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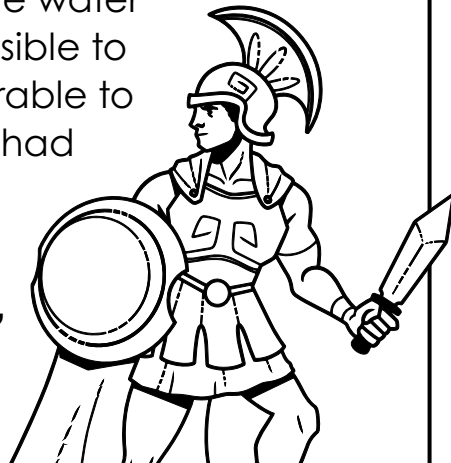


## ELA Buzz

Some myths say Achilles was dipped in the River Styx as a baby. Anywhere the water touched, he became impossible to hurt. The only spot left vulnerable to attacks was where his mom had held him: his heel.

If someone idiomatically calls something their **Achilles' heel**, what must it be?

a. something they hate



Complete each sentence using a synonym for the indicated word.

Some gods were \_\_\_\_\_ with one  
(furious)  
or both sides in the war.

Achilles and Paris were no



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adjective	plural	possessive

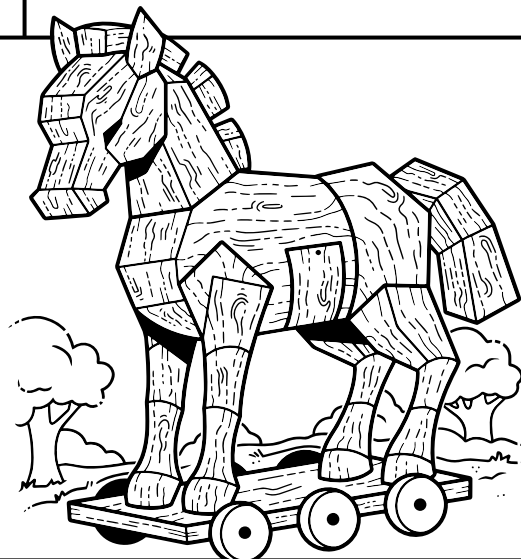
the bat \_\_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_\_ ld  
thr \_\_\_\_\_ out the  
10-year war.

Circle the five letters that should be capitalized.

the greek soldiers won the trojan war by hiding inside a wooden horse to attack the city of troy.

Which capitalized item does *not* appear in the sentence?

a. nationality    b. historical event    c. language



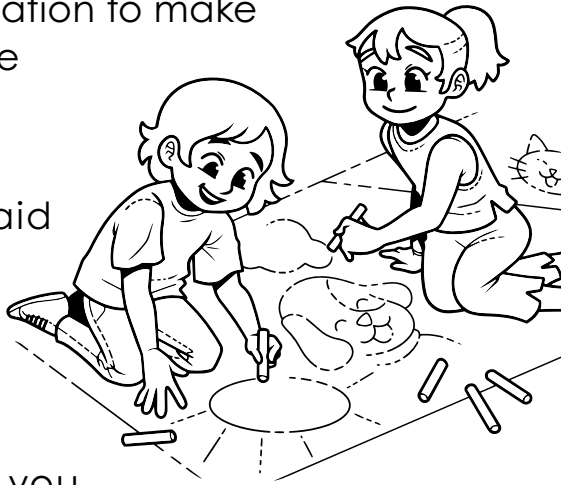
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Add punctuation to make the sentence correct.

If I win said  
Ramona  
then I'll  
split the  
prize with you



Use the correct homophone to complete each sentence.

**there    their    they're**

\_\_\_\_\_ clearing the  
parking lot for us to draw on.

\_\_\_\_\_ will be three judges.

Wow, all \_\_\_\_\_ artwork is



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compete

(participate in a competition)

victory

(success; a win)

Identify whether the bold word(s) is an adjective or adverb. Then identify its form.

My drawing is **less detailed** than Hamid's.

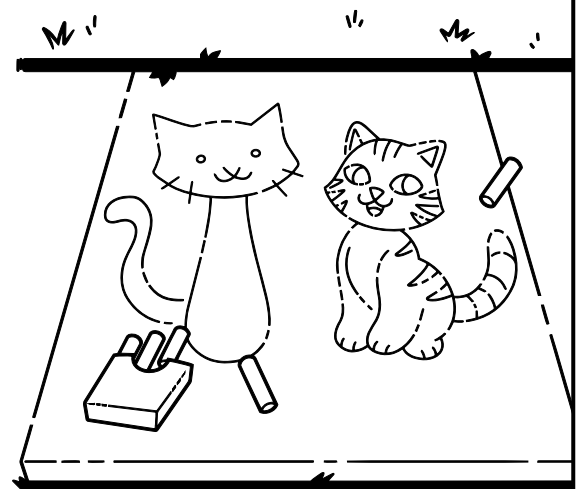
\_\_\_\_\_ (adjective/adverb)

\_\_\_\_\_ (comparative/superlative)

Katsumi completed her piece the **fastest**.

\_\_\_\_\_ (adjective/adverb)

\_\_\_\_\_ (comparative/superlative)



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Rewrite the sentence correctly.

Mine mom looked at we and said "You can chose the toppings yourselves."

6 errors

Circle the word that has the most negative connotation.

**fussy**      **particular**      **selective**

Elliott is \_\_\_\_\_  
when it comes to  
what kinds of  
pizza he'll eat.



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**italics**

**quotation marks**



sauce or spicy sausage upset his stomach.

