

# Alphabetising Animals Challenges



There are three levels of challenges to choose from, ranging from easy to difficult! First, cut out the cards from your chosen challenge level. They can then be given as a set to a group, or handed out individually to each member of your class. Children are then challenged to work together to put the cards into alphabetical order as quickly as they can!

# Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 1

elephant

iguana

newt

vole

swordfish

frog

deer

tiger

tortoise

orangutan

jaguar

eagle

wasp

dolphin

zebra

yak

# Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 1

ant

puffin

quail

heron

buffalo

whale

kangaroo

robin

sloth

alligator

gorilla

leopard

octopus

cow

rhinoceros

meerkat

## Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 2

flamingo

woodpecker

wombat

antelope

badger

meerkat

anteater

ferret

millipede

mosquito

angelfish

worm

mouse

alligator

armadillo

moth

## Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 2

buffalo

fox

llama

baboon

falcon

lemming

wolf

whale

beaver

lobster

leopard

buzzard

flea

walrus

bison

lemur

# Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 3

salamander

skunk

seahorse

snake

squirrel

scorpion

shrimp

spider

sparrow

squid

slug

shark

sloth

snail

salmon

sheep

# Alphabetising Animals Challenge - LEVEL 3

stork

swallow

swordfish

springbok

starling

seal

serval

shrew

stonefish

skate

stoat

sawfly

skylark

stingray

sunfish

swan

## LEVEL 1 ANSWERS

ALLIGATOR
ANT
BUFFALO
COW
DEER
DOLPHIN
EAGLE
ELEPHANT
FROG
GORILLA
HERON
IGUANA
JAGUAR
KANGAROO
LEOPARD
MEERKAT
NEWT
OCTOPUS
ORANGUTAN
PUFFIN
QUAIL
RHINOCEROS
ROBIN
SLOTH
SWORDFISH
TIGER
TORTOISE
VOLE
WASP
WHALE
YAK
ZEBRA

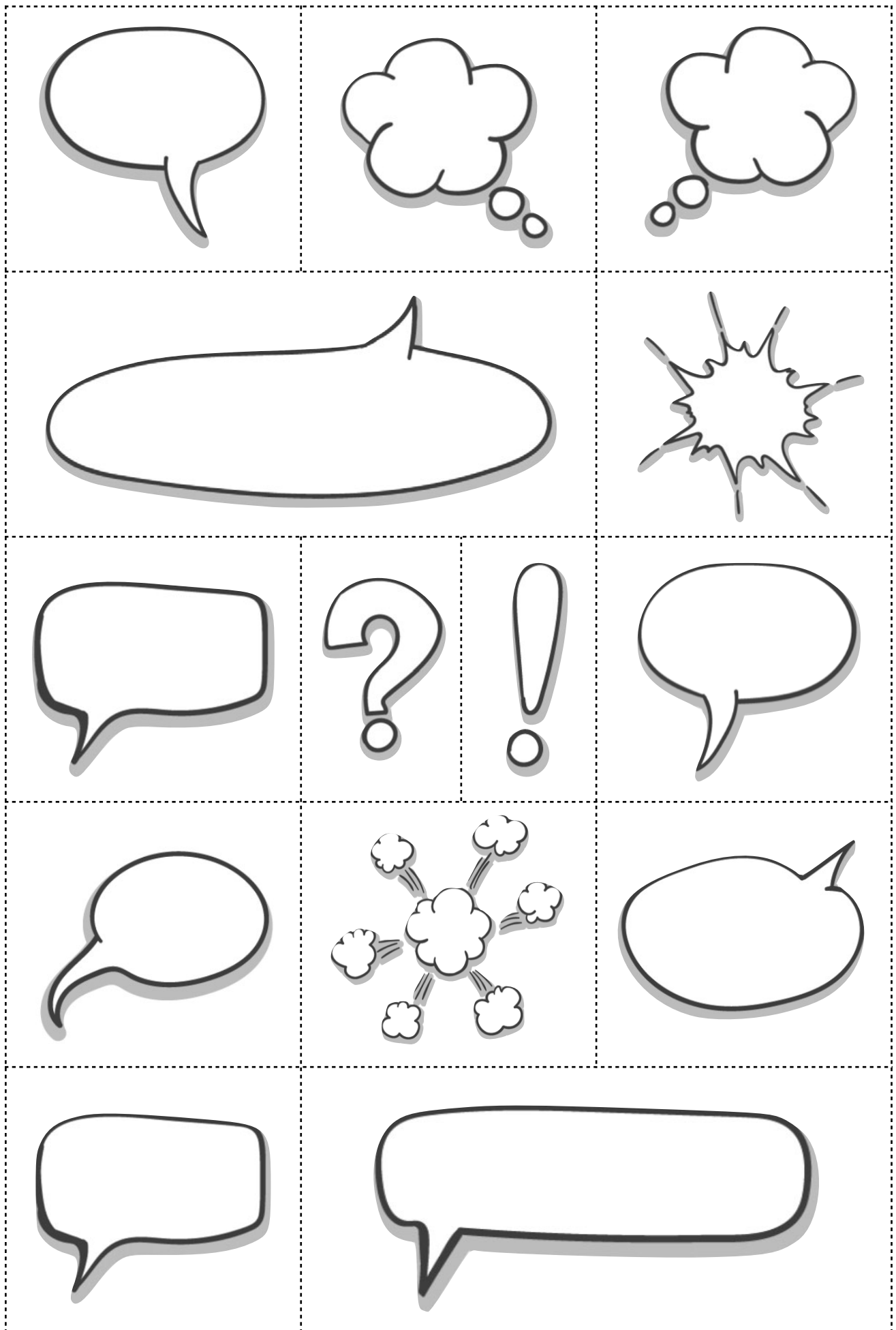
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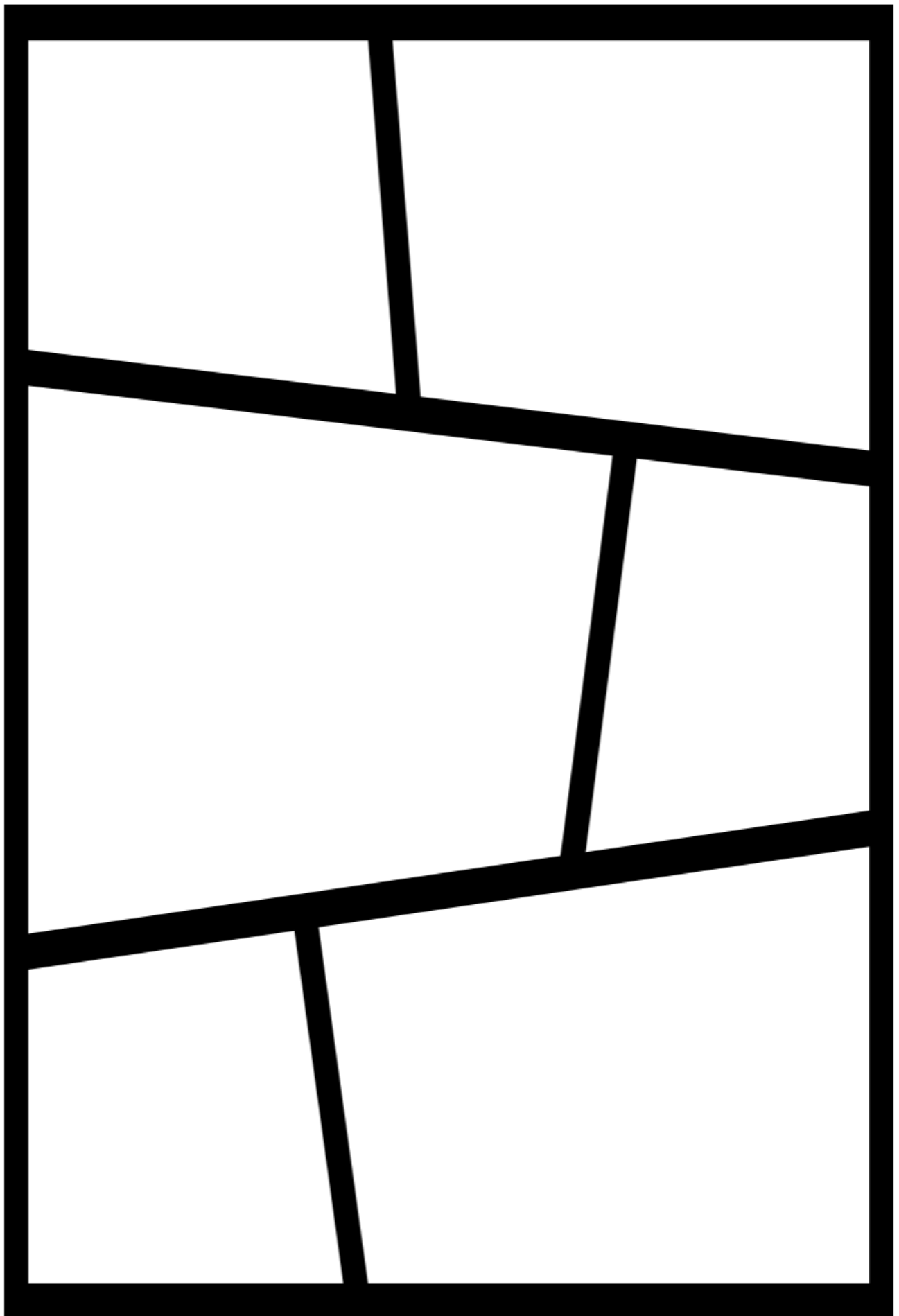
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FERRET
FLAMINGO
FLEA
FOX
LLAMA
LEMMING
LEMUR
LEOPARD
LOBSTER
MEERKAT
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MOUSE
WALRUS
WHALE
WOLF
WOMBAT
WOODPECKER
WORM

