
Does It Make Sense?



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DISABILITIES

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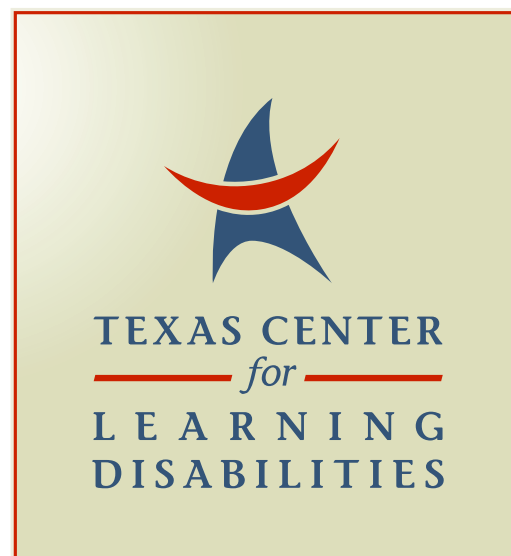


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Circle "YES" if the sentence makes sense or "NO" if it does not make sense.

For sentences that do not make sense, underline the words that show why you answered "NO."

Set 1

1. There are millions of stars in the ocean.	YES	NO
2. Our planet, Earth, is part of a galaxy.	YES	NO
3. Earth makes one complete orbit, or trip, around the sun each year.	YES	NO
4. Mars, Jupiter, and Earth are all insects.	YES	NO
5. The astronauts' tree house landed smoothly on the moon.	YES	NO

Set 2

1. My friends wanted to go swimming, so we went to the theater.	YES	NO
2. School was open because it was summer vacation.	YES	NO
3. Pizza is my favorite color!	YES	NO
4. The woman took her dog for a long walk.	YES	NO
5. Sam loves the game of football. She plays every chance she gets.	YES	NO

Set 3

1. P.E. was fun today. We played kickball.	YES	NO
2. Coach said you must exercise to grow small and strong.	YES	NO
3. Fruits and vegetables are good for you.	YES	NO
4. Corn, broccoli, and horses are my favorite vegetables.	YES	NO
5. You should drink at least eight glasses of pie each day.	YES	NO

Set 4

1. Farmers use water, sun, and soil to grow our food.	YES	NO
2. In a desert, people must travel many inches for water.	YES	NO
3. Water is one of the most important resources. We should do our part to help conserve it.	YES	NO
4. Earth looks very blue from spaceships because its surface is covered with so much grass.	YES	NO
5. Scientists believe the Earth is 70% water. Most of the Earth's water comes from oceans, rivers, and lakes.	YES	NO

Set 5

1. We had to practice multiplication facts today to help get ready for our test.	YES	NO
2. Math is my favorite subject because I love reading.	YES	NO
3. I was so happy to get an A on my quiz. I got all of the questions wrong.	YES	NO
4. Addition and subtraction are parts of math.	YES	NO
5. My class went on a field trip to the bakery to learn all about animals.	YES	NO

Set 6

1. The children played baseball at the pizza.	YES	NO
2. The bird chirped a lovely coat as it flew through the sky.	YES	NO
3. The apple tree produced delicious, sweet apples.	YES	NO
4. Summer is my favorite season because I get to wear my boots, scarf, and gloves.	YES	NO
5. The zebra has black and white stripes.	YES	NO

Set 7

1. Austin is the capital river of the state of Texas.	YES	NO
2. California is a state in the United States of America.	YES	NO
3. My family enjoys visiting the beach and swimming in the ocean.	YES	NO
4. I traveled from Mexico to Canada on an apple.	YES	NO
5. Mount Washington, located in Texas, is 6,288 feet below the surface of the ocean.	YES	NO

Set 8

1. I know you are so proud of how well you read now!	YES	NO
2. My dad reads the newspaper every morning while sitting outside in the bright moonlight.	YES	NO
3. The cafeteria has hundreds of good books to read.	YES	NO
4. The alphabet contains all the numbers we need to make words.	YES	NO
5. I read parts of my favorite book every night before bed.	YES	NO

Set 9

1. Mom packed a delicious pencil for our picnic in the park.	YES	NO
2. Art class was so much fun today. We used different colors of paint to create a rainbow.	YES	NO
3. Our grocery list has milk, peaches, and meat on it. We will need it when we go to the candy.	YES	NO
4. We rode our bikes up and down the hill.	YES	NO
5. Next year we will move to a bigger rice because we need a bigger place to live.	YES	NO

Set 10

1. Me and my friends helped my next-door neighbor cut her grass and rake her yard. She thanked us by baking fresh chocolate chip clouds.	YES	NO
2. The white fluffy dog buried his bone in the back yard.	YES	NO
3. Ice cream will surely melt if you leave it out in the sun.	YES	NO
4. We planted sunflower seeds in our swimming pool. By the summer, we hope to have beautiful flowers popping up!	YES	NO
5. My brother's favorite sport is soccer. He is always kicking the bat around the house.	YES	NO

