |
| 8. unhappy father | 8. _____ |
| 9. rabbit that tells jokes | 9. _____ |
| 10. fast elevator | 10. _____ |

Challenge: Can you write your own Hink Pink on the back of this page?

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| 3. closet to keep a sweeping tool | 3. <u>broom room</u> |
| 4. light red beverage | 4. <u>pink drink</u> |
| 5. small buzzing insect that is not wet | 5. <u>dry fly</u> |
| 6. large group of people that is noisy | 6. <u>loud crowd</u> |
| 7. stinging insect that doesn't cost money | 7. <u>free bee</u> |
| 8. unhappy father | 8. <u>sad dad</u> |
| 9. rabbit that tells jokes | 9. <u>funny bunny</u> |
| 10. fast elevator | 10. <u>swift lift</u> |

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REBUS FOR YOU!

Solve these visual word puzzles by looking for clues in the placement, color, or number of words. Have fun!

1. Injury + Insult	2. Weather Bit
3. yourballcourt	4. B Cat 2 aa
5. T B Bush A E	6. 1. 2. Blame 3. Blame
7. belly	8. ri poorch
9. mce mce mce	10. MONSTER

REBUS FOR YOU!

SOLUTION

1. Adding insult to injury.	2. A bit under the weather.
3. The ball is in your court.	4. Let the cat out of the bag.
5. Beat around the bush.	6. No one to blame.
7. Yellow belly.	8. Take from the rich and give to the poor.
9. Three blind mice.	10. A green eyed monster.

Name: _____

Riddles to Ponder

Can you figure out the answers to the riddles?

1. I come one in a minute,
Twice in a moment,
But never in a thousand years. 1. _____

2. I always run, but never walk.
I have a bed, but I don't sleep.
I have a mouth, but I don't eat. 2. _____

3. When you put this in a heavy
wooden box, the box will
become lighter. 3. _____

4. You hear my sound,
You feel me when I move,
But see me you never will. 4. _____

5. I follow you all day long,
But when the night or rain comes,
I am all gone. 5. _____

6. The more I dry,
The wetter I get. 6. _____

7. I am very heavy,
But backwards, I'm not. 7. _____

8. A cowboy rides into town on Friday.
He stays two days, then leaves on
Saturday. How can this be? 8. _____

ANSWER KEY

Riddles to Ponder

Can you figure out the answers to the riddles?

- I come one in a minute,
Twice in a moment,
But never in a thousand years.

1. the letter M
- I always run, but never walk.
I have a bed, but I don't sleep.
I have a mouth, but I don't eat.

2. a river
- When you put this in a heavy
wooden box, the box will
become lighter.

3. a hole
- You hear my sound,
You feel me when I move,
But see me you never will.

4. the wind
- I follow you all day long,
But when the night or rain comes,
I am all gone.

5. a shadow
- The more I dry,
The wetter I get.

6. a towel
- I am very heavy,
But backwards, I'm not.

7. Ton
- A cowboy rides into town on Friday.
He stays two days, then leaves on
Saturday. How can this be?

8. His horse's name was Friday.