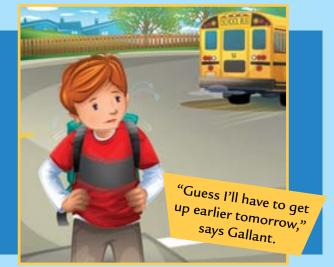


"Oh, come on! Couldn't you wait for me?" says Goofus.



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"I felt like Gallant when I let a little girl play Frisbee with me and my mom."





"Well, I caught my tail. Now what do I do?"

Picture Puns

What phrase or title does each picture represent?

vision vision



Evelynn Latimore

Age 10

New York

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QUIZ Are You a Good Sport?

Good sportsmanship is important—on the field, on the court, and in life. Take this guiz to find out how good a sport you are.

 You and your two best friends have waited in line for an hour to get tickets to see a movie. But when you get to the window, there are no tickets left. You:



- **a.** Agree to see a different movie. At least you'll be with your friends.
- **b.** Are disappointed and let it ruin your day.
- **c.** Complain to the ticket seller about how unfair it is.
- The umpire at your baseball game makes a call you don't agree with, and the other team wins. You:



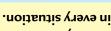
- a. Get in line with your teammates to shake hands with the other team.
- **b.** Grumble to your teammates that this is unfair.
- c. Accuse the umpire of favoring the other team.
- You run for class president and lose the election by only a few votes. You:



- a. Congratulate the winner. It was a fair race.
- **b.** Decide never to run for anything again.
- **c.** Angrily demand a recount.



- You convince your best friend to audition for the school play. Your friend gets the lead and you are in the chorus. You:
 - a. Celebrate with your friend. It will be fun to be in the play together.
 - **b.** Will be in the chorus, but you aren't happy about it.
 - **c.** Don't talk to your best friend for a week.
- 5. You and your friends are watching your school's basketball team, and they are losing badly. You:
 - a. Cheer on your team until the end of the game. They're trying their best
 - **b.** Stay at the game, and whine about what the team is doing wrong.
 - c. Convince your friends to leave. Staying would be a waste of time.



about yourself. Take charge of your attitude, and look for the positive that every time you overcome disappointment, you become stronger and learn more If you answered mostly 6: You don't take losing well. It might help you to remember

you tend to let negative feelings take over. Try to look on the bright side. If you answered mostly D: Although you don't make a scene when things don't go your way,

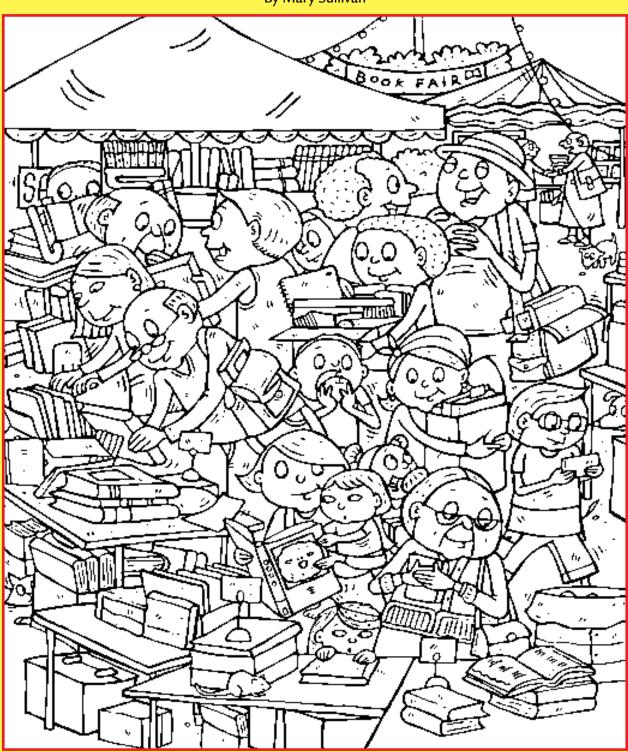
sud make the best of situations, even when they don't go your way. If you answered mostly a: Congratulations! You're a good sport. You try to stay positive

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Busy Book Fair

By Mary Sullivan

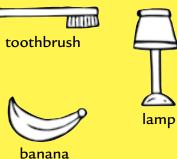


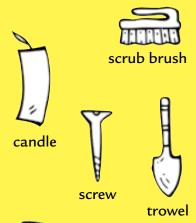
In this big picture, find the comb, pitcher, toothbrush, green bean, banana, lamp, candle, scrub brush, recorder, trowel, boot, and screw.

