

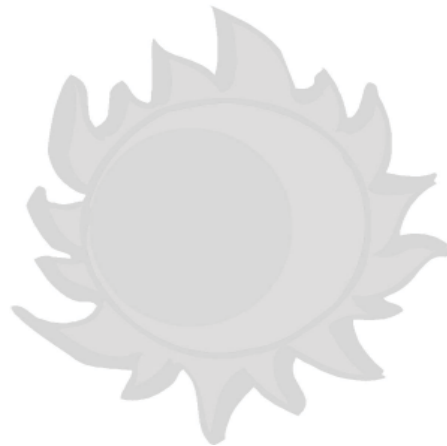
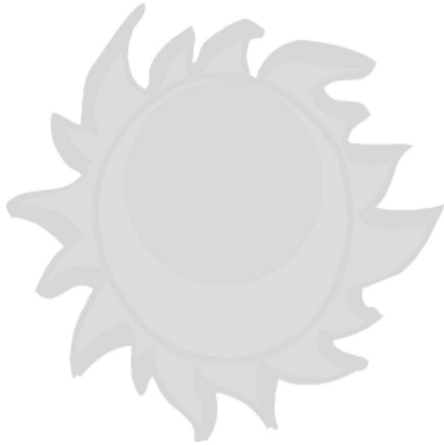
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On a longer car trip, work together to name all of the states alphabetically. Which states start with the letter A?

July



July Artist: Ben

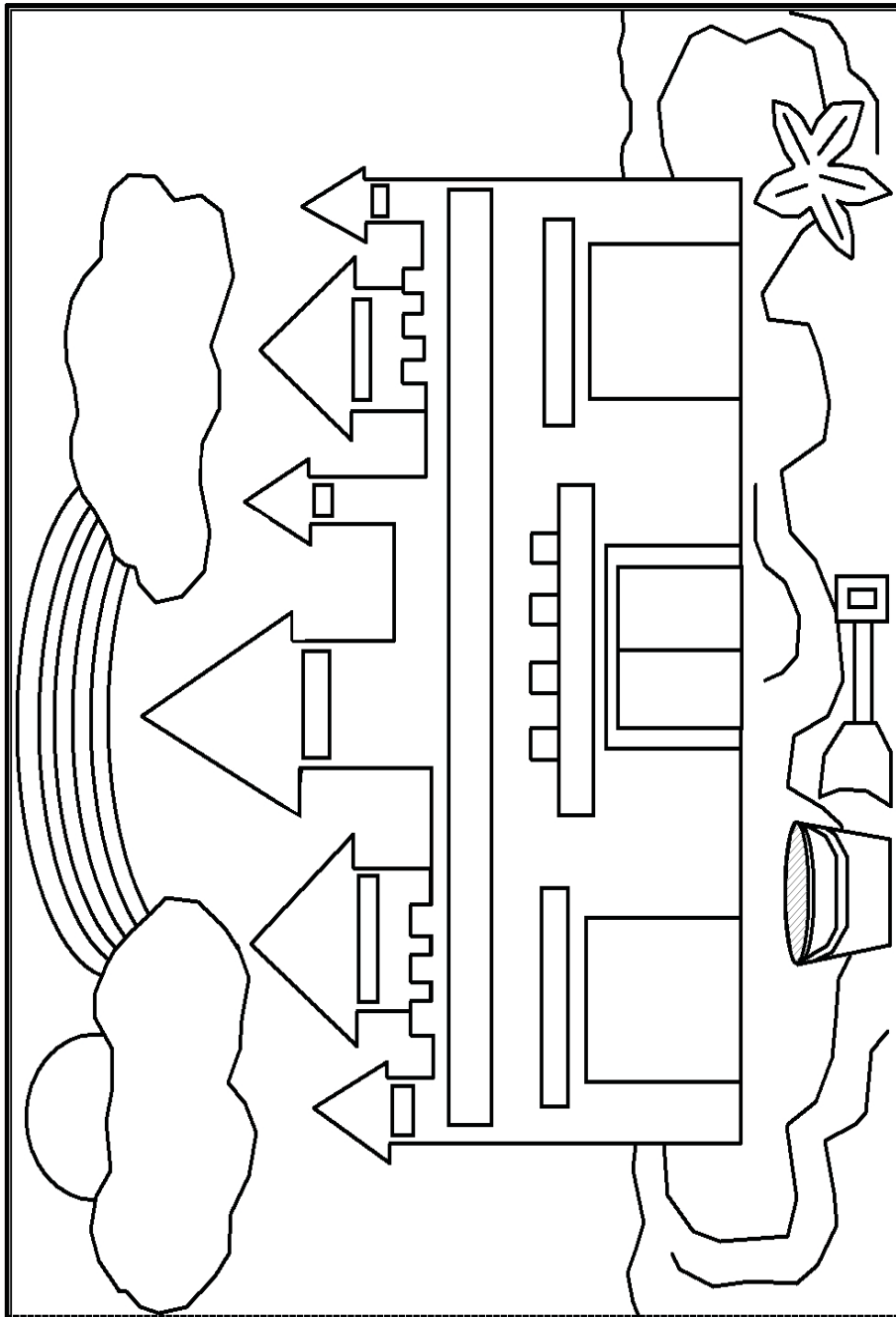
O beautiful for spacious skies  
 For amber waves of grain,  
 For purple mountains majesty  
 Above thy fruited plain!