Set 11

1. The movie will start 15 minutes ago.	YES	NO
2. No one is excited about P.E. We all like it so much.	YES	NO
3. Your teacher is happy to see you all here today.	YES	NO
4. Now that summer is over, the temperature will be getting much hotter the rest of the year.	YES	NO
5. He ate a lot of food, so he isn't hungry anymore.	YES	NO

Set 12

1. He dropped the pencil and it got stuck in the ceiling.	YES	NO
2. She hit the baseball so hard, it walked through the sky.	YES	NO
3. We saw the dog chase the cat down the tree to the very top.	YES	NO
4. I love the smell of pumpkin pie. It reminds me of Thanksgiving.	YES	NO
5. The movie ended with a happy beginning.	YES	NO

Set 13

1. The cause of her sunburn was an effect of staying in the sun too long.	YES	NO
2. He carrot his hair with a brand new comb.	YES	NO
3. The bald eagle is the national bird of the United States. It can sleep between 75 and 99 miles per hour.	YES	NO
4. Potatoes and peas are my favorite vegetables.	YES	NO
5. The wind blew so strong, it enjoyed down several tree branches.	YES	NO

Set 14

1. I think addition and subtraction are the easiest parts of math.	YES	NO
2. He joined the science club because he dislikes science so much.	YES	NO
3. The knock on the door frightened my poor cat.	YES	NO
4. Rivers are created by melting snow flowing up the mountains.	YES	NO
5. Drinking through Rhode Island, America's smallest state, takes only about an hour.	YES	NO

Set 15

1. To be classified as an insect, it must have three body parts, six legs, and two antennas.	YES	NO
2. I received a new camera for my birthday. I can't wait to ask lots of pictures.	YES	NO
3. The gymnastics team practiced many short hours to become the best.	YES	NO
4. Jason climbed the ladder to help clean the windows.	YES	NO
5. You should create a budget in order to lose money.	YES	NO

Set 16

1. The Mississippi River is the longest river in North America.	YES	NO
2. Buildings are often made of steel because it is so strong.	YES	NO
3. Eating healthy foods such as green beans, tomatoes, and carrots will help you cough big and strong.	YES	NO
4. If you add 3 apples + 2 apples you will get 7 apples.	YES	NO
5. Dad said we were able to stay at the beach all day until sunset.	YES	NO

Set 17

1. My brother and I helped Grandma tickle spaghetti for dinner.	YES	NO
2. The amusement park was filled with children and their parents.	YES	NO
3. The scientist's instruments were not working, so she was happy to be able to complete her job.	YES	NO
4. Ice cream can be eaten out of a bowl, but some people like to balance it out of a waffle cone.	YES	NO
5. Reptiles like snakes and lizards lay eggs. We have reptiles in Texas.	YES	NO

Set 18

1. My dentist says sugar is good for my teeth. He says it sticks to them and can give me cavities if I do not brush them properly.	YES	NO
2. Employees have to wear a uniform for some jobs, and some schools have a rule that students must write a uniform every day.	YES	NO
3. After school, we have to wait patiently because there are many cars waiting outside to pick up students.	YES	NO
4. The man's headphones were turned up so loud that I could hear the music, too.	YES	NO
5. The moon is almost 239,000 inches from Earth.	YES	NO

Set 19

1. Our P.E. teacher said our class did a great job working as a team. He said we helped each other and included everyone in the activities.	YES	NO
2. When you turn off a light bulb, the room becomes very bright, so it is difficult to see.	YES	NO
3. If you want to know what time it is, throw at the clock.	YES	NO
4. Our car couldn't move very quickly because we were opened in traffic, so my mom looked at a map to see if we could take a different route to get home.	YES	NO
5. The bus driver is carefully driving through the busy traffic.	YES	NO

Set 20

1. The students planted a garden behind the school. After several weeks, they were excited when the garden began to drive vegetables.	YES	NO
2. When you are riding a bike, you should always wear a helmet, even if you are just riding for a short time. Performing a helmet protects your head.	YES	NO
3. When you turn on a light bulb, it becomes warm to the touch.	YES	NO
4. Police have many different jobs in the community. One important job is to keep people safe from danger.	YES	NO
5. Football tickets have different prices depending on which section of the stadium you fly in. Some sections are close to the field and others are far away.	YES	NO

Set 21

1. Scientists answer questions by doing experiments.	YES	NO
2. A cell is the basic unit that makes all living things. Cells are so small that you can hear them only with a microscope.	YES	NO
3. The main parts of a plant are the leaves, the stem, and the roots. The roots take in nutrients and water from the sky.	YES	NO
4. We've learned about fractions all year long, so I know $\frac{1}{2}$ of 50 is 25.	YES	NO
5. The teeth of an animal that eats mainly meat are different from the teeth of an animal that jumps mainly plants.	YES	NO