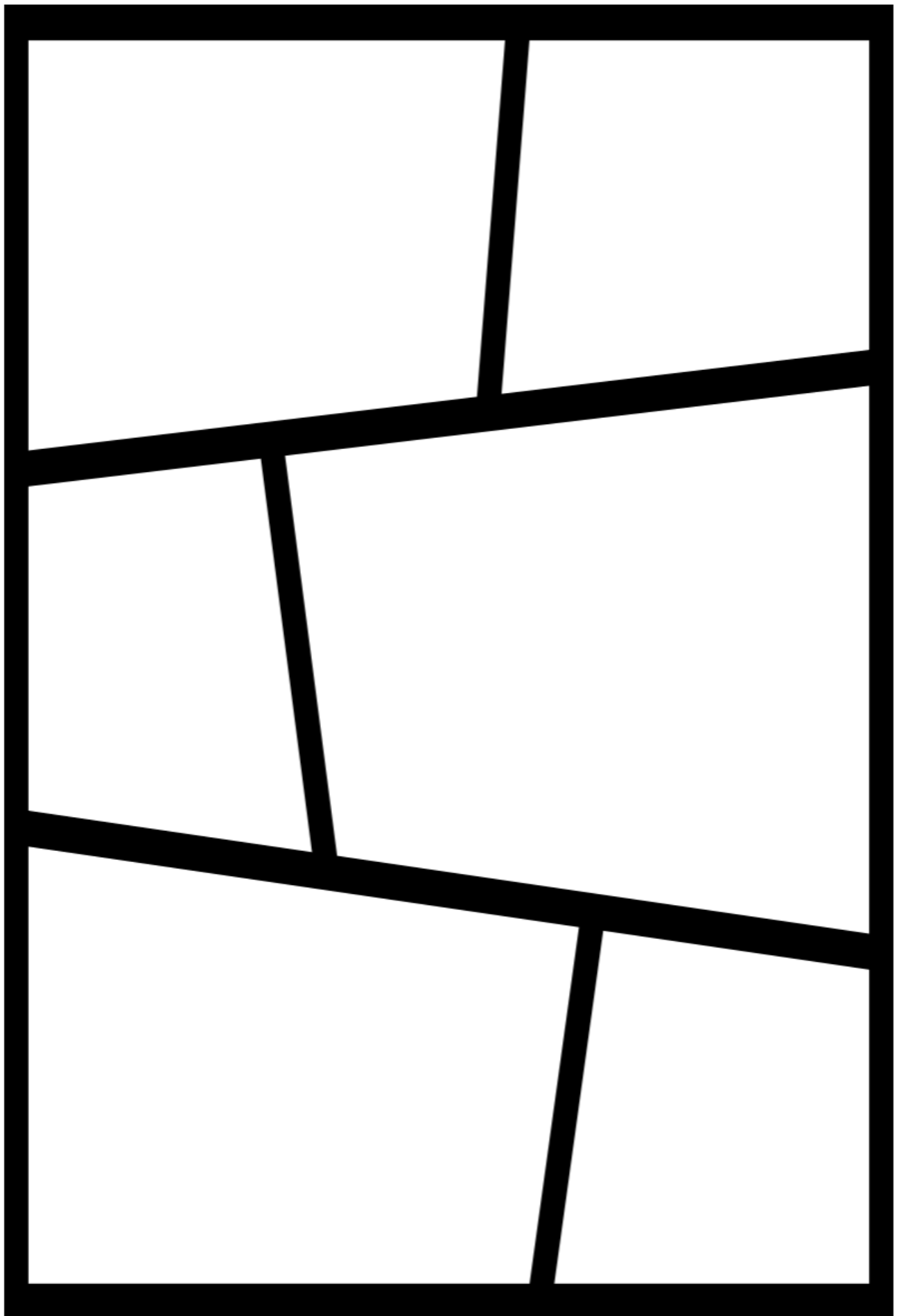
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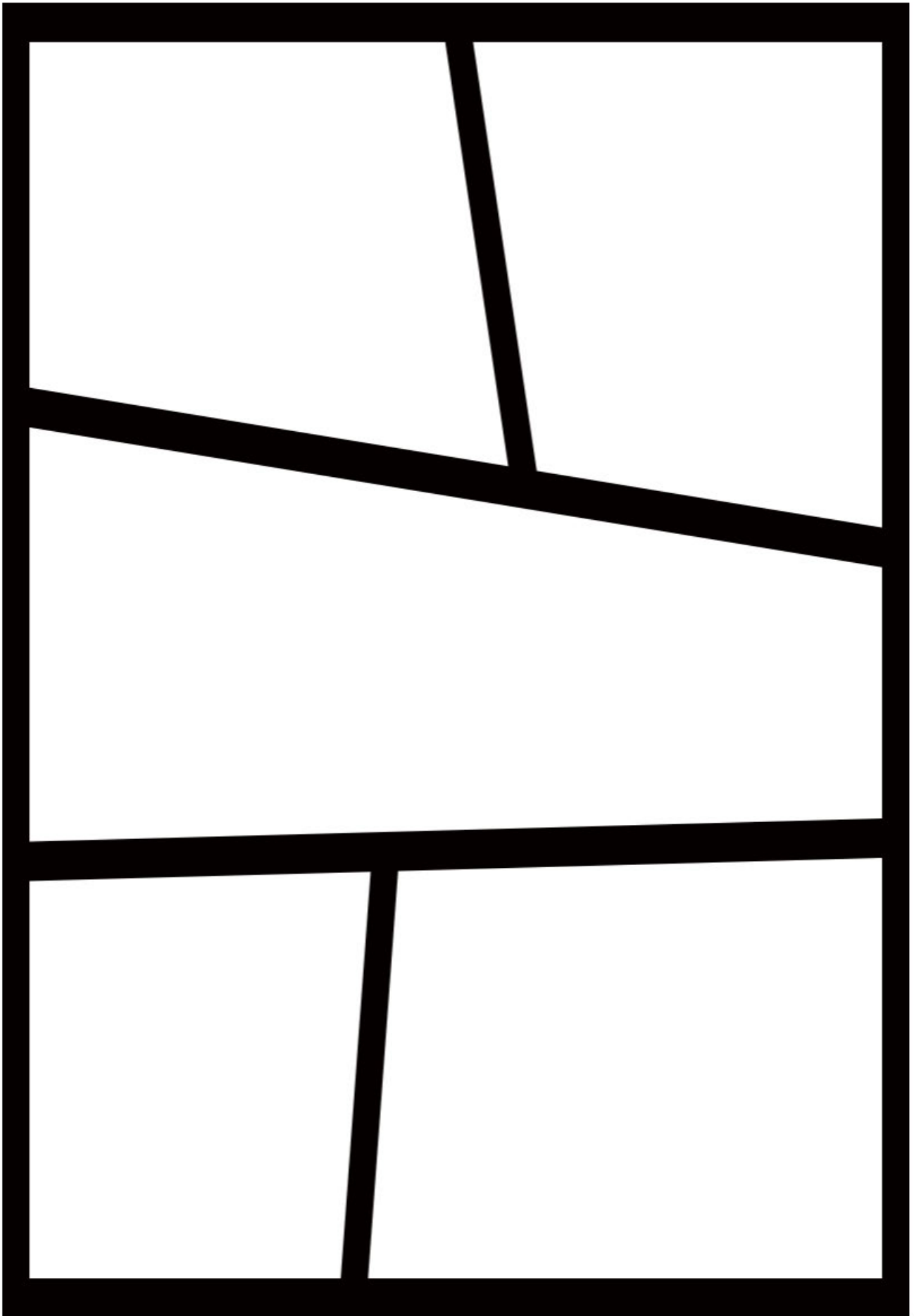
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SEAL
SERVAL
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SHEEP
SHREW
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SKYLARK
SLOTH
SLUG
SNAIL
SNAKE
SPARROW
SPIDER
SPRINGBOK
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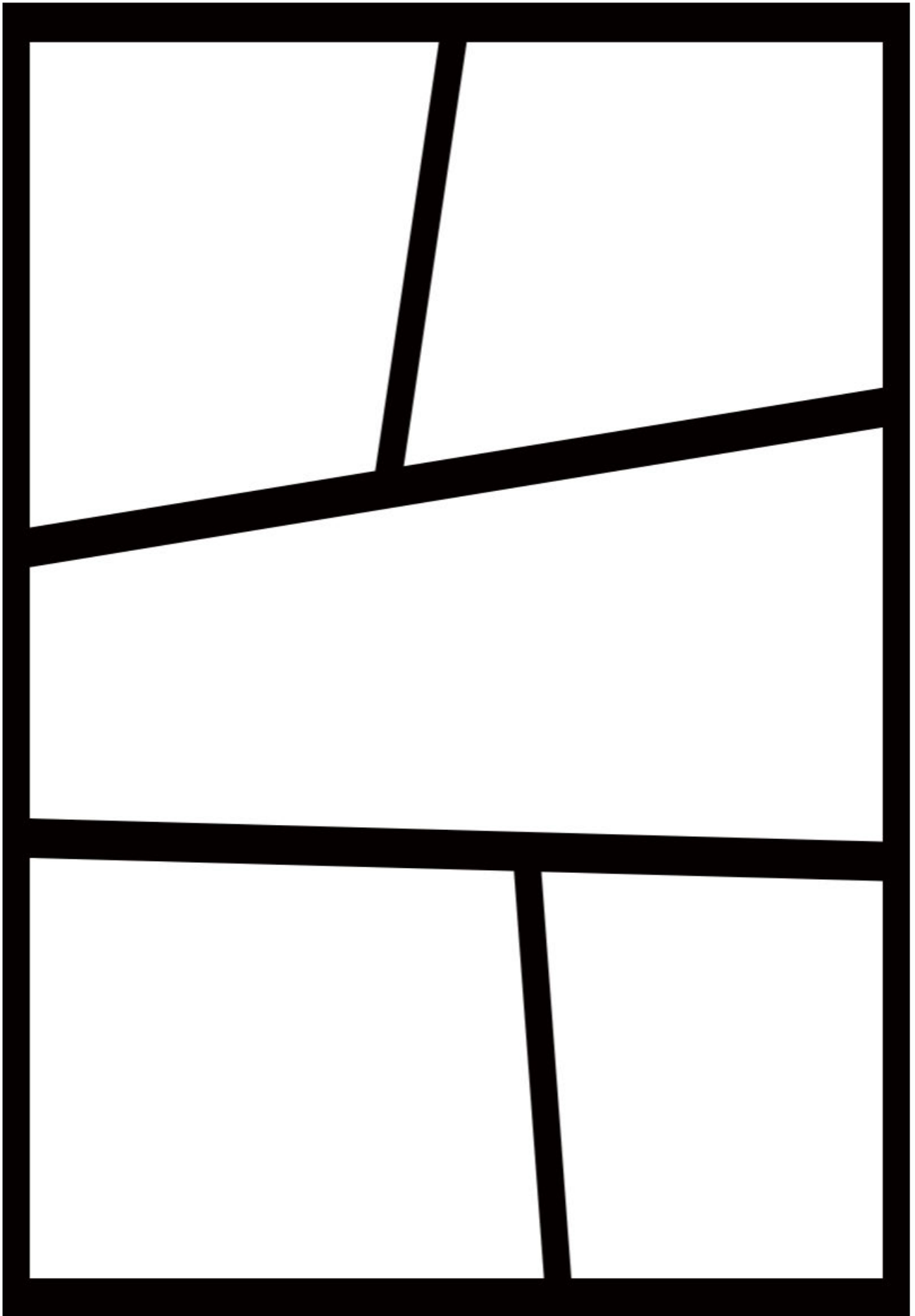


