

Bricks

Reading

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Workbook

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BIRTHDAYS



TRUFFLES



MARS ROVERS



CODING



SKATEBOARDING







SOCIAL MEDIA

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NONFICTION

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Review the Words!

A Write the correct words for the definitions.

Definition	Word
1. <i>n.</i> a particular kind of solid, liquid, or gas; matter	
2. <i>v.</i> to find or see something before anyone else	
3. <i>n.</i> a disease in the body caused by germs	
4. <i>v.</i> to cure or make someone get better	
5. <i>n.</i> (<i>plural</i>) very small living things	
6. <i>v.</i> to damage or ruin the freshness of something	
7. <i>n.</i> a living thing that often looks like plants but has no leaves or flowers, (<i>plural</i>) fungi	
8. <i>v.</i> to get something from something else by the use of a machine or chemicals	

B Match the similar words.

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|---------------|------------|
| 1. extract • | • find out |
| 2. discover • | • cure |
| 3. treat • | • take out |

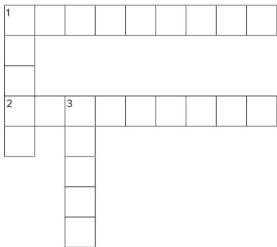
C Read and complete the crossword puzzle.

Across

1. The factory threw a harmful _____ into the river.
2. Peter often goes to the hospital because of his ear _____.

Down

1. Don't eat the old banana that green mold has _____ed.
3. Some insects like to eat plants and _____.



What Did I Learn?

D Match the correct answers to complete the sentences.

- Mold is not always bad • no medicine to cure bacterial disease.
- By the early 1900s, there was • soldiers during World War II.
- Alexander Fleming discovered • and some mold can help humans.
- Penicillin saved millions of • penicillin from mold that could kill bacteria.

E Find the correct answers in the passage and write.

- What is mold?

- When did Alexander Fleming discover penicillin?

- Who changed penicillin into medicine?

Review the Paragraph!

F Read the following paragraph and choose the correct answers.

In 1928, Fleming came back from a vacation and entered his lab. The window had been left open. When he went to close it, he saw something very _____. (A) There was green mold growing on the dishes that he grew _____ in. When he took a closer look, he was shocked by what he found. (B) He discovered the _____ was “penicillium” and that a substance from the mold had killed the bacteria. He called it penicillin and tried to _____ enough penicillin from the fungus to produce medicine. (C)

- Fill in the blanks using words from the box below.

extract annoying bacteria mold

- Find and circle the best place for the sentence in the paragraph.

There were no bacteria around the mold!

Review the Words!

A Write the correct words for the definitions.

Definition	Word
1. <i>adj.</i> filled with rocks or stones	
2. <i>n.</i> something in food that plants or animals need to live and grow	
3. <i>adj.</i> worth a lot of money	
4. <i>n.</i> the particular taste of a food or drink	
5. <i>phrase</i> to discover something by smelling	
6. <i>adj.</i> not smooth; uneven	
7. <i>phrase</i> to get something out of a place by moving soil, sand, etc.	
8. <i>adj.</i> not common; not a lot of	

B Match the similar words.

- | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|----------|
| 1. rare | • | • | valuable |
| 2. precious | • | • | uncommon |
| 3. flavor | • | • | taste |

C Read and write the correct words to complete the sentences.

1. bumpy | precious

Gold is one of the _____ metals.

The surface of the ball is _____, so it's not slippery.

2. nutrients | flavor

Most plants need _____ from the soil to stay healthy.

Cindy's favorite ice cream _____ is chocolate.

3. sniffing out | dig out

My dog is good at _____ hidden food.

The bird can _____ bugs from the ground to eat.

What Did I Learn?

D Read and circle True or False.

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|---|------|-------|
| 1. Both truffles and mushrooms are kinds of fungi. | True | False |
| 2. Truffles grow among particular tree roots, such as oak and poplar. | True | False |
| 3. Growing truffles is easy because people can plant truffle seeds. | True | False |
| 4. Chefs like truffles because of their rich flavor. | True | False |

E Find the correct answers in the passage and write.