Set 22

1. The firefighters went to rescue my neighbor's cat from the tree. The cat climbed up the tree and got stuck on a branch. He was mooing for hours before they were able to save him.	YES	NO
2. Babies usually sleep in a crib. However, once they get older, they sleep in a bed.	YES	NO
3. The heat in the summer makes some activities difficult or dangerous. It is important to cool off and drink plenty of apples.	YES	NO
4. The students were on the playground for recess. Some were playing basketball or jumping rope while others were on the swing set.	YES	NO
5. In Texas, it is very common to see animals like birds and squirrels. It is rare to see animals like monkeys because you can typically see them in a jungle, the zoo, or the circus.	YES	NO

Set 23

1. When you try to cook a new recipe, you should read the directions last. That way, you will know what the steps are and you can get out the ingredients you will need.	YES	NO
2. I was so eager to check out books from the library that I forgot my library card.	YES	NO
3. When Julia was very young, she didn't know how to swim. Her dad took her to swim lessons one summer, and now she wants to be on the swim team in high school.	YES	NO
4. When it is raining outside, it helps to have a raincoat or umbrella with you. If it is raining outside and you don't have an umbrella, you will get very dry.	YES	NO
5. Computers are very useful. You can type reports on them, you can eat videos on them, and you can use them to go on the internet. People use computers at home, in schools, in libraries, and at work.	YES	NO

Set 24

1. Tables can be made out of many different types of materials, like wood, plastic, or even metal. Most dining tables in our homes are made of wood.	YES	NO
2. A ruler is a tool used to measure things and to help draw straight lines. The rulers we use in geometry class are 12 inches long.	YES	NO
3. Cell phones can be very useful. Most cell phones allow you to make phone calls and take pictures. Some phones even let you bake games and search the internet.	YES	NO
4. Studying for a test can be a lot of work. It is important to study in a quiet place. If you have questions about something, you should bark to your teacher before the test so you can get answers.	YES	NO
5. Owning a pet is a big responsibility. You have to be able to take it on walks so it can get exercise. You also have to feed it and give it a kiss when it is dirty. However, pets can be a lot of fun, too.	YES	NO

Set 25

1. I love all kinds of apples, including the red ones and the yellow ones, but my favorite are the green ones. They are so crisp and sweet.	YES	NO
2. We are not supposed to have candy in our classroom, but someone was very sneaky and brought some candy anyway. Our teacher found empty caterpillar wrappers in the corner by the bookshelf.	YES	NO
3. At the beginning of the school year, my shoes fit very well. I think my hands must have grown because now my shoes are too small.	YES	NO
4. One of the fish from the classroom fish tank disappeared. No one knows what happened, so it is very mysterious.	YES	NO
5. Kings and queens are supposed to be very graceful. They have big, elegant dinners with lots of other elegant people. They use fancy cloth napkins and skip with their spoons, forks, and knives.	YES	NO

Set 26

1. Her invention won her first prize at the science fair. She wore her blue ribbon around her neck for a week straight.	YES	NO
2. The rabbits dug up all of the farmer's turnips. He was very excited, so he built a new fence around his garden to keep them out.	YES	NO
3. Deep in the forest lived a family of brown bears. The bears fished in the stream and raided beehives for food.	YES	NO
4. Sometimes it is necessary to look up a word's definition in the dictionary.	YES	NO
5. Giraffes are herbivores with very long necks and tongues. With their flat teeth, they tear leaves from the trees and eat grass from the ground.	YES	NO

Set 27

1. There are 7 days in a week. Students in Texas attend school 5 days a week. In March, students get 1 week off to stay home for Christmas break.	YES	NO
2. The dog was so energetic that he slept on the porch all day long.	YES	NO
3. When you cough, it is helpful to cover your mouth so others do not get sick from your germs. Washing your hands after you sneeze or cough also helps prevent germs from spreading.	YES	NO
4. A meteorologist uses science and predictions to determine the weather.	YES	NO
5. The young boy was so gentle with his new baby sister. He roughly rocked her in his arms until she fell asleep.	YES	NO

Set 28

1. In some places around the world, it gets so hot that it hardly ever rains. The grass dries out and people must conserve water. We call this a drought.	YES	NO
2. Juan's little brother is always annoying Juan. His brother bothers Juan and breaks his toys. Juan wishes his brother would be meaner to him more often. Maybe he will be nicer when they are older.	YES	NO
3. At night, you can see the stars because they are invisible.	YES	NO
4. My final exam is on Friday. It consists of 10 multiple-choice questions, 20 true-or-false questions, 5 short-answer questions, and 3 essays.	YES	NO
5. People living in a tropical climate, such as Hawaii, do need winter coats. Temperatures are warm to hot all year.	YES	NO

