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Vocabulary Word Unscramble



Unscramble the words. Use the words in the text box to help you.

breathlessly	scampered	fascinated	enthusiastic
handkerchief	uncomfortably	suffragettes	deafening
rectangular	conversation	zigzagged	fluttering
overflowing	bedraggled	threatened	fashionable
scrumptious	chickadees		

1. veaioonstrc _____
2. uouicssrmp _____
3. irooewgvlnf _____
4. rftaouylobmcn _____
5. itfsdaeanc _____
6. lelebyarhsts _____
7. dashceekic _____
8. aetdeenrth _____
9. ategstsurffe _____
10. uteaalrcnrg _____
11. rtgfitunel _____
12. ingnfdeea _____
13. abealfsnhio _____
14. iekhhdnecra _____
15. mepedscar _____
16. ggaedzizg _____
17. aisitucehns _____
18. grgadbedle _____

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Vocabulary Word Search



Find the words.

h	w	g	o	g	g	l	e	s	d	m	t	p	n	p
v	y	a	d	z	f	t	w	i	c	k	e	r	q	e
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w	n	c	i	r	c	l	e	t	h	z	m	l	a	j
p	i	n	a	f	o	r	e	c	a	y	v	e	l	d
j	d	k	e	n	t	r	a	n	c	e	h	i	w	a

bouquet	crystal	gasped	peppermint	rumbled
chatter	daintily	goggles	pinafore	salt
circlet	entrance	ignore	pram	spectacle
commanded	fountain	nosegay	ruckus	wicker



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Working with Words

Chapters 1-2



Read each of the following. Circle the letter in front of the word that correctly completes the sentence.

1. Agnes and Agatha gave Samantha a __ of pink roses when they woke her up on her birthday.
a. wicker b. bouquet
c. relatives d. crystal
2. Samantha told the girls that Grandmary would be furious if she cut up one of her __.
a. bouquets b. nosegays
c. conversation d. petticoats
3. Agnes and Agatha smelled something absolutely __ coming from the kitchen.
a. spoonfuls b. murmured
c. scrumptious d. stampede
4. When Samantha pulled her stockings on over her bare legs, she felt __ light and free.
a. deliciously b. scampered
c. gasped d. beaming
5. Grandmary stood behind Samantha and fastened an old-fashioned __ of silk rosebuds in her hair.
a. sputtered b. peppermint
c. petticoat d. circlet
6. The girls sat quietly in a circle of __ chairs on the sunny lawn.
a. relatives b. goggles
c. wicker d. conversation
7. Samantha was tying a big bow in the sash of her __ when Grandmary came into her room.
a. bouquet b. pinafore
c. fluttering d. chickadees
8. Grandmary told the girls she hoped they weren't making a __ of themselves.
a. spectacle b. commanded
c. crystal d. beaming



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Working with Words

Chapters 3-5



Read each of the following. Circle the letter in front of the word that correctly completes the sentence.

- Samantha saw some women hanging large banners across the ___ to the park.
 - fountain
 - overflowing
 - entrance
 - rumbled
- Grandmary told Samantha that the women were ___, and that they get together and make a ruckus about changing laws.
 - uncomfortably
 - suffragettes
 - celebrate
 - forehead
- Jip ___ from one side of the park to the other, sniffing out interesting scents as he led the girls to a fountain at the center of the park.
 - breathlessly
 - tangled
 - fascinated
 - zigzagged
- Agnes was ___ when Agatha suggested they put Jip in the pram.
 - enthusiastic
 - fashionable
 - rectangular
 - admitted
- They saw Jip's tail bouncing along ahead of a wagon ___ with flowers.
 - ruckus
 - overflowing
 - galloped
 - uncomfortably
- It was a very ___ parade that Jip led into the ice cream parlor because the girls were wrinkled and rumbled.
 - fascinated
 - disappeared
 - bedraggled
 - fashionable
- The ___ bell of the fire engine rang out over the shouts and screams from the crowd.
 - deafening
 - overflowing
 - tangled
 - confused
- Grandmary told Cornelia and the girls that they came to New York to ___ growing up.
 - platform
 - forehead
 - curious
 - celebrate

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Comprehension
Chapters 1-2



Read each of the following and answer the questions.

1. Why did Samantha think that Hawkins would be upset when he saw the bouquet the twins made for her? _____

2. Why did Samantha want petit fours at her birthday party instead of one large cake? _____

3. How did Samantha feel when she saw her breakfast surprise in the kitchen? _____

4. Why did Samantha allow Eddie to help make the ice cream for her party? _____

5. How did Samantha feel about the circlet of roses Grandmary fastened in her hair? _____

6. Why was Samantha relieved when she saw Uncle Gard and Aunt Cornelia drive up? _____

7. How did Jip get the teddy bear Agatha and Agnes gave Samantha for her birthday? _____

8. Why did Agatha tackle Eddie during the birthday party? _____

9. What did Samantha give each of the girls as a party favor? _____

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Comprehension
Chapters 3-5



Read each of the following and answer the questions.

