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Pre-reading

- 1. What do you think he has lost?
- 2. Have you ever lost anything? What was it?
- 3. Where did you find it?

Vocabulary Preview

Match the word or phrase with its meaning.

- 1. ____ John is <u>upset</u> because his cat is sick.
- 2. ____ The dog <u>searched for</u> the bone for a long time.
- 3. ____ Check your bag. Maybe your key is in there.
- 4. ____ Where is the bathroom? I have to use the toilet.
- 5. ____ The boys ran down the <u>hallway</u>.
- 6. ____ Paul acts <u>silly</u> sometimes.



- b. foolish and funny
- c. sad; angry
- d. make sure; see if true



f. looked for

The Lost Key



Last week at school, I couldn't find my key. It was the key to my house, so I was really worried. How could I get in? I looked for the key everywhere. I looked in my bag, in and under my desk, behind the teacher's desk, and near a window. I thought maybe it was under something on my desk. So, I picked all my papers up and looked under them. But I couldn't find my key anywhere! I was the last student left in the class. Even the teacher was gone. My friends came down the hall and saw that I was upset, so they helped me search. I thought I left it out in the hallway, but it wasn't there. I was worried I lost it down the toilet! How could I ever get it back if it was down the toilet? My friends and I looked everywhere, but we couldn't find the key. Then, one of my friends told me to check in my pockets again. Oops! To my surprise, I found out that my key was in my pocket! It was there all along, but out of sight. I felt very silly. Now, my friends tease me about "losing" things. They say I can't (217 words) 15 even see things right in front of me!

Word Practice

Choose the correct word or phrase.

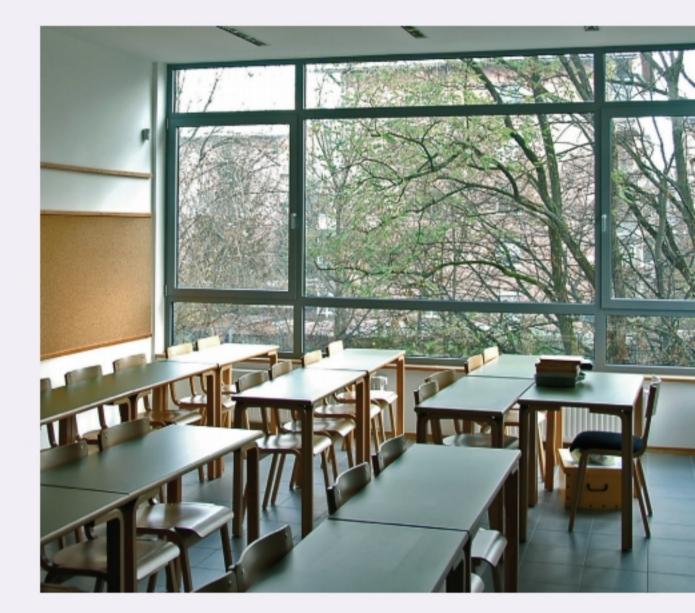
1.	Donna, don't be	You can't eat soup with a fork!			
	a. silly	b. alone	c. near	d. surprised	
2.	Marcia was very	because	she failed the ex	am.	
	a. teasing	b. upset	c. last	d. gone	
3.	When Dave	his key, he co	uldn't open the d	loor.	
	a. looked	b. found	c. lost	d. searched	
4.	Louis walked do	wn the long	to go to his cl	assroom.	
	a. sight	b. toilet	c. hallway	d. pocket	

Reading Comprehension

Choose the best answer.

- 1. What is the main idea of the reading?
 - a. Losing something
 - b. Feeling upset
 - c. Helping friends
 - d. Searching in pockets
- 2. What did the boy's friends do?
 - a. They helped search for the key.
 - b. They laughed at the funny story.
 - c. They took the boy's key.
 - d. They upset the boy.
- 3. Where was the boy's key?
 - a. Under his desk
 - b. In his pocket
 - c. Behind a box
 - d. In the hallway

- 4. What does "it" refer to in line 4 of the reading?
 - a. The desk
 - b. The floor
 - c. The window
 - d. The key



Focus On Prepositions

Fill in the blank with the correct word.

near	under	in	for	
1. I looked	my desk. It wa	as not on the fl	oor.	
2. I checked	the door. It v	vasn't there.		
3. I searched	my keys in	the classroom.		
4. I looked	my pockets. I	found them!		