America! America!  
 God shed his grace on thee  
 And crown thy good with brotherhood  
 From sea to shining sea!

J  
 U  
 L  
 Y

Fill in the blanks starting with the letters of the month to make a fun poem!

# Color Me!



# Wordsearch

T	R	A	C	T	O	R	E	D	R	E	S	S	H	T	U	B	E	S	X
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| BALLS        | COW        | PEOPLE    | SLIDE     |
| BARGE        | DAMS       | PEORIA    | SPORTS    |
| BARN         | DRESS      | PHYSICS   | STAGE     |
| BOOKS        | DUMPTRUCK  | PIG       | THEATER   |
| BRIDGE       | FARM       | PLANTS    | TOOLS     |
| BUBBLE       | FISH       | PLAYHOUSE | TRACTOR   |
| BUCKET       | HAY        | PULLEY    | TRAIN     |
| BUILDING     | HEART      | PUMPKIN   | TREES     |
| BULLDOZER    | HORSE      | RAMP      | TUBES     |
| CARROTS      | HOUSE      | RIVER     | WATER     |
| CASTLE       | HUBCAP     | ROCKS     | WATERFALL |
| CHICKEN      | KIDS       | SAND      | VACUUM    |
| CLIMBER      | LEAVES     | SCIENCE   |           |
| CONSTRUCTION | MICROSCOPE | SHOVEL    |           |
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# July Is:

Blueberries Month. National Recreation and Parks Month.  
 Family Reunion Month. National Grilling Month.  
 National Hot Dog Month. National Ice Cream Month.  
 National Make A Difference to Children Month.

Get in the 4th of July spirit with this fun to eat craft! You will need a sheet of paper, a pencil, tape, waxed paper, a cookie sheet, four squares of almond bark, a resealable plastic bag and scissors, and red and blue cake-decorating sprinkles. Draw a stars-and-stripes flag design on the paper. Cover your design with a piece of waxed paper, and tape both pieces to a cookie sheet. Melt the almond bark as directed on the package. Spoon the melted candy into a plastic bag, and cut a small hole in one corner of the bag. Pipe the candy over the stars and stripes in your design. Before it hardens, add blue sprinkles to the stars and red sprinkles to some of the stripes.

TUESDAY 1

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WEDNESDAY 2

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THURSDAY  3

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Peoria Park District Event: July 3rd Fireworks

FRIDAY 4

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Independence Day  
 Peoria Riverfront Fireworks Display

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 5/6

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PlayHouse, Jr. Shoppes at Grand Prairie, 10:30 am - 1:00 pm (5th)

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How many different words can you make out of FIREWORKS? Hint: fire. work. works. fork. we...