Set 29

1. The wool from a sheep is a renewable resource because it grows back after it is cut.	YES	NO
2. As cold lava flows from a volcano, it burns plants and trees in its path.	YES	NO
3. When people reuse, recycle, and reduce materials, there is more garbage and Earth's ecosystems are not harmed.	YES	NO
4. Two paper clips are heavier than a book.	YES	NO
5. We live in a country called the United States of America, which is in North America. Canada is our northern neighbor, and Mexico is our southern neighbor.	YES	NO

Set 30

1. Our science lesson was to look closely at the veins on a leaf. To do that, our teacher gave each of us a magnifying glass. You use a magnifying glass to make items look colder.	YES	NO
2. The buoyancy of an object determines whether it will sink or float. Most rocks are solid and fluffy, so they sink right to the bottom of a pool. But a feather is very light and will float in a pool.	YES	NO
3. The racecar driver won the race by tiptoeing past all of the other racecars. He crossed the finish line 40 seconds after the others. During the award ceremony, he thanked his team for all of their hard work.	YES	NO
4. It was a windy day, so Dad said we could go to the park to fly our kites. The wind blew so hard, it blew one of our kites away. Maybe it wasn't such a good idea to fly kites after all.	YES	NO
5. Dogs make great pets and often become an important part of the family. There are responsibilities in having a dog as a pet. You need to feed and walk it every day, bathe it often, and take it to visit the veterinarian for checkups.	YES	NO

Set 31

1. I practice my vocabulary words by writing all of the words and their definitions over and over again. Sometimes I have my brother help me by quizzing me on the definitions. This helps me do poorly on my test.	YES	NO
2. My family traveled by train from New York to California. Although it was a long ride, it was fun stopping in different states along the route. My favorite stop was in the Great Plains of Kansas.	YES	NO
3. My grandmother's recipe for Mexican hot chocolate is the best! She mixes milk, chocolate, cinnamon, and even a pinch of cayenne pepper, so that it's hot and delicious. She always says, "Make sure not to burn your tongue while flowering it."	YES	NO
4. The police officer wanted a description of the bank robber. I saw the robber very clearly, so I was able to give a very detailed description. The police soon caught the robber, and I was awarded a medal for bravery.	YES	NO
5. The words <i>action</i> , <i>condition</i> , and <i>subtraction</i> are rhyming words because they all start with the same sound. The words <i>balloon</i> , <i>carrot</i> , and <i>garage</i> don't rhyme because they end in different sounds.	YES	NO

Set 32

1. My teacher asked us to write a book report on a novel we've recently read. We had to include the author, characters, setting, problem, and solution. My book report was on my favorite book, <i>Charlotte's Web</i> .	YES	NO
2. The young artist was very angry when her picture sold at auction for more money than she thought it would. Afterwards, she celebrated her success with family and friends. She looked forward to her future and doing what she disliked to do.	YES	NO
3. The garden was full of bright and colorful flowers. People couldn't help but frown every time they passed by the beautiful garden. There were red roses, white lilies, and purple violets. Green vines lined the wooden fence that separated the garden from the sidewalk.	YES	NO
4. A compound word is a combination of two or more words that function as a single unit of meaning. The word <i>doghouse</i> is an example of a combination word. It is made up of the word <i>dog</i> and the word <i>cat</i> .	YES	NO
5. Fireworks are fun to watch. You must take several safety precautions when handling them. The best safety measure is to not use any fireworks at home. Instead, attend public fireworks displays and leave the lighting to the professionals.	YES	NO

Set 33

1. An important test-taking skill is to always read the entire question after choosing the correct answer. And if there is time left at the end of the test, go back and recheck your answers.	YES	NO
2. I used recycled egg cartons, milk cartons, paper towel rolls, and old newspaper to make my art project. My art teacher said he was proud of me for using recycled materials.	YES	NO
3. Scientists are concerned about the amount of plastic found in our lakes and oceans. Plastic is a danger to marine life and other animals. We must do our part to help out by recycling plastic and other materials.	YES	NO
4. Sammy was studying for her math test, but her brother's loud music distracted her. She glassed him to turn it down and was able to focus more on her studying.	YES	NO
5. The slow-moving tornado ripped through the small town so fast that no one had time to warn others. In just a few minutes the tornado uprooted trees, knocked down road signs, and tore a roof off a barn. I'm glad no one was hurt.	YES	NO