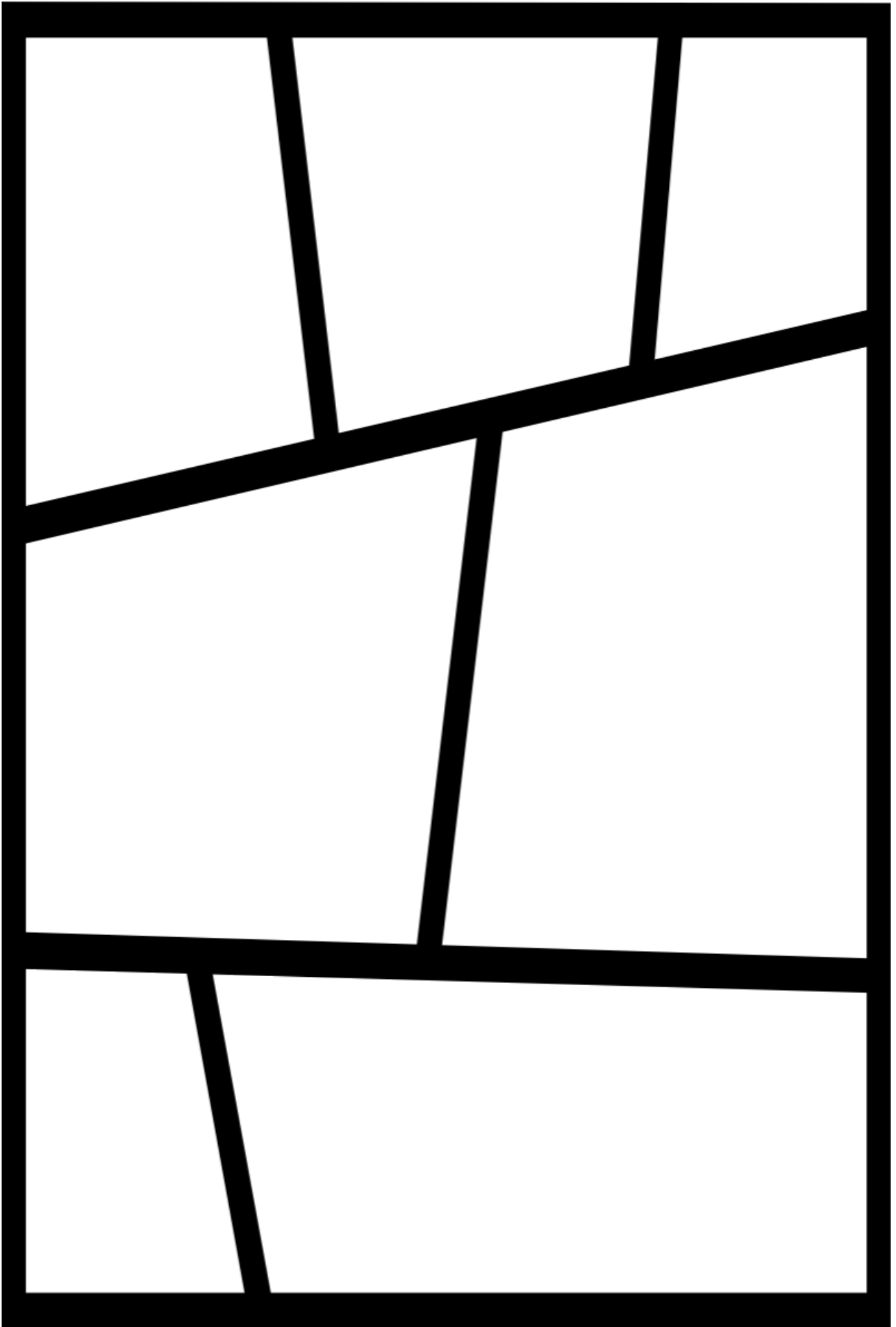


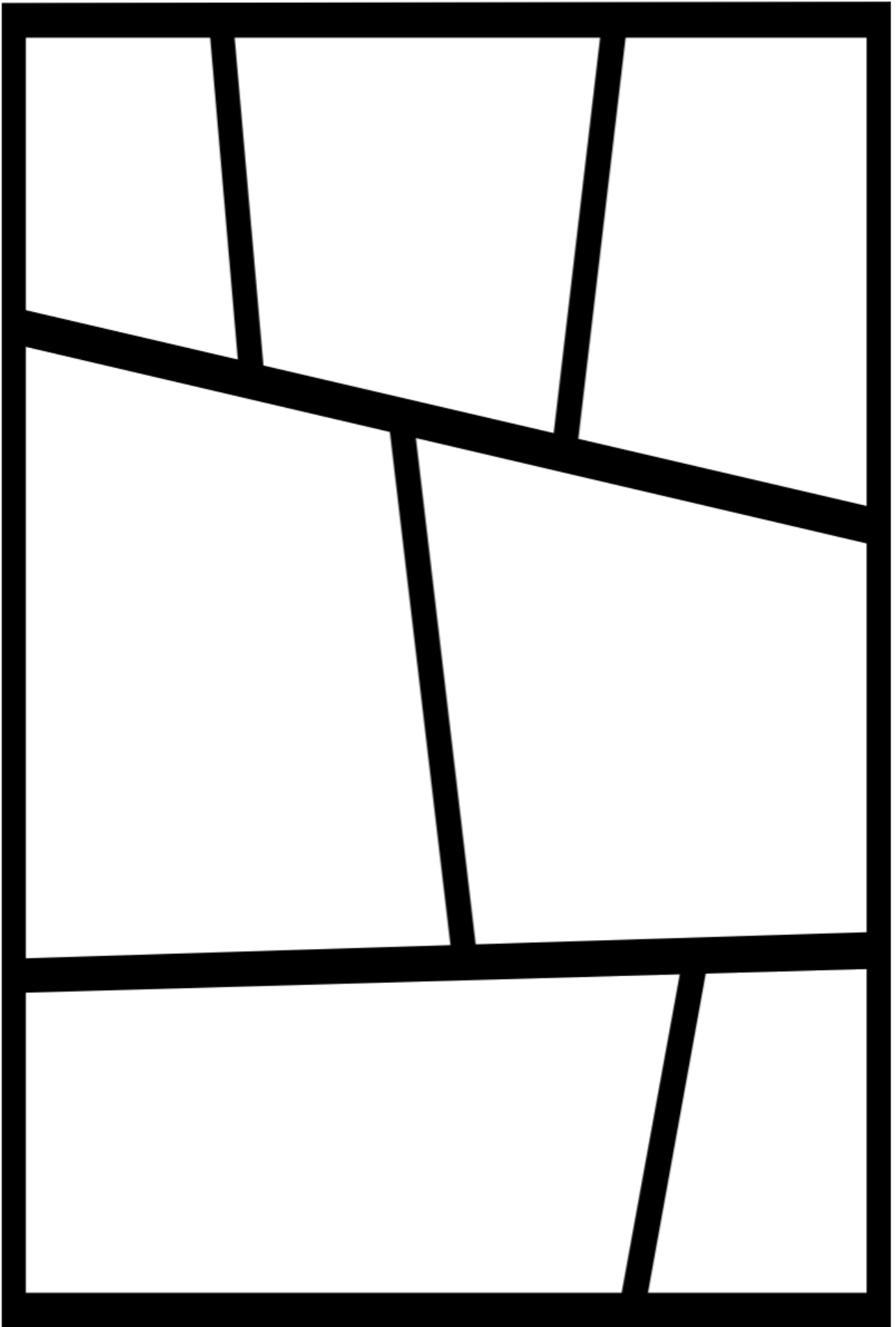














START  
HERE...

Change a verb in  
your sentence.

Explain when the  
action happened.

Add an adjective  
to your sentence.

Explain how the  
action happened.

Make sure your  
sentence is a  
fronted adverbial.

## Developing Descriptive Sentences Game

This is a game for two players. You will need a dice and two counters,  
and each of you will need a Boring Sentence Card.

1. Begin by placing your counters on the START HERE square.
2. Take it in turns to throw the dice, moving clockwise around the board.
3. Each player needs to change or add to their Boring Sentence, depending on the instructions on the square they land on.\*
4. After three throws of the dice each, compare your new, improved sentences - whose do you think is the best?!

\*If you land on an instruction that you have already completed, throw the dice again.

Add an adjective  
to your sentence.

Explain how the  
action happened.

Explain where the  
action happened.

Explain when the  
action happened.

Change a verb in  
your sentence.

Explain where the  
action happened.

Make sure your  
sentence is a  
fronted adverbial.

Change a verb in  
your sentence.

Explain when the  
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## Boring Sentence Cards



The man walked across the road.