1. How did Samantha feel about New York City? _____

2. What did Grandmary tell Samantha about the suffragettes when they saw them getting ready for the meeting? _____

3. Why did Samantha and the twins want to go to the park? _____

4. Why didn't Grandmary want to go shopping at the new store on Fifth Avenue? _____

5. How did Jip get away from the girls? _____

6. What happened when Jip heard Aunt Cornelia speaking at the women's meeting in the park? _____

7. Why did Aunt Cornelia feel that it was a wonderful time for Samantha, Agnes, and Agatha to be growing up? _____

8. How did Grandmary feel about the suffragettes after she heard Cornelia speak in the park? _____

9. Why didn't Samantha want to try a new flavor of ice cream?

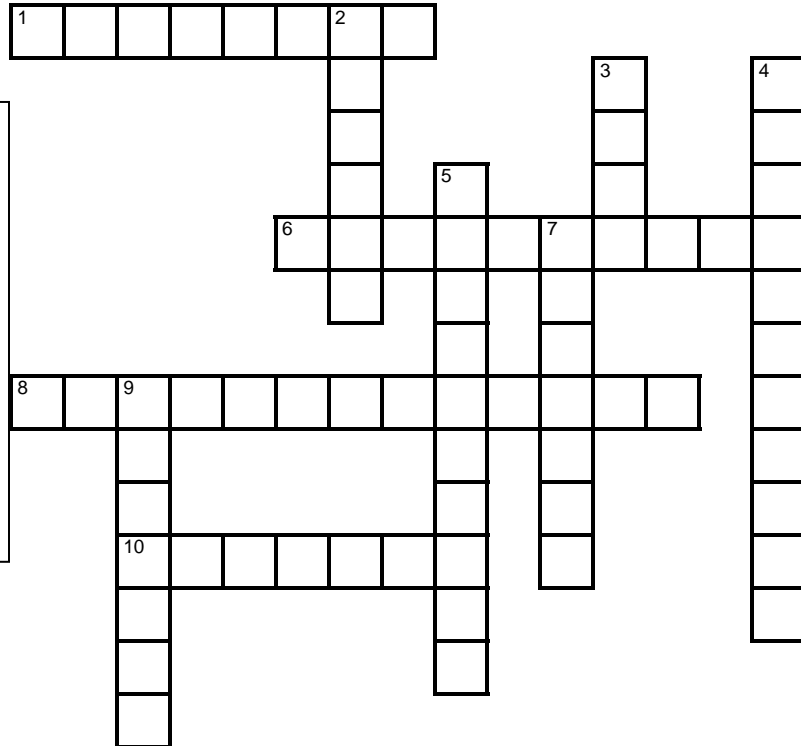


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Crossword Puzzle



Complete the puzzle.

<p>Word Bank rectangular concern platform crystal rumbled peppermint spectacles pram uncomfortably ruined</p>
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Across

- When Grandmary saw Cornelia on the ___ she decided that she should stay and listen.
- Samantha wanted molded ___ ice cream at her party.
- The twins looked at each other ___.
- There was a big ___ pitcher of pink lemonade on the table.

Down

- Eddie put salt in the peppermint ice cream and ___ it.
- Agatha looped the leash over the handle of the ___.
- Gramercy Park was a beautiful ___ green across the street from Gard and Cornelia's house.
- Grandmary said the suffragettes were making ___ of themselves.
- Samantha practically jumped out of her skin when a streetcar ___ up to the curb in front of her.
- Grandmary said voting was not a lady's ___.

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Thinking and Writing



Complete each of the following.

