

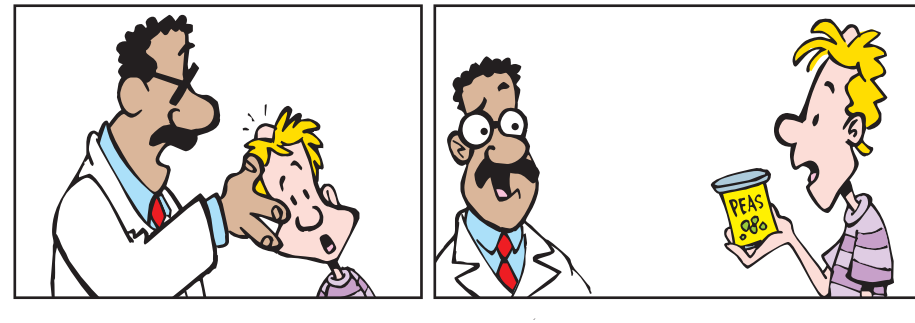


Laughter Around the World

Did you know that it takes more muscles to frown than it does to smile?
So, smile and the whole world smiles with you!

Just What the Doctor Ordered

Doctors even tell us that laughter can help sick people heal more quickly. All in all, a smile is very powerful.



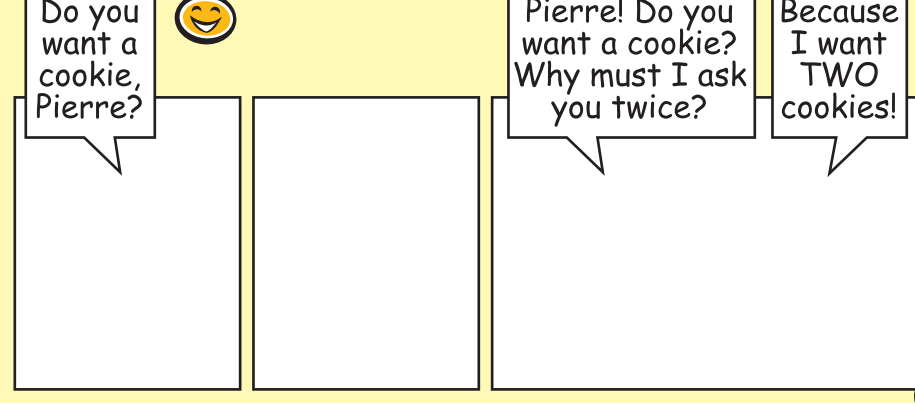
Cut out the word balloons below and paste them in the correct order on the comic strip above.



Standards Link: Health: Identify activities and actions that promote or enhance emotional health.

Laughter! The Universal Language!

There are jokes from all over the world. What can you learn about people by reading their jokes? Draw your own comic strip using this joke from Martinique.



Spain

What is a small, white chest that all know how to open and nobody knows how to close?

Jamaica

What is more useful when it is broken?

Zambia

What is an entire little house without a door?

Peru

In a pot there are two kinds of food. What is it?

Malawi

I have built my house without any door. What is it?

Afghanistan

In a bowl of china fixed, two liquids with colors unmixed. What is it?

Have you figured out the answer? If not, color all the boxes with odd numbers. Read the letters that are left and you will know the answer.

2	7	9	6	5	8	4	3	2
A	H	T	N	W	E	G	P	G

Standards Link: Social Science: Compare life in different places and recognize that some aspects of cultures are similar.

How many smiles can you find on this page?



Comedy Cafe

How many silly things can you circle in this picture?