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The mouse ran away from the cat.

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Danny sang at the concert.

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Harriet baked a cake.

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## Boring Sentence Cards



The dog jumped in the puddle.

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The phone rang.

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Anish unwrapped the parcel.

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Mrs Edwards put her umbrella up.

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## Boring Sentence Cards



The spider crawled on the ceiling.

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The trees moved in the wind.

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The door creaked open.

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The rabbit ate some grass.

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# Boring Sentence Cards



A large, empty, rounded rectangular box for writing a sentence.

Five horizontal blue lines for writing.



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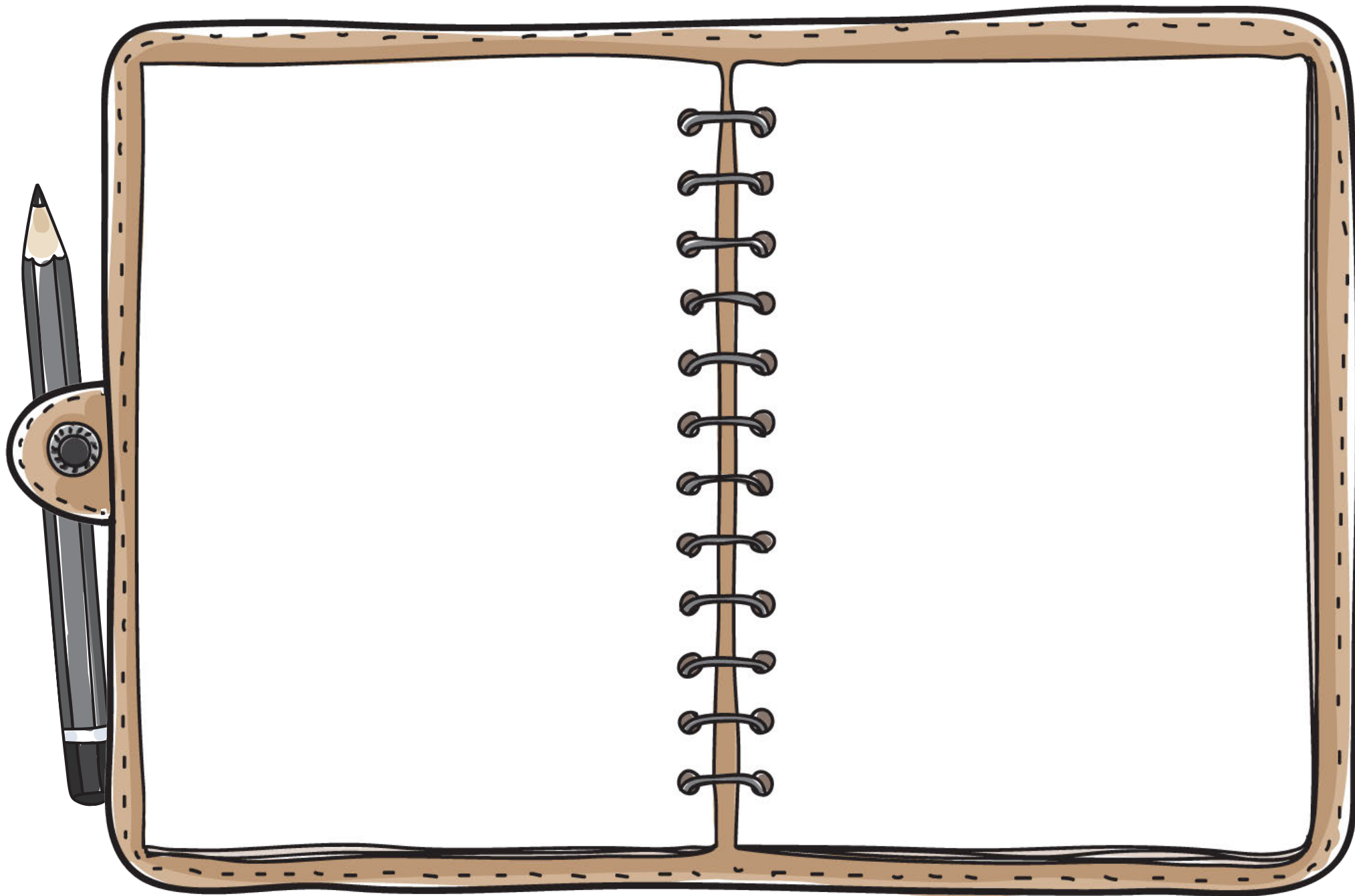
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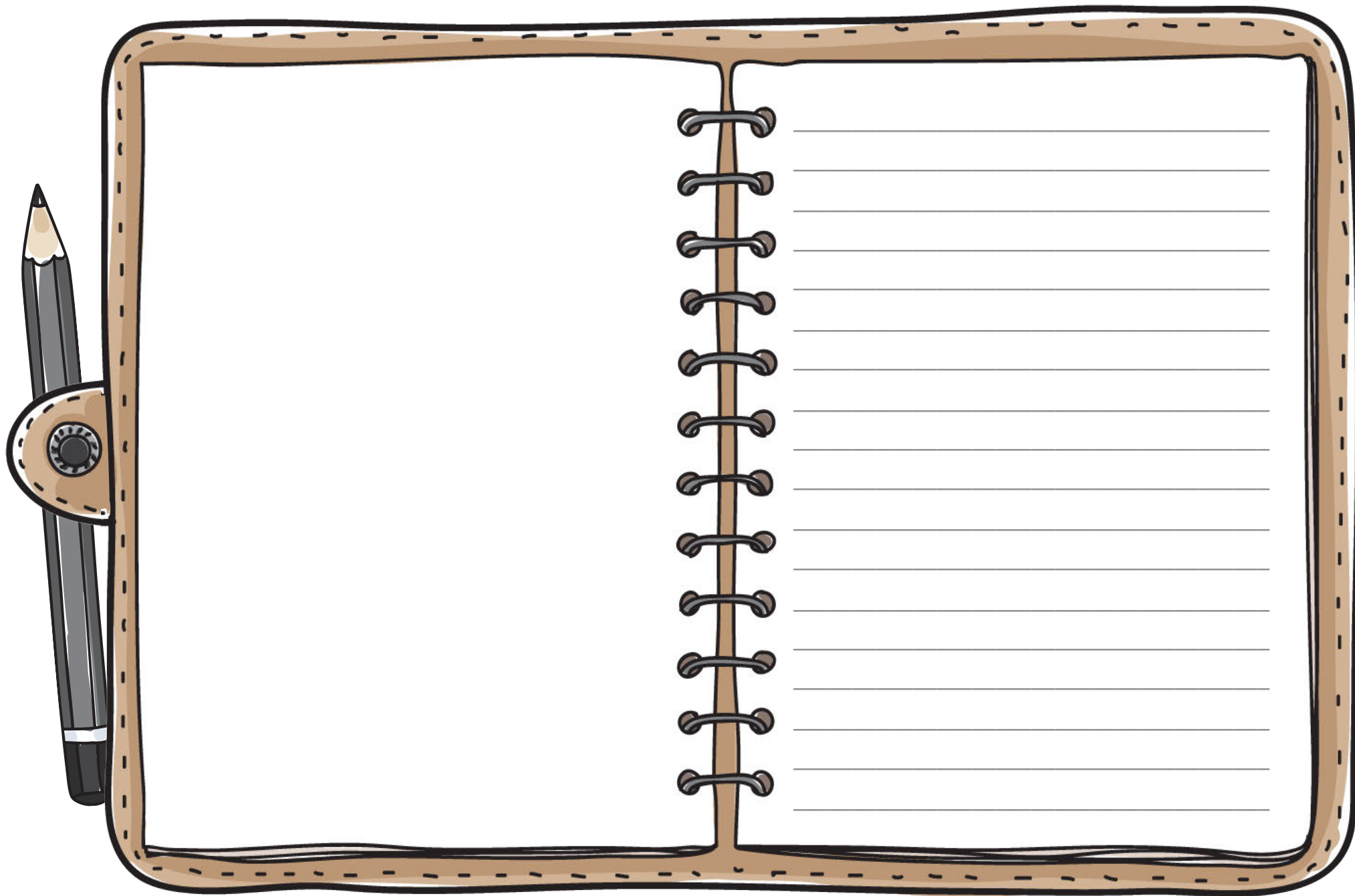
Five horizontal blue lines for writing.