Words and Phrases

out of sight

The car drove away and was quickly out of sight.

down the (hall / street / road)

I live down the street from Evan's house.

right (beside / above / in front of / behind)

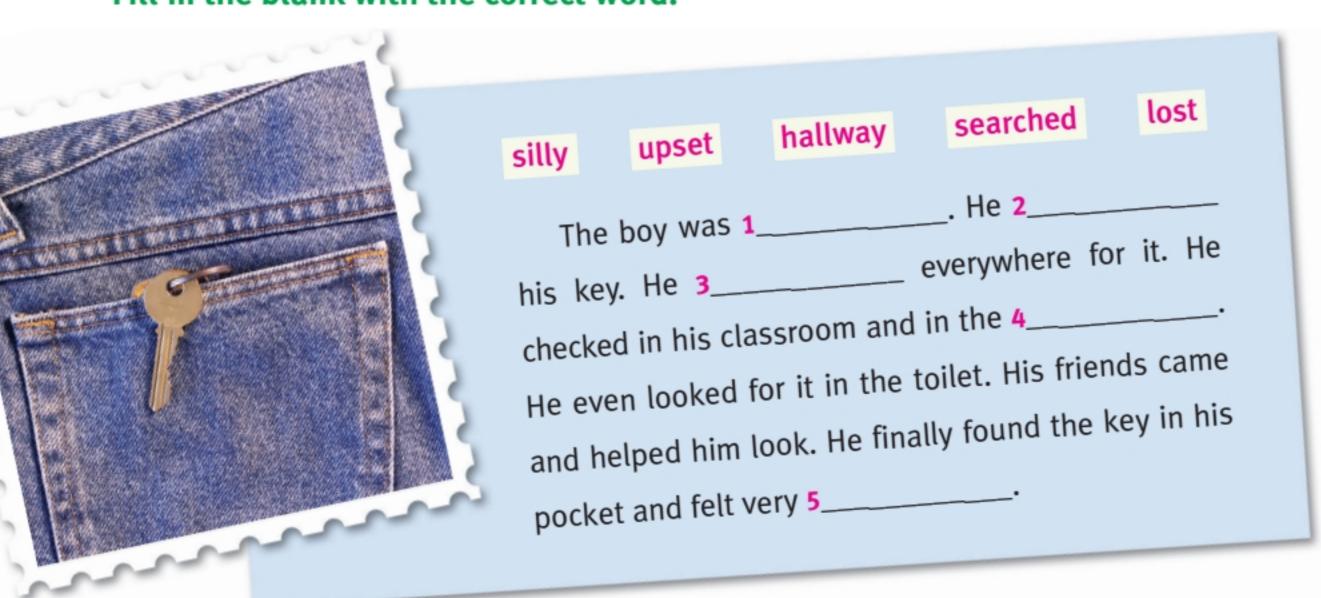
Jean thought Kenny was gone, but he was right in front of her.

Fill in the blank with the correct phrase. Change the form of the words if necessary.

- 1. It is so dark! I can't see my hand _____ of me.
- 2. The school office is _____ hall.
- 3. "Where's Emma?" "She's ______, under the blanket."

Summary

Fill in the blank with the correct word.



Listening | I Lost It!

Listen to the dialog and take notes. Track 02 What did Arthur lose?

Where did he look?

How did he feel?

Finally, where did he find it?

Listen again and check your notes.

Track 03

Use your notes to fill in the blanks.

Story Summary

Arthur lost his
book. He felt very He
looked for it in the and
in his, but he couldn't
find it. Finally, he checked in his
There it was!

My Story Notes

Have you ever lost something? Write some notes.

What did you lose?

How did you feel?

Where did you look?

Finally, where did you find it?

Using your notes, write your story in complete sentences.

Writing

Speaking

Look at the dialog. Fill in the blank with the correct choice.

- a. the hallway and under my desk
- b. I lost my book bag.
- c. behind the door
- d. What's the matter?



****		The second secon
A	1	
В	2	Will you help me look for it?
Α	Sure. Where did you look for it?	
В	I looked in 3	<u> </u>
Α	Did you check in the classroom or near the w	rindow?
В	Yes.	
Α	Well, let's keep looking.	
В	I found it! It was 4	!

Now practice with a partner. Make your own answers.

Vocabulary Review

Choose the correct word or phrase.

1.	My ball was behind ta. out of sight		 c. lost	d. was gone
2.	Jessica walked down a. hallway		o her bedroom. c. planet	d. toilet
3.	Mom my vi	ideo game. She said I b. took away	. ,	d. got through
4.	I everywhe a. went over to		was under my bed! c. searched	d. drove

An Exciting Gift





Pre-reading

- 1. What is she holding?
- 2. What do you think is in the box?
- 3. Why would someone give her a gift?

Vocabulary Preview

Match the <u>word</u> or <u>phrase</u> with its meaning.

- 1. ____ My brother <u>put together</u> this shelf.
- 2. ____ Zebras have black and white stripes.
- 3. ____ His new bike is very shiny.
- 4. ____ My MP3 player is very <u>convenient</u>. I can listen to music anywhere.
- 5. ____ That bug is so <u>tiny</u>! I can hardly see it on the leaf.
- 6. ____ The desk was <u>in pieces</u> when we bought it. We had to put it together.

- a. built
- b. bright and sparkling
- c. in small parts
- d. very small
- e. useful
- f. lines of color