

Grade 2

S U M M E R

Packet





Dear 2nd Grade Families,
We are looking forward to seeing you in the fall!
This summer packet has everything you need to
be ready for second grade. All work should be
turned in by the first day of school (August 16,
2023).

Have a fun summer!

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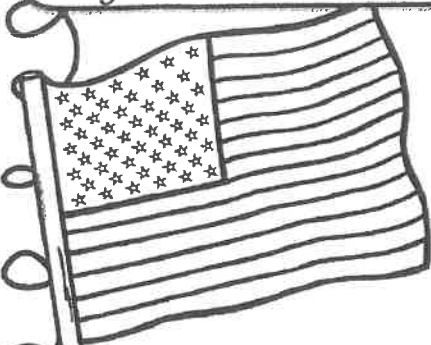
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Many children say the *Pledge of Allegiance* at school each day.

Flag Day

Word Count 119



The 50 stars represent the 50 states. A new star is added to the flag on the 4th of July following its entry to the Union.

The flag should be displayed at every schoolhouse on school days.

Did you know Flag Day is an old holiday? It is on June 14th. There are many facts about the U.S. flag.

Our flag has a few nicknames.

The Stars and Stripes is one nickname.

It is also called *Old Glory*. Another nickname is *The Star Spangled*

Banner. *The Star Spangled Banner* is also the title of the national **anthem**. It is sung before games.

The colors mean things. Red is for valor or courage. White means pure. Blue means justice.

Americans do many things for Flag Day. Some have a parade. They display *Old Glory*. *The Stars and Stripes* can be seen all week. It is a great time to **recite** the *Pledge* and sing *The Star Spangled Banner*!

1. What is *Old Glory*?

2. Underline the word **recite**. What does it mean?

3. What are some things people do for Flag Day? (Tip: Fourth Paragraph)

Betsy Ross
An American Legend

Flag Day

Try to memorize the *Star Spangled Banner*.
It is the U.S. National Anthem.

Oh say, can you see, by the dawn's early
light, what so proudly we hailed at the
twilight's last gleaming, whose broad
stripes and bright stars, through the
perilous fight, o'er the ramparts we
watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs
bursting in air, gave proof through the
night that our flag was still there.
Oh say, does that star-spangled banner
yet wave. O'er the land of the free and
the home of the brave?

Many stories say that General
George Washington asked Betsy
Ross to sew the first flag.

* Underline all the words with long vowel sounds.

Directions: Write the missing numbers. Count up by 10's.

22

32

42

17

38

Swimming

When you are swimming, put on sunscreen every two hours.



Can you swim? Anyone with arms or legs can learn to swim. Swimming is using your **limbs** to move in water.

People swim in lakes, pools, ponds, springs, lagoons, rivers, beaches, and at waterparks.

Nobody knows when people began to swim. There are records about it happening. There are old paintings in caves with swimming, too. They were made in the Stone Age. Pools were first in Europe and Asia. They were made many years ago. Then, swim sports started. Now, swimming is in the Olympics.

A swim style is called a stroke. There are basic strokes. The *doggie paddle* is an easy stroke. The *butterfly* is a hard stroke.

Swimming is a skill. A **swim instructor** can teach people how to swim. People can take swim classes. Part of learning how to swim is being brave and having a good attitude.

1. What is swimming?

2. Underline the word **limbs**. What does the word **limbs** mean?

3. Where can a swim instructor teach people how to swim?

Circle the word or words that help you understand what a swim instructor does.



Ten Less

One Less

47

One More

Ten More

Do you like to swim? Where do you swim? Who do you swim with? Write about a time you went swimming?

Write your answer HERE in complete sentences.

Sort these words!

bite

kid

bit

time

pine

swim

fine

fish

big

kite

fin

line

Sort Your Words

Sort the words from the box on the left.

Short

Long

[illegible]

All About July

Word Count 89



Did you know that two numbers go with July? They are two and seven. July is the seventh month of the year. There are seven months with 31 days. July is one of the seven. At the same time, it marks the second half of the year. July is also the second summer month.

July is named after *Julius Caesar*. He was a Roman general. July is *National Blueberry Month*, *Hot Dog Month*, and *Ice Cream Month*. July 4th is America's *Independence Day*. There are many facts about July.