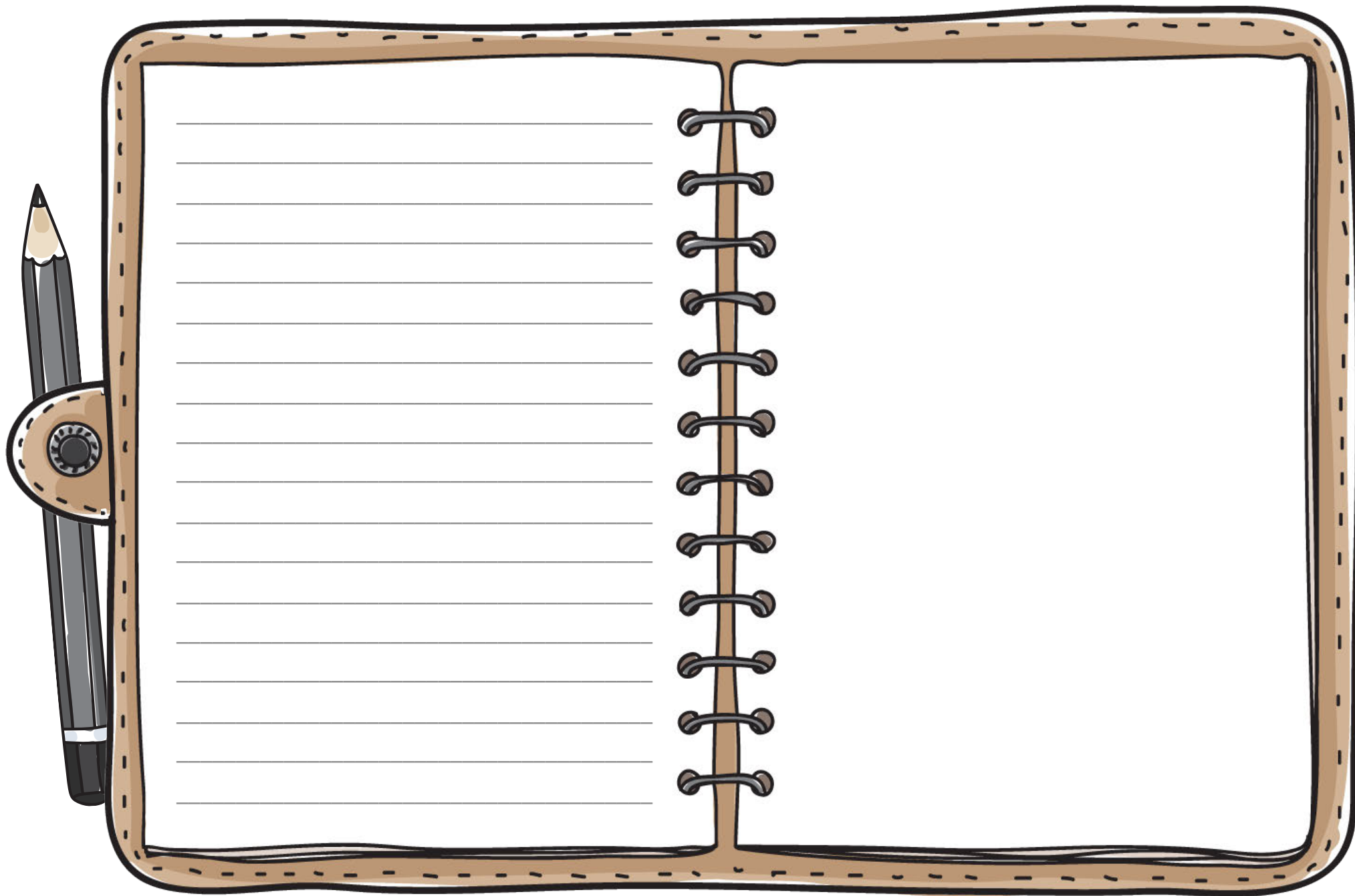


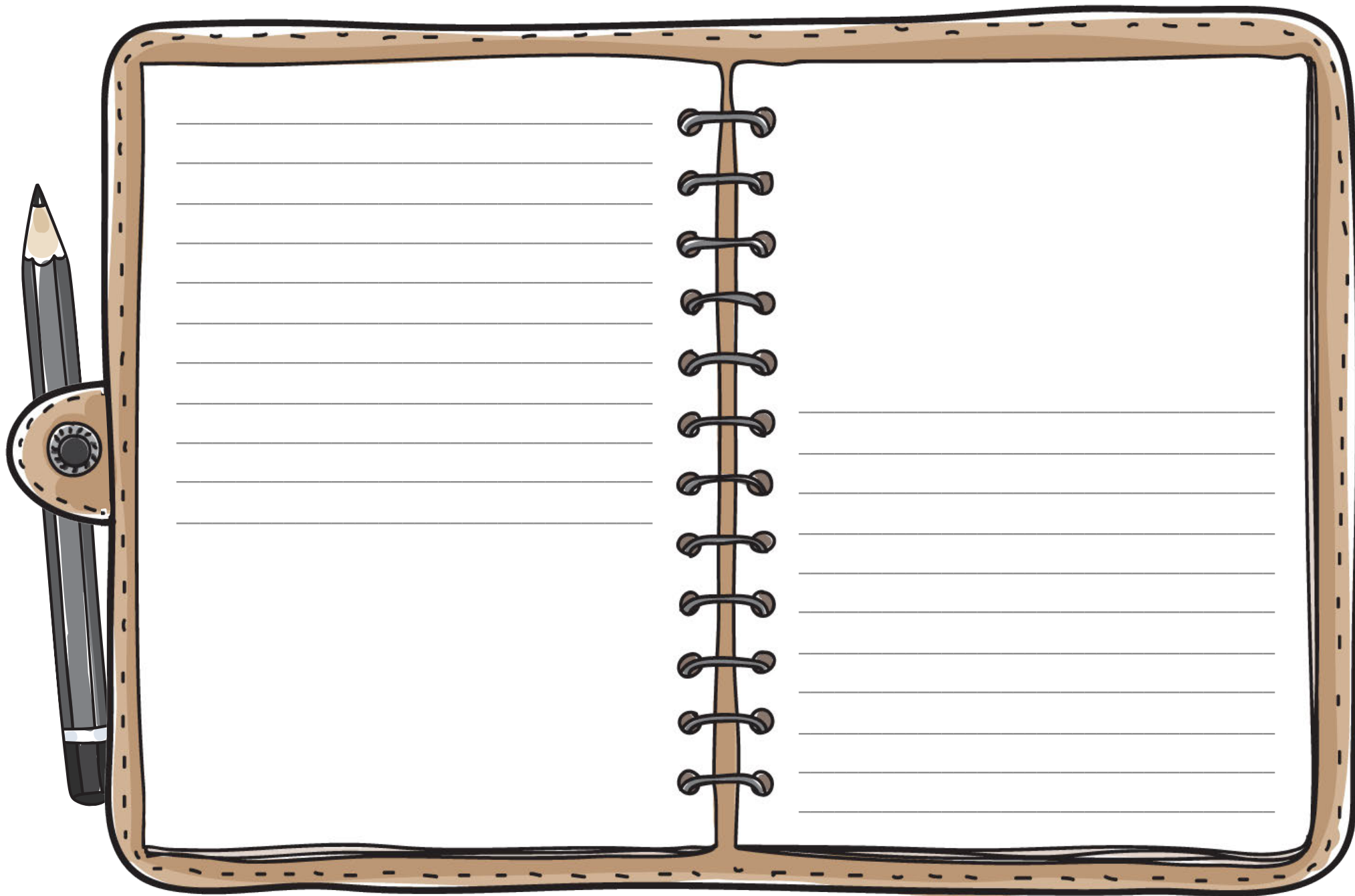
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# PlanBee Home Learning Pack

## LKS2 English (Year 3 & Year 4)

### Year 3 & Year 4 Spelling Lists

These spelling lists are all the words as set out by the National Curriculum that your child should be able to spell by the end of Year 4. Choose a few words at a time to focus on. Can your child say the word? Can they say it in a sentence? Can they spell it? Can they write it in a sentence?