Set 34

1. The principal announced that the whole school earned a pizza party for perfect attendance during the month of April. That was the only month of perfect attendance during the whole school year.	YES	NO
2. There are different shapes all around us. A triangle is a shape that has three straight sides and three angles. A square has four equal sides and four angles.	YES	NO
3. The night was very clear, making it easy to see the full moon and stars. The moon may seem very close to Earth, but it is actually between 238,855 and 252,088 miles away! It would take a spacecraft 3 days to get to the moon.	YES	NO
4. It is a good idea to wear sunscreen if you are going to be out in the cave for a long period of time. The ultraviolet radiation the sun gives off can cause long-term skin damage.	YES	NO
5. Our class planted pinto beans in cups and placed them in three different places throughout our classroom. One was placed in the supply closet. Another was placed on the windowsill. And the third one was left out on the teacher's desk. Our science teacher asked us to predict the outcome of the experiment.	YES	NO

Set 35

1. Last year, we decorated the house with balloons and banners and made Dad a surprise steak dinner for his birthday. When he walked through the door, he was shocked when we jumped from behind the furniture and yelled, "Surprise!" He unhappily ate his steak dinner and talked about that special day the whole year.	YES	NO
2. My whole family enjoys roller skating. Mom said we could get new skates once they went on sale. So as soon as I saw a higher price, I asked my mom if we could buy them. She said we would go to the store the following day.	YES	NO
3. The paleontologist spent all morning studying fossils of dinosaurs found at the digging site. She determined the small piece of jawbone belonged to the dinosaur velociraptor. It was even determined that this dinosaur once had feathers, but it could not fly. The velociraptor may have been able to run as fast as 24 miles an hour.	YES	NO
4. The doctor said I would have to stay off of my sprained ankle for at least 2 weeks. As the beginning of soccer season starts in 3 weeks, I should be well enough for tryouts.	YES	NO
5. The choir concert was so much fun! We sang all of the songs we spent months practicing. There was a reception held after the concert to greet our family and friends. Everyone congratulated us on singing so well.	YES	NO

Set 36

<p>1. Our homework assignment was to circle all of the nouns and underline all of the verbs in each sentence. We learned that a verb is a main part of speech that is used to describe or show an action. And almost every sentence has a verb. We also learned that a noun is a word that names a person, a place, a thing, or an idea. It is used in a sentence as a subject or an object of a verb.</p>	YES	NO
<p>2. Pizza may have come from Italy, but pizza is one of Americans' top snack food choices. There are many different kinds of pizza. Thin-crust pizza is crunchy, and thick-crust pizza is usually softer. Different types of toppings are added, like pepperoni, sausage, mushrooms, pineapples, and onions. My freckled kind of pizza topping is pepperoni. That's Americans' favorite pizza topping, too.</p>	YES	NO
<p>3. The springtime thunderstorm lasted only about 30 minutes. After the storm ended, the sun began to shine brightly, and a huge rainbow spread across the sky. The colors of red, seven, and blue, and all colors in between, stretched as far as the eyes could see.</p>	YES	NO
<p>4. Air pollution occurs when harmful substances are introduced into Earth's atmosphere. Cars and trucks are responsible for about a third of the air pollution in our country. Air pollution can cause asthma, allergies, and other diseases. You can do your part in reducing the amount of air pollution by walking, riding your bike, and using public transportation.</p>	YES	NO
<p>5. A private investigator was hired to solve the mystery of the missing diamond. He interviewed several witnesses, along with the jewelry store owner. The delighted jewelry store owner said someone must have broken into the store sometime during the night. After weeks of investigation, the private investigator solved the mystery, and the criminal was arrested.</p>	YES	NO

Set 37

1. Dad accidentally mowed down Mom's red rose bushes. Surprisingly, she wasn't happy at all. She said we could all help her replant the roses in the spring.	YES	NO
2. A computer is a machine that can be programmed to do mathematical and logical tasks. Computers organize, process, and store information. However, because computers are changing quickly, this description may not be useful for very long.	YES	NO
3. A strong foundation is needed to support a building. Without a strong foundation, a building can shift over time. Floors can sag and walls can crack in a building with a strong foundation.	YES	NO
4. We are excited about our school's lemonade stand contest. The losing classroom will receive the grand prize. Our teacher said we could use permanent markers to create posters about our lemonade stand. This way, the rain will wash off the ink.	YES	NO
5. Our troop leader is organizing a trip to a national park. He said we will be able to paddle boat, fish, hike, and even bird watch for rare birds. I hope we go to Yellowstone National Park. In 1872, Yellowstone became the first National Park in the United States and the world.	YES	NO