1. What happens in July?

2. Who is July named after?

3. Why does the author say that the numbers two and seven go with July?

All About July

Directions: Write the missing numbers in each square.

$$9 + \square = 18$$

$$8 + \square = 16$$

$$6 - 3 = \square$$

$$8 - 3 = \square$$

$$\square + 4 = 10$$

$$\square + 7 = 14$$

$$8 + 11 = \square$$

$$4 + 8 = \square$$

$$17 + \square = 20$$

$$\square - 7 = 7$$

$$20 - 5 = \square$$

$$6 + \square = 12$$

What is your favorite thing about July?

Write your answer HERE in complete sentences.



Ice cream



Today, ice cream is made with ice, milk, sugar, and flavoring.

Do you like ice cream? Many children love it. People have liked it for years!

Ice cream was first made with ice and snow. People would pour milk and fruit juice on them. It was "old-fashioned" ice cream. It was made in winter. Some people stored it underground. George Washington did this. He saved some for summer.

Then, refrigerators were made. People started eating it everyday. There were ice cream parlors. People would buy ice cream floats. Children liked to get banana splits. Everyone loved ice cream sundaes.

Now, we have foods like ice cream. There are frozen yogurts. We can also get popsicles and ice cream sandwiches. Sorbet is a non-dairy ice cream. It is made with fruits.

1. Circle your favorite paragraph. What is it about?

2. What was ice cream first made of?

3. What is sorbet?

The first ice cream cones started out with rolled waffles stuffed with ice cream.

Ice cream

Use $<$, $=$, or $>$ to compare the numbers.

23

$<$

33

55

56

20

20

60

50

21

12

93

99

34

43

49

94

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25

54

45

90

92

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34

What is your favorite kind of ice cream? Tell why it is your favorite.

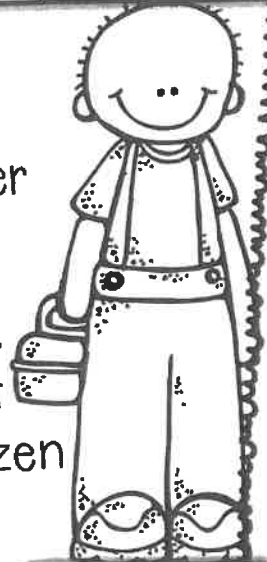
Write your answer HERE in complete sentences.

Catching the First Fish

The grandfather always said,
"A still tongue makes a wise head."

James remembered his training when fishing. Be careful, be quiet, and be patient. James and his grandfather were at the dock.

They started to fish. "Cast your line," said grandfather. "Cast means to throw your line into the water." James cast his line. He reeled as soon as it hit the water. He did it a dozen times while Grandpa left his line in the water.



The grandfather was
wise and quiet.

"Remember, patience," said grandpa. James ignored him. He was loud, "this is taking forever!" Suddenly, SPLASH grandpa caught a fish! "See, you have to be patient," said his grandpa.



After James caught his first
fish, he grinned from ear to ear.

This time, James was patient. He cast his line and waited. To help him wait, he watched the seagulls fly. Before he knew it, he felt something on his line. He pulled and reeled like a tug-o-war. His grandpa cheered for him. James was excited. Patience helped him catch his first fish.

1. What lesson did James learn?
2. Circle the word **ignored** in the third paragraph. What does it mean?
3. What did James do while waiting to catch a fish?

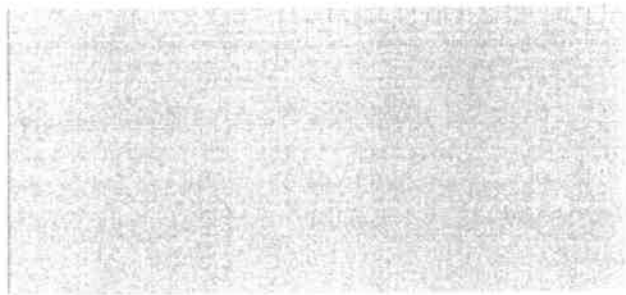
Catching the First Fish

Tell a story about when you went fishing or make up a story about going fishing. Maybe have a boat in your story.

Write your answer HERE in complete sentences.

Directions: Complete each word problem below by adding or subtracting.

Carly put 5 fish in the bucket.
Her friend Kim put 3 in the bucket.
How many fish are in the bucket now?



In the summer, Tom caught 12 fish.
His friend Mark caught 6 fish.
How many more fish did Tom catch?



Luke knows the names of 15
different kinds of fish. He went to
the library to read and learn about 5
more fish. How many fish names
does Luke know now?

Kim has 7 fish. Emma has 2 fish.
How many more fish does Kim have
than Emma?