### Diary Template

This flexible resource would be perfect for your child to keep a diary of everything they have done while they are learning at home instead of at school. Why not challenge them to fill one out every day? Encourage them to include their thoughts and feelings, as well as recounting what they have done.

### Cartoon Strips Template

This fun activity allows your child to create cartoon strips about absolutely anything! Why not challenge them to write their favourite story as a cartoon, turn a news event into a cartoon, or even create their own characters, plots and settings?

### Developing Descriptive Writing KS2 Game

This fun game that you can play with your child (or that your child can play with a sibling) challenges them to use a variety of different devices to amend a boring sentence to make it more descriptive. Once you've finished playing, why not challenge your child to write their own descriptive sentences to describe a familiar scene, or to describe their own fantasy world!

### What Happened Next? Picture Prompts


Take one of these funny photos at a time and challenge your child to describe what happened immediately before and after each one. Spend some time discussing their ideas with them, then challenge them to write a story or a recount explaining what they think happened.

### Alphabetising Animals Challenge

There are three different levels of challenge for this activity. Cut out the cards in one set at a time and challenge your child to order the cards in alphabetical order. Once they've done these, why not generate a new list of words around a topic your child is studying, or one that interests them, and create your own version!

### Reading Question Matrix

Making sure that children understand what they are reading is just as important as making sure they can read the words. Every time you read a story with your child, whether they read to you or you read to them, choose a few questions from this Reading Question Matrix to see how well they have understood the text.



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## LKS2 English (Year 3 & Year 4)



### Synonym Word Searches

These word searches challenge your child to find synonyms for different words, such as 'said', within the grid. You may wish to provide them with a thesaurus to help them out!

### Word Puzzles

This selection of fun word puzzles will challenge your child to see how many words they can make from a set of given letters. The longer the word, the more points they get!


### Story Cards

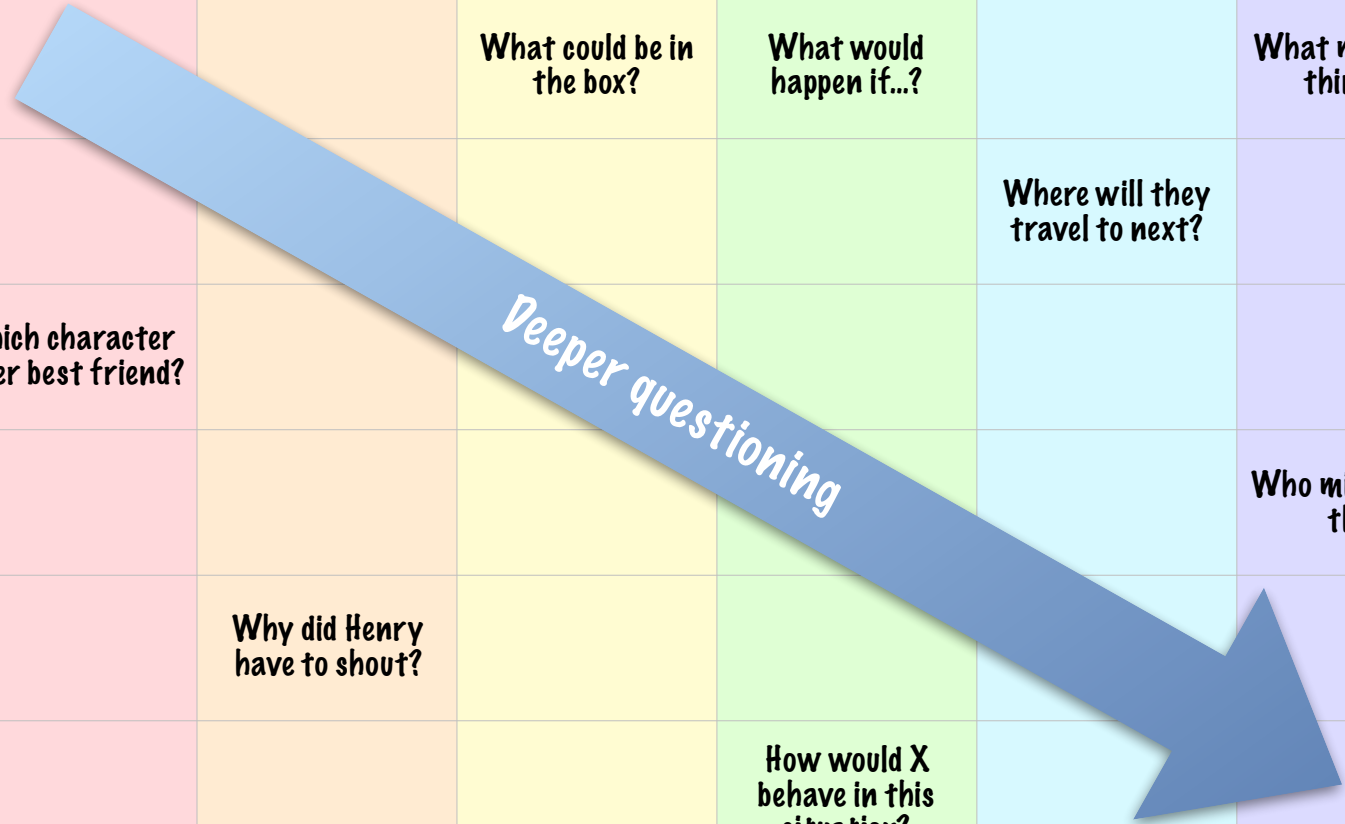
These cards are designed to provide your child with a setting, main character and special object as the basis for their story writing. Choose a card from each set and see what creative stories your child can come up with! They can write the story, act it out, create a cartoon...anything!



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# Reading Question Matrix

	Checking understanding		Discussing possibilities		Predicting and imagining	
	Is/are	Has/Did/Does	Can/could	Would	Will	Might
What			What could be in the box?	What would happen if...?		What might he be thinking?
Where					Where will they travel to next?	
Which	Which character is her best friend?					
Who						Who might rescue them?
Why		Why did Henry have to shout?				
How				How would X behave in this situation?		



Use this questioning matrix to help you use different kinds of questioning as you read with a child. The boxes are there to help you structure your questions e.g. Who could...? How might...? Why is...? etc. All readers should be asked questions from the red/orange sections, proceeding along the matrix towards the blue/purple end. These latter questions will be trickier to answer and require a deeper level of understanding and discussion about the story to answer.





**forest**



**ocean**



**outer space**



**school**



**desert**



**Arctic**



**beach**



**desert island**



**farm**



**savannah**



**mountain**



**jungle**





**wizard**



**witch**



**monster**



**prince**



**princess**



**fairy**



**doctor**



**policeman**



**explorer**



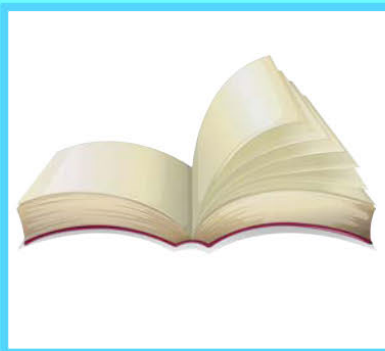
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**cowboy**



**scientist**



**book**



**roundabout**



**clock**



**crystal ball**



**penknife**



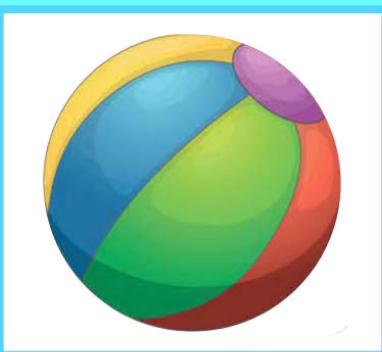
**pen and ink**



**binoculars**



**potion**



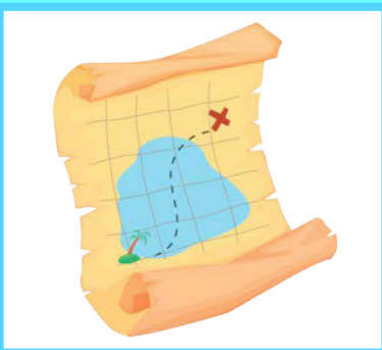
**ball**



**spaceship**

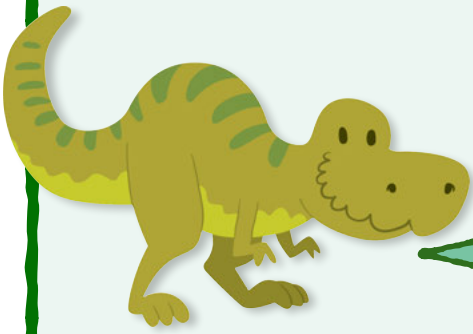


**hat**



**treasure map**

# SYNONYM WORD SEARCH

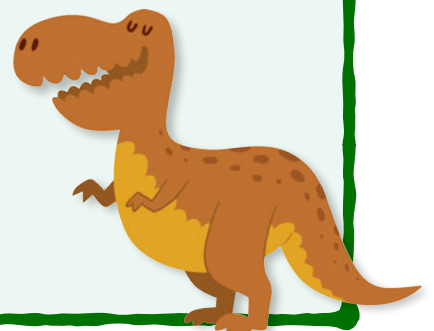


This word search contains 14 synonyms for the boring word 'said'. Can you find them all? You can use a **thesaurus** to help you search for any unfamiliar words.