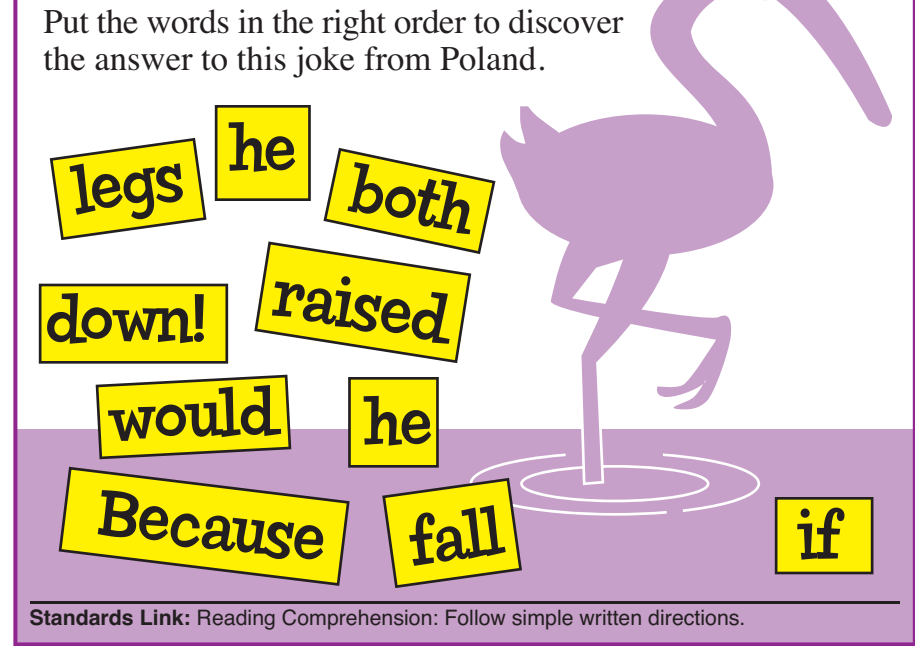
Extra! Extra! Superlative Fun

Look through the newspaper for three happy pictures. Label one "Happy," one "Happier," and one "Happiest." Repeat this game with other words.

Standards Link: Vocabulary Development: Understand comparative and superlative case.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Why does a crane raise one leg when he stands in the water?
Put the words in the right order to discover the answer to this joke from Poland.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

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SMILE	
LAUGHTER	
FOOD	
JOKES	
WORLD	
QUICKLY	
GUESS	
ORDER	
PEOPLE	
SILLY	
FUN	
LEARN	

W O D O O F E R A W
Y C P T V L D A C V
L O Q E I A O E R N
K R M M N U Y L A R
C D S P S G L P N A
I E A S Z H L O E E
U R E W C T I E N L
Q U J O K E S P U U
G B F D L R O W F Q

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Laughter Challenge

With a friend, take turns doing each of the activities below. How long can you hold a serious expression without laughing as your friend does one of these? Then switch and see if they can keep from smiling or laughing as you perform the activity.

Pretend to be a chicken slipping on a sheet of ice.

Act like a tiger stuck in a cactus patch.

Pretend to roller skate carrying a big wedding cake.

Perform an amazing catch in slow motion.

Do a fast dance to some slow music.

Sing your favorite song backwards.

Pretend to climb a mountain made of mashed potatoes.

Walk like a robot whose batteries are running down.

Pretend to swim across the floor.

Pretend to be a clumsy painter.

Act like a gorilla eating something very spicy.

Standards Link: Physical Education: Understand the health benefits of physical exercise.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **SUPERLATIVE**
The adjective **superlative** means of the highest quality, the very best.

Star Wars won awards for its **superlative** and creative special effects.

Try to use the word **superlative** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Good News/Bad News

In today's paper, categorize stories as either "good news" or "bad news." Explain why you think newspapers print "bad" news at times. Are there some stories that are bad news to some and good to other people?

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write formal letters; write persuasive compositions that state a position or proposal.

What is the longest word in the English language?

ANSWER: 'Smiles,' because there is a 'mille' between the first and last letters.

Write On!

I'M GOING BANANAS!

You start to peel a banana to put on your morning cereal and it suddenly begins to talk! Write about what happens next.