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### Easy as 1...2...3!

Go on a Bike Ride: Pack a picnic and make it an all day outing.

Build Sandcastles: In a sandpit or on a beach, make flags from paper and straws for the top.

Delightful Day Camp: Set up a tent and provide picnic food, and have a day camp in the back yard.

MONDAY

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Chocolate Day

FRIDAY

11

TUESDAY

8

Peoria Park District Event: Twilight Theater (All Tuesdays in July)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY

12/13

Luthy Botanical Garden - Gigs in the Garden (13th)

WEDNESDAY

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NOTES

THURSDAY



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“Oklahoma” presented by the Community Children’s Theatre  
July 10th-13th, Peoria Players Theatre



Collect various objects from outside (rocks, leaves, twigs, bark) and put them one at a time in a shoe box. Shake the box to see what sound each object makes.



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# Yum!

Conduct a Blind Taste Test!

Blindfold each child in turn and provide a few different types of foods. Mark down which ones they get right. Provide a small prize for the winner. This also might be a way to get a little one to try and like something new!

MONDAY

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FRIDAY



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Peoria Park District Event: Annual Youth Music Festival, Glen Oak Park

TUESDAY

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Gummi Worm Day

SATURDAY/SUNDAY

19/20

Toss Away the "Could Haves" and "Should Haves" Day (19th)  
Peoria Chiefs vs. Great Lakes Loons (July 19th-21st)

WEDNESDAY

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Peoria Chiefs vs. Lansing Lugnuts (July 16th-18th)

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THURSDAY

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Help Mom or Dad match socks while folding the laundry.  
Count how many matches you make.



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### Reading is FUNdamental...

Put on a Play: Provide a good story book and get the children to choose parts and act it out.

Read-athon: Hold a read-a-thon, see how many books they can read in an allotted time.

Visit the Library: Try to go when it is story-telling time.

MONDAY

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Cow Appreciation Day

FRIDAY

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TUESDAY

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SATURDAY/SUNDAY

26/27

Take Your Houseplant For a Walk Day (27th)

WEDNESDAY

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Gorgeous Grandma Day

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THURSDAY

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Make a collage of objects that are your favorite color using pictures from a magazine.

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Peoria Chiefs vs. Kane County Cougars (July 19th-31st)

WEDNESDAY

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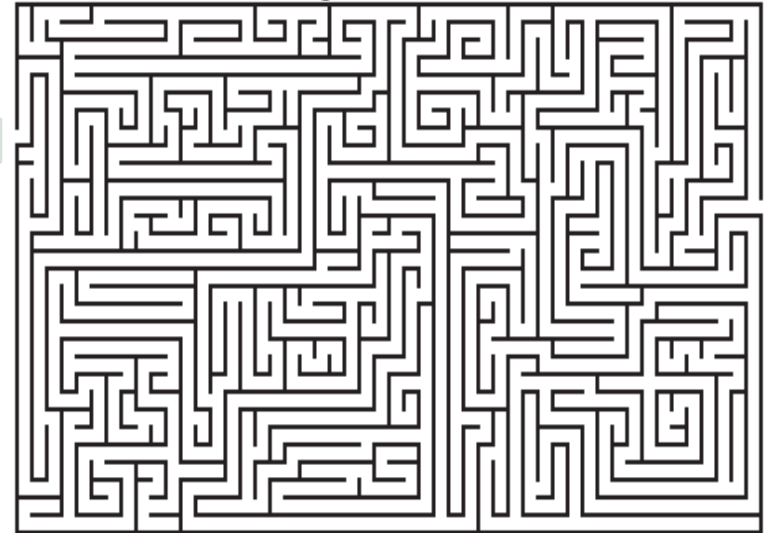
THURSDAY

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Organize some small toys or buttons by color.