Sara and Marc grabbed a table.

\_\_\_\_\_, Sydney went up to  
order food.

Fill in each blank with an adverb of the indicated type.

The place \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_ go  
(relative) (frequency)  
for pizza is closed.

"They won't be closed for \_\_\_\_\_ long," Dad  
said \_\_\_\_\_.  
(degree) (manner)



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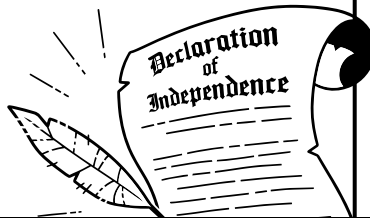
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Add a comma to make the sentence correct. Then check the box that tells why the underlined phrase is capitalized.

The American colonies voted on the Declaration of Independence on July 4 1776.

☐ It's a historical period.

☐ It's a speech title.



**warn** – to alert; to give notice

**worn** – showing damage from use

Fill in each blank with the correct homophone.

Paul Revere had to \_\_\_\_\_ people the British were coming.

The flag in the museum is old and \_\_\_\_\_



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***synonym***

***antonym***



☐ Many people thought the colonies' victory was surprising.

☐ My dog trembels when fireworks go off.

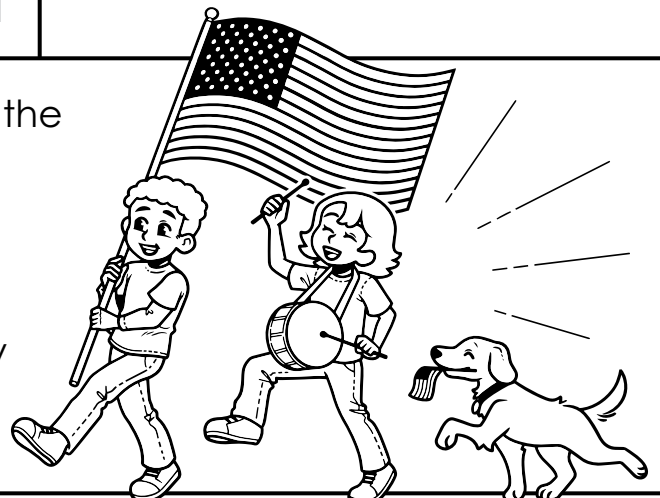
Fill in each blank with the correct pronoun of the indicated type.

The woman \_\_\_\_\_ plans our town's

(relative)

Independence Day parades funded the very first one by \_\_\_\_\_!

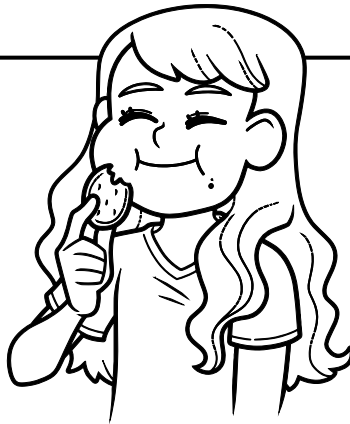
(reflexive)



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I know it can be distracting if done loudly. I know some people aren't great cleaning up after themselves. I still think the "no eating in class" policy should be changed.



Some kids snack with the nurse for their blood sugar. Wouldn't it be better if they could stay in class? It'd be good for the late kids who miss breakfast or lunch too. Plus, kids our age need more food to grow and stay focused.

If cleanliness is the biggest problem

Circle the correct word to complete the sentence.

Ms. Lugo uses several (shelf's / shelves / shelves') just for snacks.

Circle the correct missing letter. Then write the full word with the suffix **-ing**.



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Who is the passage's intended audience?

- a.** classmates      **b.** teachers      **c.** parents

What is the author's main purpose?

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80% of teachers see a link between hunger and poor concentration. That fact best supports which claim?

- a.** Kids can multitask while eating.  
**b.** Kids need more food to stay focused.  
**c.** Kids need more food to grow.

indicated word.

Most policy changes happen \_\_\_\_\_.  
(rapidly)

Complete the sentence using the most accurate word from the box.

**can      may      must**

Mr. Shah said he \_\_\_\_\_  
change his mind someday  
but won't promise anything.



If someone idiomatically calls something their **Achilles' heel**, what must it be?

- a. something they hate  
**b. a weakness**  
 c. a serious injury

Complete each sentence using a synonym for the indicated word.

Answers may vary.

Some gods were

**angry; mad** with one  
(furious)

**Achilles' bravery and heroism were well-respected by the other soldiers.**

Sort the four nouns in the sentence.

~~abstract~~ | ~~plural~~ | ~~posses-~~

Fill in the missing letters to correctly spell the words.

The warriors met  
 repeatedly on  
 the battlefield  
 throughout the

Circle the five letters that should be capitalized.

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 Trojan war by hiding inside  
 a wooden horse to attack  
 the city of Troy.

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Who is the passage's intended audience?

**b. teachers**

What is the author's purpose?  
**to convince teachers to let students eat in class**

80% of teachers see a link between hunger and poor concentration. That fact best supports which claim?

**b. Kids need more food to stay focused.**

Circle the correct word to complete the sentence.

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 (shelf's / **shelves** / shelves')  
 just for snacks.

Circle the correct missing letter. Then write the full word with the suffix **-ing**.

**e** u i

Don't we des\_rve a chance?

**deserving**

Complete the sentence using an antonym for the indicated word.

Most policy changes happen **slowly**.  
(rapidly)

Complete the sentence using the most accurate word from the box.

**can may must**

Mr. Shah said he **may**  
 change his mind someday  
 but won't promise anything.