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A	I	W	E	M	N	M	E	O	C	U	J	E
S	O	T	C	A	C	K	L	E	D	T	O	C
O	L	P	A	R	I	S	Y	U	Z	T	R	L
B	M	I	E	K	L	B	H	W	O	E	L	A
B	O	O	M	E	D	N	U	A	L	R	K	R
E	U	S	E	D	T	D	I	I	W	E	N	E
D	T	B	R	T	Y	E	L	L	E	D	X	D
A	H	I	S	S	E	D	Y	E	S	H	U	I
Q	E	F	R	E	W	L	S	D	T	V	B	A
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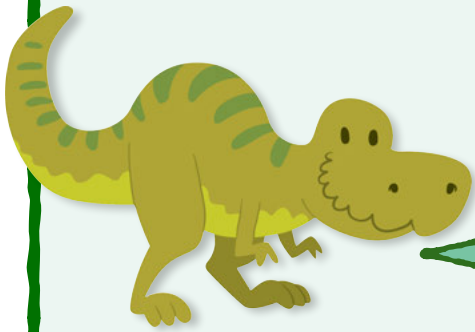
What do you call a dinosaur who always uses boring words?

**A Dinobore!**





# SYNONYM WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

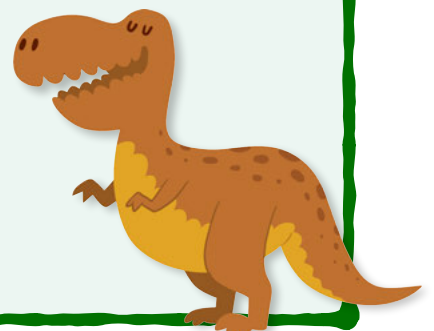


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# SYNONYM WORD SEARCH



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H	A	B	L	T	U	Z	Y	L	K	F	S	A
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C	P	L	O	D	N	M	I	O	P	S	E	R
B	E	E	S	T	D	P	F	T	E	A	T	L
H	E	A	F	L	O	U	N	C	E	I	O	N

What do you call a dinosaur with a very good vocabulary?

**A Thesaurus!**



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# SYNONYM WORD SEARCH



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Which dinosaur is always sad?

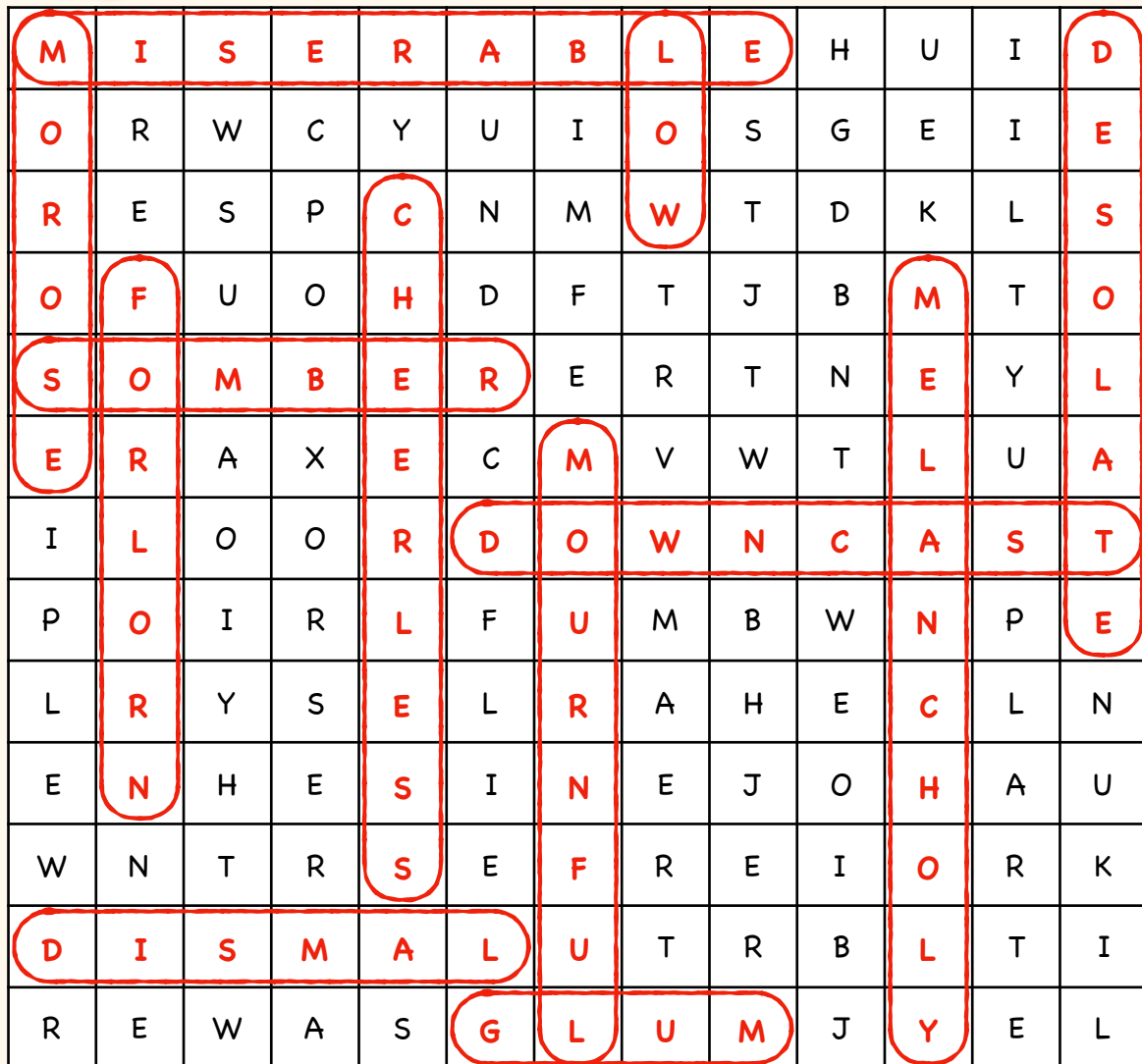
**A Cryalophosaurus!**



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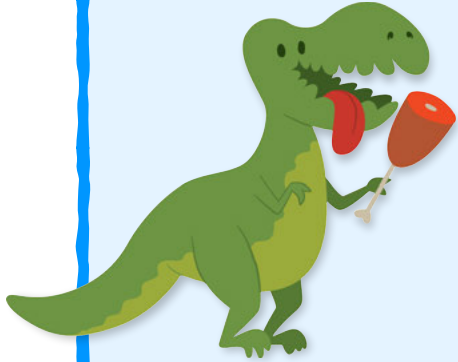


Which dinosaur is always sad?

**A Cryalophosaurus!**



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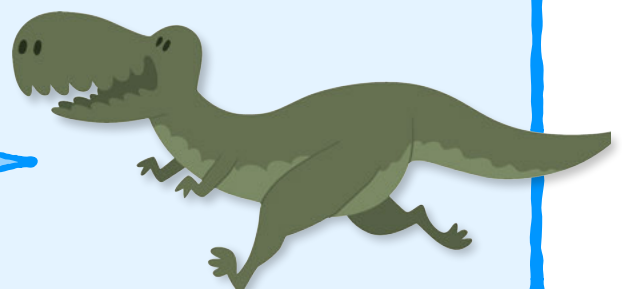


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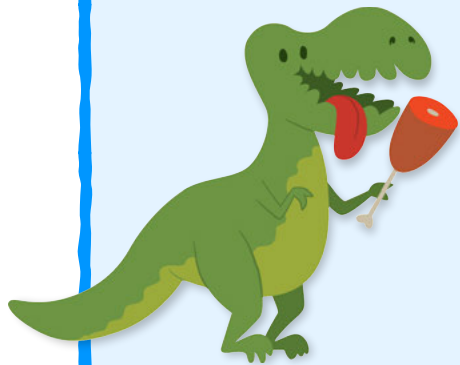
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D	N	E	C	S	T	A	T	I	C	I	A	R

Which dinosaur never gives up?

**A try-try-triceratops!**



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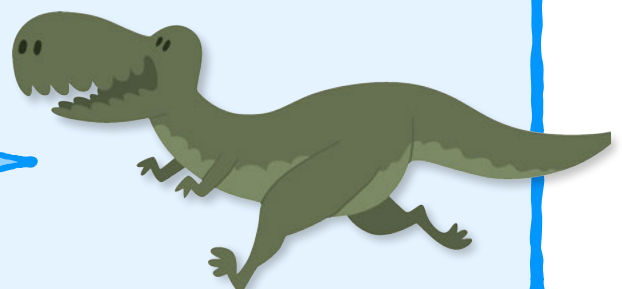


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E	I	L	S	A	T	I	S	F	I	E	D	A
D	N	E	C	S	T	A	T	I	C	I	A	R

Which dinosaur never gives up?