# Crazy Mazes

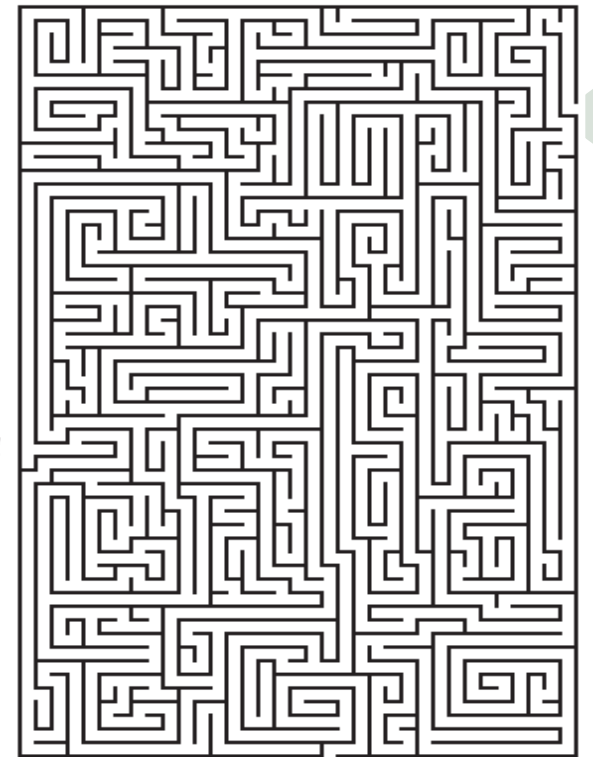
Start



Finish

Do you have to study math facts? Get someone to play this game with you. Your partner starts at 0, and gives you a math problem to solve, for example  $(0+4)$  and you say the answer-4. The person then gives you another problem starting with the number 4  $(4+6)$  and you say 10. The person continues to give you problems, adding or subtracting from the previous answer until you get back to 0. This works with multiplication and division, or a mixed up jumble of everything.

Finish



Start

# Jokes Galore!

Teacher: Why does the statue of liberty stand in New York harbour?

Pupil: Because it can't sit down!

What was Camelot?

A place where people parked their camels!

Who gave the Liberty Bell to Philadelphia?

Must have been a duck family.

A duck family?

Didn't you say there was a quack in it?

Teacher: Where is your homework?

Pupil: I lost it fighting this kid who said you weren't the best teacher in the school.

Teacher: If  $1+1=2$  and  $2+2=4$ , what is  $4+4$ ?

Pupil: That's not fair! You answer the easy ones and leave us with the hard one!

Teacher: How much is half of 8?

Pupil: Up and down or across?

Teacher: What do you mean?

Pupil: Well, up and down makes a 3 or across the middle leaves a 0!

Teacher: Class, we will have only half a day of school this morning.

Class: Hooray!

Teacher: We will have the other half this afternoon!

Teacher: What are the Great Plains?

Pupil: 747, Concorde and F-16!

Teacher: Why is the Mississippi such an unusual river?

Pupil: Because it has four eyes and can't see!

Teacher: You missed school yesterday didn't you?

Pupil: Not very much!

Why was George Washington buried at Mount Vernon?

Because he was dead!

Teacher: Where is the English Channel?

Pupil: I don't know, my TV doesn't pick it up.

What is a forum?

Two-um plus two-um!

Great news, teacher says we have a test today come rain or shine.

So what's so great about that?

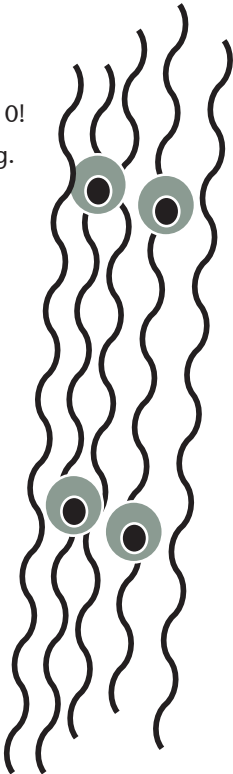
It's snowing outside!

How did Columbus's men sleep on their ships?

With their eyes shut!

Where was the Declaration of Independence signed?

At the bottom!



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# August



August Artist: Megan

“If you saw a heat wave, would you wave back?”  
- Steven Wright

