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The Monster in Harry's Backyard

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Vocabulary Word Unscramble

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

blueberries	chocolate	remembered	wildcats	knapsack
waddled	howling	sandwiches	marshmallow	flashlight
fireflies	bandanna	unrolled	flowerpot	window

1. agihftslh _____
2. dddewla _____
3. ehdsanwi _____
4. llneudor _____
5. hleactcoo _____
6. nwwoid _____
7. brillbuseee _____
8. saknkcap _____
9. ndnnbaaa _____
10. alwalarmhsm _____
11. ooepfrltw _____
12. eemrredebm _____
13. esfilirfe _____
14. laitwscd _____
15. lgonhwi _____



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Word Search Puzzle

Find the words.

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



birthday	fort	monsters	syrup	twigs
blinked	grabbed	prowling	tasty	waffles
camper	lemonade	raccoon	tent	zippers



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Working with Words

Complete the sentences using a word from the text boxes.

spot	lemonade	flowerpot	knapsack
grabbed	blinked	birthday	flap
marshmallow	living	monsters	campfire

1. Harry got a new tent for his _____ .
2. Harry put up his new tent in the _____ room.
3. Harry packed his _____ and put on his red bandanna.
4. Harry found a good _____ for his tent in the backyard.
5. Harry made a _____ and cooked a hot dog on a stick.
6. He ate seven _____ sandwiches.
7. He brushed his teeth with _____.
8. Harry heard _____ crashing through the woods.
9. He jumped out of his sleeping bag and _____ his big stick.
10. Harry ran to a big _____ and hid behind it.
11. The door _____ moved and a monster ran inside Harry's tent.
12. The monster _____ twice and ran out of the tent.





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Comprehension

Answer the questions. Please write in complete sentences.

1. What were Harry's favorite colors? _____

2. How did Harry feel about the tent he got for his birthday?

3. Why do you think Harry's mother wanted him to sleep outside in his tent? _____

4. Why didn't Harry let Emily sleep outside in his tent? _____

5. Where did Harry set up his tent outside? _____

6. Why did Harry brush his teeth with lemonade? _____

7. Why did Harry hide under his bed in his room? _____

8. Why didn't Harry tell his mother about the raccoon? _____





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Alphabetical Order

Write the words in the text boxes in alphabetical order.

A.

blueberries syrup bandanna camper

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

B.

flashlight lemonade fireflies shady

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

C.

toasted prowling tent knapsack

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

D.

monsters chocolate marshmallow twigs

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____





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It's a Quiz!

Read each of the following sentences. Circle true or false.

1. Harry's favorite colors were orange and purple.
true false
2. Harry got a new tent for Christmas.
true false
3. Harry slept in his tent in the living room for a week.
true false
4. Harry put on his red bandanna and hiked to the very edge of the yard.
true false
5. Harry found a good spot for his tent near a big shady tree.
true false
6. Harry ate twelve marshmallow sandwiches.
true false
7. Harry tried to catch fireflies when it was dark.
true false
8. Harry's sleeping back got all tangled up because he tossed and turned.
true false
9. Harry ran upstairs to his room and hid under his bed.
true false
10. The raccoon was asleep on Harry's sleeping bag.
true false





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| 1. flashlight | 6. window | 11. flowerpot |
| 2. waddled | 7. blueberries | 12. remembered |
| 3. sandwiches | 8. knapsack | 13. fireflies |
| 4. unrolled | 9. bandanna | 14. wildcats |
| 5. chocolate | 10. marshmallow | 15. howling |

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|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. birthday | 5. campfire | 9. grabbed |
| 2. living | 6. marshmallow | 10. flowerpot |
| 3. knapsack | 7. lemonade | 11. flap |
| 4. spot | 8. monsters | 12. blinked |

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1. Harry's favorite colors were green and blue.
2. Harry liked his new tent.
3. Responses will vary.
4. Harry wouldn't let Emily sleep outside in his tent because she was too little and would be scared.
5. Harry set up his tent on a thick patch of grass near a shady tree in his backyard.
6. Harry brushed his teeth with lemonade because he forgot water.
7. Harry hid under the bed in his room because he was afraid of the monster in his tent.
8. Harry didn't tell his mother about the raccoon because his mouth was too full of waffles, syrup, and blueberries.

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- | A. | B. | C. | D. |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1. bandanna | 1. fireflies | 1. knapsack | 1. chocolate |
| 2. blueberries | 2. flashlight | 2. prowling | 2. marshmallow |
| 3. camper | 3. lemonade | 3. tent | 3. monsters |
| 4. syrup | 4. shady | 4. toasted | 4. twigs |

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| 1. false | 6. false |
| 2. false | 7. true |
| 3. true | 8. true |
| 4. true | 9. true |
| 5. true | 10. true |

Page 7: Writing Activity