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Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
OVERBOARD
The adverb *overboard* means over the side of a ship and into water.

The fisherman fell *overboard* when trying to pull the fish into the boat.

Try to use the word *overboard* in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

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Message in a Bottle

Over time, people have tucked messages into bottles and thrown them out to sea. Sometimes these messages are found long after they were sent. They each have a special story to tell.

Oldest Message in a Bottle Found!

The world's oldest known message in a bottle was found half-buried at a West Australian beach almost 132 years after it was tossed into the Indian Ocean. It was part of an experiment by German mariners to discover faster shipping routes by seeing where the messages drifted. The message asked anyone finding it to contact German authorities telling where it was found. Thousands of these bottles were thrown overboard over a 69 year period.

The message was dated June 12, 1886. What year was it found if it was 132 years old when it was discovered?

Find the two identical bottles.



How many bottles can you find on this page?

10-Year-Old's Message Found

On September 12, 1990, a ten-year-old English girl named Zoe threw a bottle with a message overboard from a ferry. Twenty-three years later while walking along a dike, a Dutch couple found the bottle with her message. They sent a note to her childhood home and reached her!

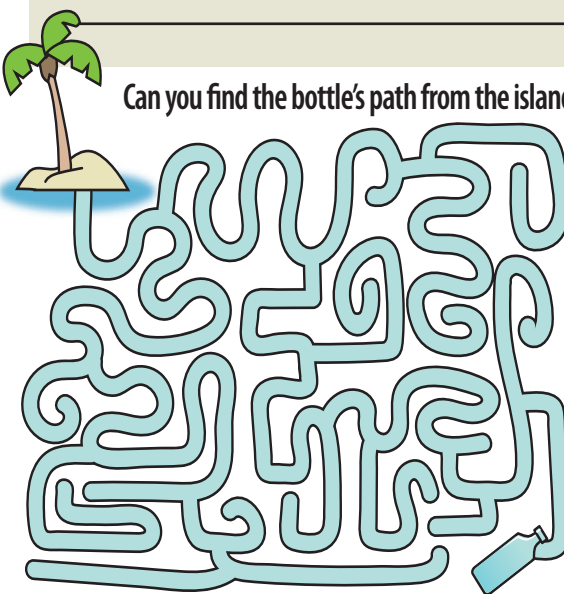
Use the code to read Zoe's message:

DEAR FINDER,
MY NAME IS ZOE. _____ WOULD YOU
_____ I WOULD LIKE IT A
_____ LOT. I AM 10 YEARS OLD AND I LIKE _____
_____ PLAYING THE _____ AND THE PIANO. I HAVE A
_____ CALLED SPARKLE AND A _____
_____ CALLED _____

26= A 20= G 14= M 8= T
25= B 19= H 13= N 7= U
24= C 18= I 12= O 6= V
23= D 17= J 11= P 5= W
22= E 16= K 10= R 4= Y
21= F 15= L 9= S 3= Z

What would you write? Imagine you are going to toss a bottle with a message into the ocean. What would you write? Write it here!

Can you find the bottle's path from the island?



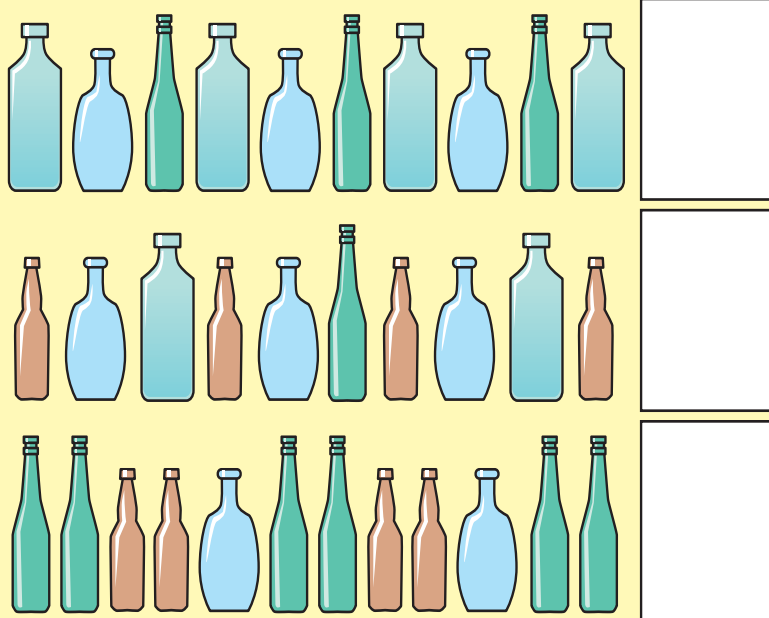
Extra! Extra!
Bottled Words

Find five nouns and five adjectives in today's newspaper. Write a message to send in a bottle that contains these 10 words.

Standards Link: Vocabulary Development: Students identify nouns and adjectives.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Draw the bottle that should come next to continue the pattern in each row.

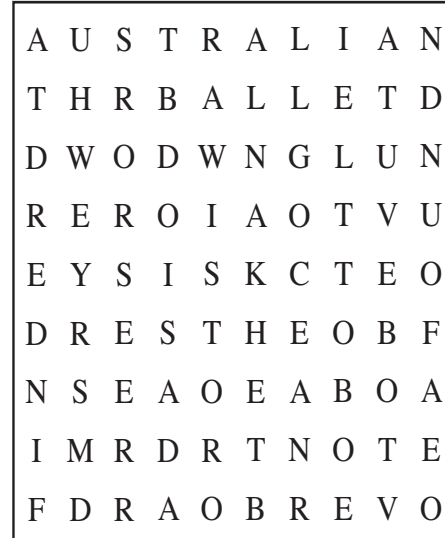


Standards Link: Comprehension: Students identify and extend simple patterns.

Double Word Search

AUSTRALIAN
OVERBOARD
MESSAGE
BOTTLE
TOSSED
BALLET
FINDER
DUTCH
OCEAN
FOUND
WRITE
DIKE
NOTE
YEAR
SEA

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Letters to the Editor

Sending a letter to the editor of a newspaper is a way to get a message to thousands of people! Find the letters to the editor of this newspaper. Read what people have to say. Write a letter to the editor about something you care about.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

How do you fit two elephants in a bottle without them touching each other?

ANSWER: Put a third one in between them.