**A try-try-triceratops!**







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30 seconds before this picture  
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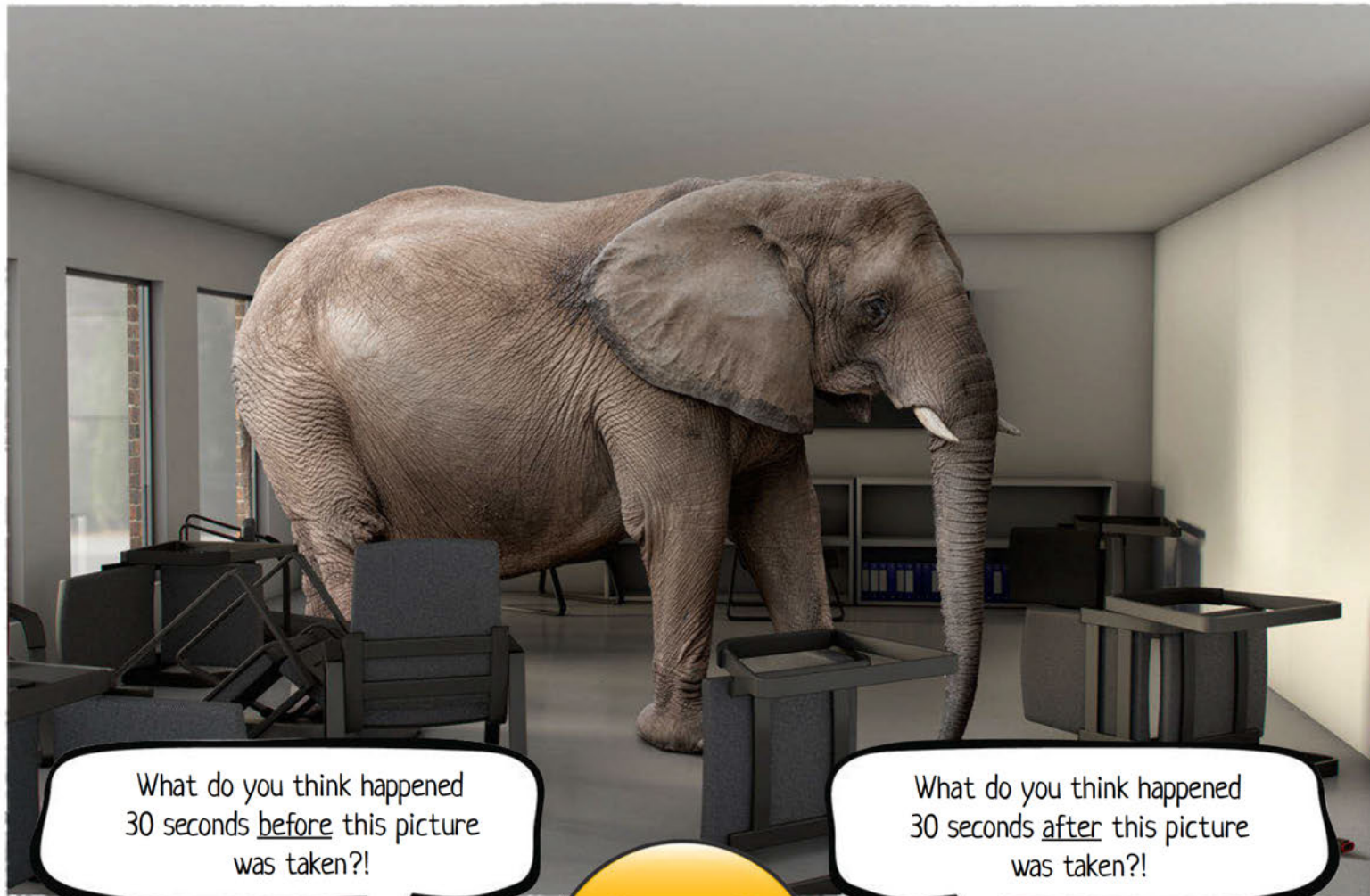




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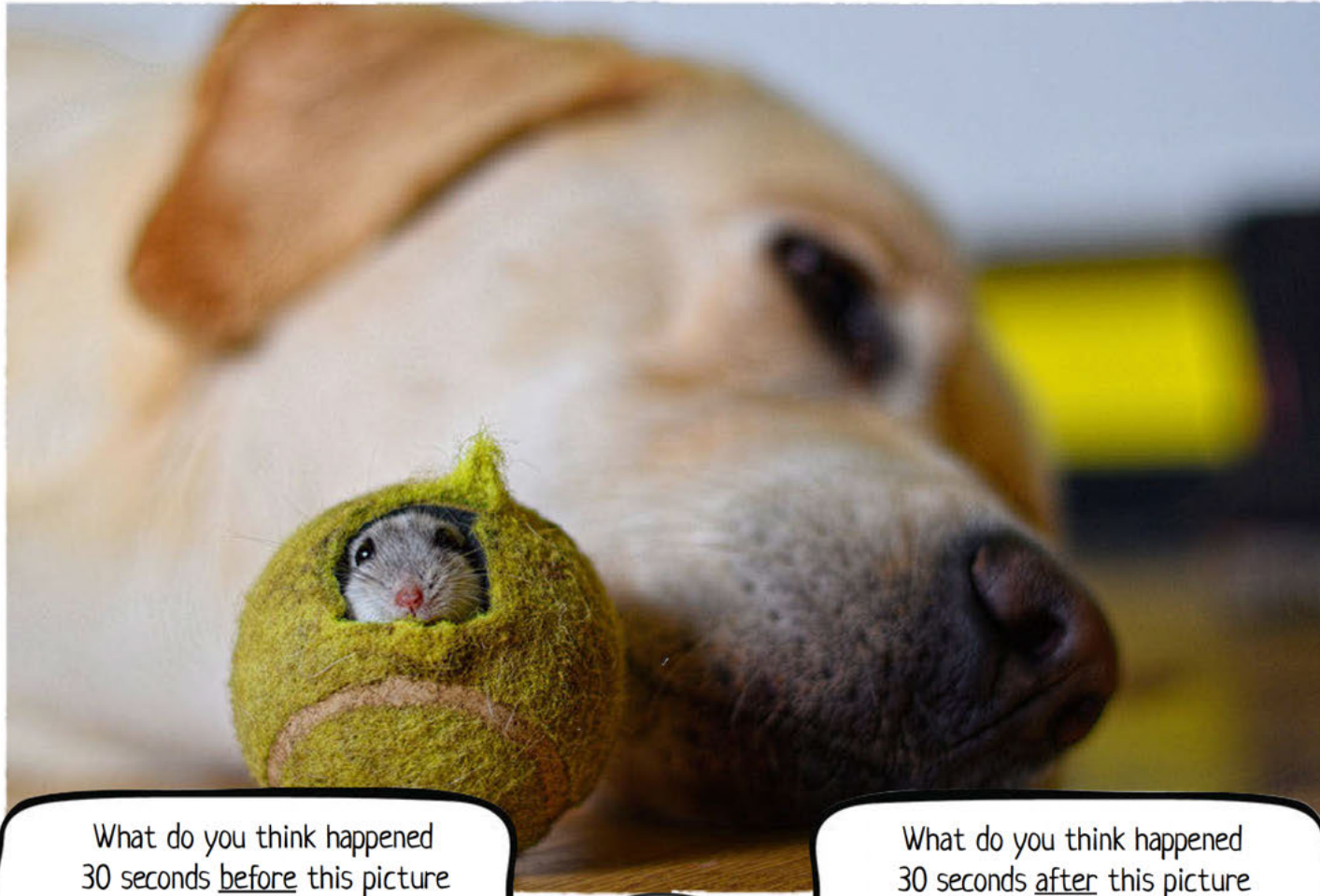




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## Game 1

S	T	V	E
K	E	N	O
T	P	U	Y
E	O	M	P

### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



### TOTAL POINTS

_____
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## Game 2

I	N	Y	E
I	H	G	I
T	E	N	S
E	O	S	R

### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



TOTAL POINTS

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### Game 3

N	A	S	D
O	E	N	I
D	R	E	S
E	N	I	V

#### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



#### TOTAL POINTS

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## Game 4

S	U	E	A
M	G	S	T
N	O	T	L
A	M	T	V

### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



### TOTAL POINTS

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## Game 5

A	T	O	C
C	M	L	W
H	C	B	R
I	R	I	E

### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



### TOTAL POINTS

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## Game 6

I	D	S	E
S	A	W	L
N	L	C	L
N	B	I	E

### POINTS GUIDE

3 letter words	1 point
4 letter words	2 points
5 letter words	3 points
6 letter words	4 points
7+ letter words	5 points

How many different words can you create using adjoining letters?  
The letters must touch each other but can join in any direction - horizontally, vertically or diagonally. You cannot use the same letter cube more than once in a single word.



_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Now add up your total points score using the Points Guide and record it in the box.



### TOTAL POINTS

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