1. What do truffles look like?

2. What do truffles get from tree roots?

3. What two kinds of animals are used to find truffles?

Review the Paragraph!

F Read the following paragraph and choose the correct answers.

Have you tried chocolate truffles before? They're small balls of chocolate. But why are they called "truffles?" It's because **a** they look like real truffles! Truffles are a kind of _____, like mushrooms, but truffles only grow _____. **b** They are black or white and look a bit like _____ potatoes. **c** They have a strong smell and rich _____ that most chefs love.

1. Fill in the blanks using words from the box below.

bumpy flavor underground fungi

2. Check (✓) which of **a**, **b**, or **c** refers to something **different**.

a _____ **b** _____ **c** _____

Review the Words!

A Write the correct words for the definitions.

Definition	Word
1. <i>v.</i> to close and open the eyes very quickly	
2. <i>adj.</i> having and showing strong feelings	
3. <i>v.</i> to feel a sudden, sharp pain	
4. <i>adj.</i> going on without stopping	
5. <i>v.</i> to make smaller or less in amount or size	
6. <i>n.</i> a substance that makes part of the body sore or painful	
7. <i>adj.</i> slightly wet	
8. <i>v.</i> to produce liquid, such as tears	

B Match the opposite words.

- | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|----------|
| 1. reduce | • | • | dry |
| 2. constant | • | • | random |
| 3. moist | • | • | increase |

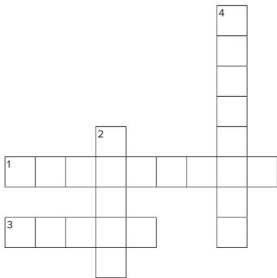
C Read and complete the crossword puzzle.

Across

- Jack became very _____ when he said goodbye to his friends.
- The boy kept his eyes open and tried not to _____.

Down

- Tracy cut her finger and it started to _____ immediately.
- A(n) _____ from the strong wind caused pain in Ray's eye.



What Did I Learn?

D Match the correct answers to complete the sentences.

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. Our eyes produce tears due to | • | • to keep them from drying out. |
| 2. Our eyes form constant tears | • | • a variety of reasons. |
| 3. Irritants like onion gas and smoke | • | • we are either very sad or happy. |
| 4. Tears come out of our eyes when | • | • can make our eyes water. |

E Find the correct answers in the passage and write.

1. How many kilograms of tears do we produce a year?

2. What does the film of tears do for your eyes?

3. How do emotional tears help us?

Review the Paragraph!

F Read the following paragraph and choose the correct answers.

Tears can _____ our eyes from sudden irritants, such as smoke and wind. (A) In such cases, our eyes immediately produce a large amount of tears to _____ the harmful substances. (B) For example, your eyes _____ and start watering when there's smoke. (C) You'll be crying because the _____ from raw onions is quite bothersome to the eyes.

1. Fill in the blanks using words from the box below.

sting gas wash out protect

2. Find and circle the best place for the sentence in the paragraph.

Chop a bowl of onions and it's the same thing!

Review the Words!

A Write the correct words for the definitions.

Definition	Word
1. <i>phrase</i> to change the order or place of things in a confused way	
2. <i>n.</i> a place in the human body where two bones are connected	
3. <i>v.</i> to harm or damage something	
4. <i>phrase</i> to have the food in a person's stomach come out through the mouth; to vomit	
5. <i>adj.</i> inside something else	
6. <i>v.</i> to feel or be aware of something	
7. <i>n.</i> the act of moving	
8. <i>v.</i> to cause a change in someone or something	

B Match the opposite words.

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| 1. inner • | • protect |
| 2. ruin • | • outer |
| 3. motion • | • stillness |

C Read and write the correct words to complete the sentences.

1. throw up | mixed up

Glen felt sick, but he tried not to _____ on the boat.

The magician _____ all the cards to confuse the audience.

2. affects | sense

Plants are able to _____ light and respond to it.

This disease only _____ women, so men don't have to worry.

3. inner | joints

If our body didn't have any _____, we couldn't bend or move at all.

Mina put her wallet in the _____ pocket of her bag.