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GREEN

1. What is the meaning of the underlined word?
I've read so many tall tales in the last year that I'm ready to take a hiatus for a few months and read something different.

2. Write the words correctly.

definately

allmost

buzy

exxagerate

3. Circle the nouns. Underline the verbs.

Last summer, the temperatures soared so high that corn popped right on the cobs.

4. Name the audience for the preview.



Welcome to your new home, the city of Southfield. Here's a preview of our weather. In the summer, it gets so hot that the farmers feed ice to their hens to keep them from laying hard-boiled eggs.

5. What effective techniques does the author use in telling this story?

Let me tell you about last year's big storm. The wind was so strong that it blew the feathers right off the chickens and the worms out of their holes. Birds had to fly backwards to keep dirt out of their eyes. The force of the wind moved the county and kept the sun from moving across the sky. The sunset was delayed by five hours. One woman made the mistake of opening her mouth, and the wind blew her whole body up like a balloon.

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1. Edit the sentence.

Pecos bill the gratest cowboy of all time fell out of his familys wagun and wuz left behind read the teacher to her students

2. Correct the error.

The tales about Pecos Bill shows his amazing strength and courage.

3. Which word completes the analogy?

warm : scorching :: _____ : frigid

a. frozen

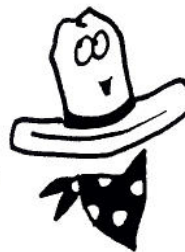
b. bitter

c. cool

d. sultry

4. Choose the correct words.

They say Pecos Bill handled rattlesnakes (real, really) (good, well).



I've told a tall tale or two.

5. What kind of book is this?

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1. Circle the simple subject. Underline the complete predicate.

The Santa Fe spider has 100 legs, a gigantic forked tail, and fangs bigger than a rattlesnake's.

2. Write two antonyms for **fallacy**.
3. Add the endings. Spell each new word correctly.

love + ly = _____

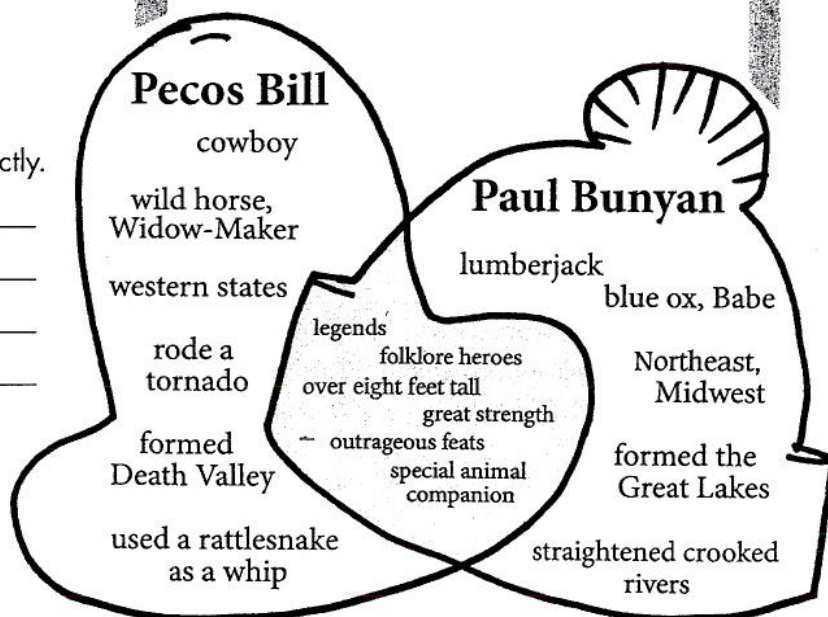
rude + er = _____

plot + ed = _____

drip + ing = _____

4. The sentence contains an example of
- ☐ hyperbole ☐ alliteration ☐ rhyme
- ☐ metaphor ☐ onomatopoeia ☐ simile
- Slippery snakes circling, hissing, sneering, swallowed each other's tails.

5. Name two features that the two characters have in common.



Name _____

1. Write and define a homonym for each word.
- rain board principle patience

2. Add apostrophes where they belong.

a mans fish stories

a scissors handles

three tall tales titles

one familys whoppers

3. Rewrite the sentence to clarify the meaning.
- Susannah took a picture of a ten-foot-tall mosquito using her new digital camera.

4. Put these words in alphabetical order.

lies	literal	libel
lessons	lying	loosely

5. Write a good headline for the story.



That's what I call breaking the ice.

A local family has just revealed a surprising story about last winter's severe temperatures. In January, Mrs. Maggie Smith called her son to come home for dinner. But her son did not hear her until late March. According to scientists, it was so cold that her words froze before they could reach the boy. Three months later, when the words thawed, the boy heard his mother calling. So, he went home for dinner.

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Read

1. What details are given to describe Paul's ox?
2. How much food does Paul need in a six-day work week?
3. What natural wonder did Paul claim to create?
4. What information on the application is most surprising to you?



Write

Write a news article about an incident that might have involved this huge, strong character. Include a strong headline, an inviting beginning, and a satisfying conclusion

JOB APPLICATION – Position: Lumberjack

Name	<i>Paul Bunyan</i>
Age	<i>24</i>
Height	<i>8 ft, 11 in</i>
Weight	<i>410 lbs</i>
Physical Condition	<i>superb</i>
Birth Date, Place	<i>July 1, 1880; Maine</i>
Past Work Experience	<i>wood splitting, tree-felling, tree-climbing, and lumberjack work across America; created the Great Lakes with my footprints</i>
Abilities, Qualities Related to the Job	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>tremendous strength and endurance</i> - <i>6 years experience in all kinds of terrain</i> - <i>can fell two trees with one swing of axe</i> - <i>can chop trees 16 hours without stopping</i> - <i>companion ox, Babe, has horn span of 42 axe handles</i>
Preferred Working Conditions	<i>prefer to work with my blue ox; he increases amount of work that can be done in a day—can haul great quantities of wood at one time</i>
Special Needs or Requirements	<i>need boots size 40; need supply of food equaling 18,000 calories a day; need 30 lb of grain a day for my ox</i>
References	<i>American Timber Company; Continental Timber Company; U.S. President</i>

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