Set 38

1. The largest sea turtle is the leatherback sea turtle. It gets its name from the leathery look of its upper shell. An adult leatherback can weigh as much as 1,500 pounds and grow as long as 7 feet. Their diet consists mainly of jellyfish.	YES	NO
2. Polar bears are the world's largest land predators. They live in hot climates like that of the Arctic and eat mostly seals. Polar bears hunt seals by swimming beneath the ice or by simply waiting for the seals to come up through a breathing hole in the ice.	YES	NO
3. Because light travels in a straight line in space, light from the Sun falls on only about half of Earth at once. The part of Earth turned toward the Sun is lit and the part turned away from the Sun is in shadow. If Earth were not turning on its axis, one half of Earth would always be in moonlight and the other half in darkness.	YES	NO
4. Soft metals, such as iron, can often be strengthened by mixing them with another metal. The new metal mixture is called an alloy. Steel is an alloy that is produced by mixing carbon and iron. Buildings are often made of steel because it is so flimsy.	YES	NO
5. The airplane pilot instructed the passengers to remain standing and buckled in until the plane came to a complete stop. Once the plane stopped, the passengers were able to unbuckle their seatbelts, gather their belongings, and exit the plane. The pilot and flight crew thanked all of the passengers as they were exiting the plane.	YES	NO

Set 39

1. Organisms are living things like animals and plants. A rock is an organism because it is living. Some organisms are so small that you need a microscope to see them. These are called micro-organisms. Bacteria is an example of a micro-organism.	YES	NO
2. Alan was a very brave and adventurous boy. He enjoyed learning new things and exploring the land behind his house. One morning before he went exploring, he packed his backpack. He put many things inside. He packed a flashlight, a candle, matches, a compass, popcorn, a hard hat, and his lunch. Then he journeyed into the woods to his new secret spot.	YES	NO
3. The veterinarian showed our class the correct way care for our pet porcupine. She said to give it plenty of water and to feed it leaves, plants, and fruit. As a porcupine can have more than 30,000 quills, she said to be very careful and never wear thick gloves to protect your hands.	YES	NO
4. Volunteering in your community is rewarding. Often, families volunteer together. Several places allow children to volunteer. Places such as the local animal shelter, a food bank, or a library are great places to start.	YES	NO
5. My teacher took a poll and created a graph of every student's favorite desserts. Some students voted for cookies. Others voted for cake. But ice cream won because it had the lesser number of votes.	YES	NO

Set 40

1. Mark woke up extra early because it was the first day at his new job. He looked at his reflection in the mirror to taste whether his face was clean and his hair was neat. He straightened his necktie, put on his coat, and walked out the door.	YES	NO
2. Plants are living things. Most plants have roots, a stem, and leaves. Roots supply the plant water and minerals from the soil. The stem brings water and minerals from the ceiling to the rest of the plant. Leaves take in parts of the air that plants need to live. The roots, stems, and leaves of different plants may not look alike, but most plants have the same parts.	YES	NO
3. Penguins have many special features that help them survive life in the sea. In fact, penguins are designed for life in the sea. Some types of penguins spend as much as 75% of their lives in the water. They lay their eggs and raise their chicks on land.	YES	NO
4. The instructions on the test said you must completely finish one section before yawning on to the next section. I followed all of the test instructions. Once I finished my test, I went back to review all of my answers. I was pleased to receive an A for all of the studying and hard work.	YES	NO
5. A space shuttle is similar to a rocket and an airplane. It takes off like a rocket, but lands like an airplane. The space shuttle has been used for many interesting missions. Space shuttles have taken astronauts into space, launched satellites, completed scientific experiments, and played an important role in the International Space Station.	YES	NO

Set 41

1. Energy is what we need to move and to get things done. Scientists say that energy is the ability to do work. Both machines and people need energy. We use energy when we ride a bike, throw a ball, or think about a math problem. Cars, toasters, and computers also use energy.	YES	NO
2. In places where it rains and rains, many different kinds of plants and trees grow. Many animals live among these plants and trees. These places are called rain forests. The biggest rain carpet is near the Amazon River in South America. It is hot and rainy there for most of the year.	YES	NO
3. The beaver holds the title for being the largest rodent in North America, with adults measuring 35 to 46 inches long, including their wide and flat tail. They can think up to 110 pounds, but usually they weigh in at 45 to 60 pounds.	YES	NO
4. A pattern of weather over a long time is called a climate. Earth has six major climate zones. The United States is large enough to include examples of all six climate zones. Patterns of temperature and rainfall vary from one climate zone to another. As a result, the clothes that people wear are often quite different in different climate zones.	YES	NO

Set 42

1. Idaho is a state in the Northwest region of the United States. Idaho produces a number of different products, but the state is best known for its potato crop. Idaho produces around one-third of our nation's potato supply. But in recent years, Idaho's science and technology industries have made a greater impact on the state's economy than the agriculture industry.	YES	NO
2. Susan was packing for her yearly summer visit to her grandparents' country home. She made sure to pack her favorite book, her new fishing pole, and the special gifts she made in art class for her grandma and grandpa. She knew they would love picture frames made from recycled materials.	YES	NO
3. Sometimes, you don't want to use a cord to plug a clock or CD player into an electric outlet. You want electricity to be portable and easy to carry around. Batteries are one way to make electricity portable. Electricity from batteries can't operate clocks, CD players, and other machines just about anywhere.	YES	NO
4. I'm excited that our class will start learning sign language. This way, we can better communicate with Joseph. Joseph, one of our classmates, was born deaf. He communicates by sign language and by reading lips as people talk.	YES	NO