1. Was Uncle Gard a good uncle to Samantha? Why do you think so?

2. How do you know Aunt Cornelia was involved with the suffragettes?

3. Samantha's birthday party was _____

4. If Eddie Rylander was my neighbor, _____

5. How did Grandmary make Samatha's birthday special? _____

6. Why did Samantha enjoy Agnes and Agatha? _____

7. Why might you think that Grandmary was old fashioned? _____

8. Why might Samantha want petit fours and molded ice cream at her birthday party? _____

9. Would you recommend this story? Why or why not? _____

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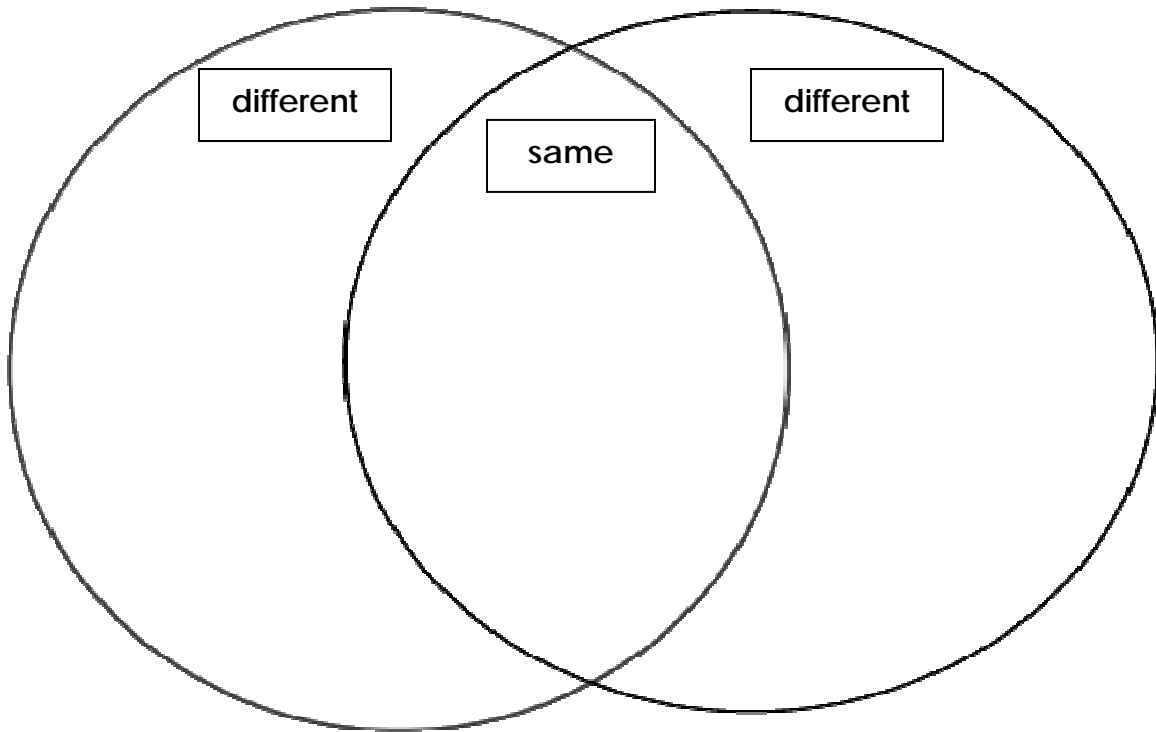
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Venn Diagram



Use the Venn diagram below to compare your birthday party and Samantha's birthday party. Write a paragraph about how your birthday party and Samantha's birthday party are alike and different.

Your party

Samantha's party



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Applying Math to History



Use your math skills and information from the book to answer the questions below. Show your work.

1. How many years ago was this story set?
2. How old would Samantha be if she were still alive today?
3. A generation is about 25 years. How many generations are there between you and Samantha?
4. If she were your ancestor, would she be your grandmother, your great-grandmother, your great-great-grandmother?
5. If Samantha grew up and had two children, and each of her children had two children, and each of THOSE children had two children... how many descendants would Abby have had by this year?



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| 1. conversation | 7. chickadees | 13. fashionable |
| 2. scrumptious | 8. threatened | 14. handkerchief |
| 3. overflowing | 9. suffragettes | 15. scampered |
| 4. uncomfortably | 10. rectangular | 16. zigzagged |
| 5. fascinated | 11. fluttering | 17. enthusiastic |
| 6. breathlessly | 12. deafening | 18. bedraggled |

Page 2: Answers not needed

Page 3:

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| 1. b | 4. a | 7. b |
| 2. d | 5. d | 8. a |
| 3. c | 6. c | |

Page 4:

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| 1. c | 4. a | 7. a |
| 2. b | 5. b | 8. d |
| 3. d | 6. c | |

Page 5:

1. The twins took the roses from Hawkins' rose bushes. Samantha was afraid that Hawkins would be angry.
2. Samantha wanted the petit fours at her party because no one in Mount Bedford had ever had ten cakes at a birthday party.
3. Samantha was delighted when she saw the blueberry muffins in the kitchen because one of them had a candle on top.
4. She allowed Eddie to help make the ice cream because she was afraid that Eddie and Agatha were going to fight.
5. Samantha liked the circlet of roses because her mother had worn the circlet on her tenth birthday,
6. Samantha was relieved when Uncle Gard and Cornelia drove up because the party was boring.
7. Agatha waved the teddy bear in front of Jip's face and he yanked it out of her hand.
8. She tackled Eddie to get the teddy bear back.
9. She gave each of the girls a lace fan as a party favor.



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1. Samantha loved New York City because it always seemed like something exciting was about to happen.
2. Grandmary told Samantha that the suffragettes thought women should have the right to vote and that they had new-fangled notions.
3. They wanted to take Samantha's new doll carriage to the park.
4. Grandmary said that she had been shopping at O'Neills for thirty years and she was too old to change.
5. He yanked the leash with his mouth and it came off the pram's handle.
6. Jip scampered up the platform steps and went to Cornelia.
7. Aunt Cornelia thought it was a wonderful time for the girls to be growing up because things were changing for women.
8. Grandmary felt that women should stand up for what was right and that women should have the right to vote.
9. Samantha didn't want to try a new flavor because peppermint ice cream was her old favorite.

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Across: 1. platform, 6. peppermint, 8. uncomfortably, 10. crystal.

Down: 2. ruined, 3. pram, 4. rectangular, 5. spectacles, 7. rumbled, 9. concern.

Page 8: Thinking and Writing

Page 9: Venn Diagram

Page 10: Writing Activity- A Peek Into The Past

Page 11: Math. Answers will vary according to what year it is when students do this activity. Teacher should prepare answers in advance and check student work.