Want a challenge?

Fold back this page to hide the picture clues.











BONUS!

Can you also find the cane, leaf, megaphone, and slice of cake?

ha hee ha OkeSheeha haha

Fish #1: Did you see that new movie last night?

Fish #2: Yes, it was fin-tastic! Kelsey Hodge, Kentucky

Bob: What's my name? Jay: Bob.

Bob: What was my name two years ago?

Jay: Bob.

Bob: What was my name yesterday?

Jay: Bob.

Bob: Knock, knock.

Jay: Who's there?

Bob: Gee, you already forgot my name?

Shrujana Kunnam, Maryland

Annette: Guess what I've had stuck in my head for a long time?

Abby: I don't know. What? Annette: My brain! Annette Gregory, Kentucky A book never written: Don't Jump to Conclusions by Megan Assumption.

Megan Reed, Oregon

Mary: Do I have raccoon eyes? John: Yes, I hardly raccoon-eyes

Samil Battenfeld, Massachusetts

"Knock, knock."

"Who's there?"

"Ben and Anna."

"Ben and Anna split!"

Victoria Ding, British Columbia, Canada

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Domi-no-no

By Annette Vaughan All of the red dominoes should

have a matching blue domino. Which blue domino is missing?











Answer on page 38.









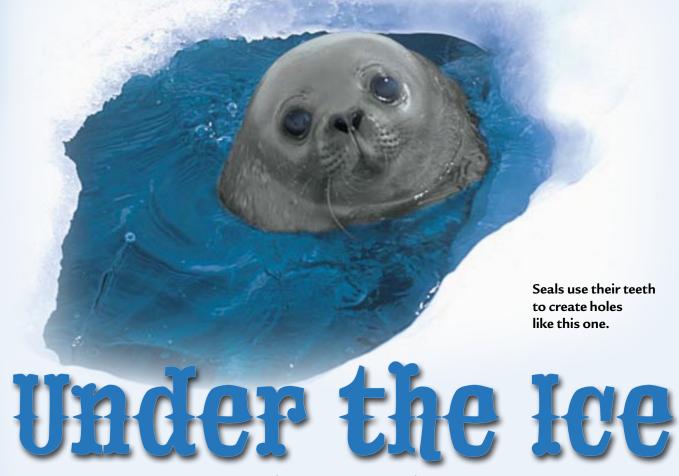






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At the bottom of the earth, Weddell seal pups learn to live in an icy world.



By Alison Pearce Stevens, Ph.D.

In Antarctica, the long dark winter gives way to spring. Ice begins to melt, and the sun stays in the sky all night long.

Into this brightly lit world, the large gray head of a Weddell seal appears through a crack in the ice. The seal takes several deep breaths. Then she opens her mouth and turns her head from side to side. With her teeth, she scrapes off bits of ice. Seals are mammals, and they need to breathe air. So Weddell seals use their teeth to make sure their breathing holes stay open.

The seal makes the hole bigger. When she can fit her large body through it, she hauls out onto the ice. She is getting ready to have a baby.

A Baby Is Born

On the ice shelf, the Weddell seal gives birth to a pup. The pup is about three feet long—the size of a two-year-old child. It is covered with thick fur that protects it from the cold wind.

The pup drinks its mother's milk and



grows quickly. Within a few weeks, it is more than six feet long. Beneath the seal's skin is a thick layer of fat called blubber. Blubber keeps the seal warm in its frozen world.

When the pup is about two weeks old, it begins to dive with its mother. They slide through the breathing hole into the water below the ice. There the pup learns to swim, diving deeper and deeper each day. In order to stay underwater, it must learn to hold its breath and control its heart rate.

Below the ice, the sun shines brightly through the hole. Finding the opening to breathe is easy, but crawling back onto the slippery ice can be hard for a young seal. With practice and its mother's help, the pup soon feels at home both on the ice and under it.

The young seal spends more and more time below the ice, where it learns to hunt for food. The mother shows her pup how to catch fish, squid, and octopuses. These are important lessons. When the pup is about two months old, it will have to feed itself.

As it grows, the young seal remains on and under the *fast* ice. Fast ice is attached to the Antarctic coastline. Here the pup stays safe from predators, such as orcas. When the pup becomes an adult, it will swim farther out in search of food. But it will always live on or under the ice.