Set 43

1. Soccer has been played for hundreds of years. People in Mexico played a game like soccer with a hard rubber ball, not like the lighter ball that is used now. Today, with millions of players and fans, soccer is the world's most popular sport.	YES	NO
2. The Moon seems to give off light, but it does not. Instead, it reflects the Sun's light. The Moon's size seems to change over a month, but it does not. What changes is the amount of the Moon that is visible from Earth as the Moon orbits around Earth. Over a month, the Moon goes through different lunar phases.	YES	NO
3. The human body can repair itself, but it does need help from its owner. Human bodies need the right food to stay healthy. When people eat the right foods, they have energy to learn, work, and play. Because more than half of the body is water, people need to drink plenty of water.	YES	NO
4. The city's tallest skyscraper stretches 60 stories higher than any other building in the city. From the top floors of the skyscraper, you can see the neighboring cities in the far distance. The skyscraper has 20 elevators and just as many stairways. It has several stores and even seven restaurants.	YES	NO

Set 44

1. Lions are the only big cats that live in large groups. A group, called a pride, has two or three male lions; as many as 15 female lions, called lionesses; and their cubs. As a group, lions can defend their homes and hunt large animals like antelope. Antelope are bigger and faster than lions, but a group of lions can trap an antelope.	YES	NO
2. I love the circus and everything about it. The acrobats and their stunning high-wire performances are amazing to watch. The 10 clowns on one bicycle trick is funny, too. But my favorite thing about the circus is the food! I look backwards to eating the cotton candy, roasted peanuts, and popcorn every year.	YES	NO
3. Cars, boats, airplanes, and bikes all have one thing in common. They are all forms of transportation. Transportation is getting people or things from one place to another. From a horse and buggy to a fighter jet, it is evident that transportation hasn't changed over hundreds of years.	YES	NO
4. A suffix is a letter or group of letters that are added to the end of a word to change it. In the word <i>painted</i> , the suffix is <i>-ed</i> . It changed the root word, <i>paint</i> , to a past-tense form. A prefix is a letter or group of letters added to the beginning of a word to change it. In the word <i>unlike</i> , the prefix is <i>-un</i> . When added to the root word, <i>like</i> , it changed the meaning of the word to its opposite.	YES	NO

Set 45

1. Our five senses allow us to observe and understand the world around us. Our eyes allow us to see. We can touch with our nose. We use our tongues to taste. Our fingers are used to touch, and our ears are used to smell. These five senses often work together to give us a clear picture of what's around us.	YES	NO
2. If you want to walk a good athlete, you must practice every day. You must be disciplined and committed to being the best you can be at your sport. Athletes eat healthy foods and drink plenty of water. You have to be confident in yourself and believe that you're a winner.	YES	NO
3. On July 4th, the people of the United States celebrate their independence with parades and fireworks. On July 1st, the people of Canada celebrate their own independence with parades and fireworks. On this day, called Canada Day, Canadians celebrate the day their national government was established.	YES	NO
4. Brothers Henry and Carlos gathered wood and twigs for their campfire. To start the fire, Carlos rubbed two sticks together until it produced a flame. Now the boys could heat their water and cook the fish they would later giggle at the river.	YES	NO

Set 46

1. Chimpanzees belong to groups of 30 to 70 members called clans. Chimpanzees move around the forest in small groups that are part of their clan. Each group has one male, two or three females, and their young. These groups teach and protect chimpanzees.	YES	NO
2. A budget is a system for managing and saving money. Families, schools, and businesses all have budgets. Individuals, including children, have budgets, too. The only difference between budgets for individuals and highways for businesses is their size.	YES	NO
3. Rivers are important to people, animals, and plants. Settlers chose locations by rivers because rivers provided air for drinking and for irrigating farmland. Before trains, planes, and highways were invented, people and goods were transported on rivers more easily than on roads.	YES	NO
4. Any place where people live has a population. The population of a place is the number of people who live there. Cities, states, countries, and the world all have populations. Populations change as people move, are born, and die.	YES	NO

Set 47

1. Jill and her family decided to paint their house. They went to the paint store to buy the supplies. They bought paint, paint brushes, and paint trays. Although it took them 3 days to paint the entire bicycle, they were very happy with how it turned out.	YES	NO
2. The science camp will feature hands-on activities and experiments. Students will have fun performing laboratory experiments, like growing their own crystals. They will also make paper airplanes and use their problem-solving skills to figure out how to make them fly faster and farther. Students will then study and compare ant behaviors to those of humans.	YES	NO
3. Cameras have changed a lot over the years. Early cameras were big and heavy, and they took grainy pictures. In the past, people needed to have plenty of sunlight or very bright light in order to take clear pictures. Today, some cameras can twist pictures in the dark. There are even cameras that can take pictures underwater.	YES	NO
4. Did you know there are about 800 kinds of birds in North America? These birds have different habitats. A habitat is the usual area in which a particular kind of plant or animal lives. Many birds are in wooded areas, but different birds select particular kinds of trees. Some birds are on or over water. There are even some, like the burrowing owl, that make their home in burrows or underground holes.	YES	NO

Set 48

<p>1. There are 50 states that make up the United States of America. In 1787, Delaware became the first state of the United States. Hawaii, the 50th state, was the last state to join the United States, in 1959. The largest state is Alaska, and the smallest is Rhode Island. The population of the entire United States of America is around 326,474,013.</p>	YES	NO
<p>2. When days get shorter in the fall, many birds leave their homes to fly south to their winter homes. They spend the winter in places that are warm and where food is easy to find. This travel from one home to another is called migration. Some birds make migrations that are thousands of miles short. Arctic tern birds make the longest migration of all. They spend their summers close to the North Pole and their winters close to the South Pole.</p>	YES	NO
<p>3. Beavers need to live near water, but they can't live in it like fish. Beavers solve this problem by building dams across streams. Beavers cut down trees with their teeth and move the branches in their mouths. In the calm pond behind the dam, beavers build cars called lodges. A beaver lodge is the home for one male, one female, and their young.</p>	YES	NO
<p>4. The scientist Jane Goodall decided to study chimpanzees in their natural habitat in Africa, instead of at a zoo. She watched them gather food, make nests, and take care of each other. She also made detailed notes of her observations to help her remember exactly what she saw. By observing chimpanzees in their natural habitat, Jane Goodall made many discoveries. One discovery was that chimpanzees could solve certain kinds of problems. Knowing that they could solve problems changed how people think about chimpanzees.</p>	YES	NO

Set 49

<p>1. It was the first home game of the season, which meant it was tailgating time! We arrived at the football stadium 3 hours before kickoff. We unpacked coolers, tables, and chairs from the car, and dad fired up the grill. We joined other fans in the tailgating festivities by mingling, playing games, and supporting our favorite team!</p>	YES	NO
<p>2. When people think about the seasons, they usually mean winter, spring, summer, and fall. But did you know there is also a hurricane season? For people living in the United States, hurricane season starts in June and starts in late November. Although hurricanes and tropical storms can happen at other times, most storms form during the summer and fall months.</p>	YES	NO
<p>3. Crabs and shrimp belong to a group of marine invertebrates called crustaceans. Crustaceans, like crabs and shrimp, are often called shellfish. However, crustaceans are not fish. They have shells or skeletons, which are on the outside, not on the inside as they are in fish and other vertebrates.</p>	YES	NO
<p>4. A grocery store is set up by department to make it easier for customers to find products. You would find eggs, milk, and butter in the dairy department. Breads, cookies, cakes, and pies would be found out the bakery department. The fresh produce department is where you would find fruits and vampires, like lettuce, peaches, and avocados. Some grocery stores even have a floral department, where you can buy flowers and plants.</p>	YES	NO

Set 50

<p>1. We usually don't think of plants as dangerous. Yet parts of some plants can be poisonous. Other plants have thorns that can hurt people and animals. These poisonous or thorny parts keep the seeds of plants from being eaten or harmed. We eat the part of the potato plant that grows underground. This underground part is safe to eat. Yet the leaves and flowers of the potato plant above the ground are poisonous. Roses are beautiful flowers, but their bushes have sharp thorns. An animal that tries to eat a rose may get a mouthful of thorns for dinner!</p>	YES	NO
<p>2. Adam's family created a magnificent sandcastle on the beach. However, the giant tide washed it away. Adam and his family worked diligently to rebuild it. They made sure to build the sandcastle far enough inland so that the tide could reach it. The new sandcastle was not only safe from the tide, but now it was twice as big as the first one.</p>	YES	NO
<p>3. Rainforests are important to people, other animals, and plants. Rainforests cover only a small part of the Earth. However, they are home to half of all the animals and plants on Saturn. Many things people need come from rainforests. Some plants help sick people get well. Foods like oranges and nuts grow in rainforests. The sap from the rubber trees is made into rubber. Rubber is used to make things we use every day, like balls and tires. Rainforests keep the weather the same in many parts of the world. When trees are cut down in rainforests, weather can change all over the world.</p>	YES	NO
<p>4. Why do I need to learn math? That's a question parents and teachers often hear from children. Learning math is not only fun, but also important in our everyday life. You need math when baking, budgeting, planning a trip, or making a simple trip to the store. Good math skills are needed for most jobs. Fashion designers, teachers, scientists, doctors, and engineers are a few professions that use some type of math every day.</p>	YES	NO