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Family Times

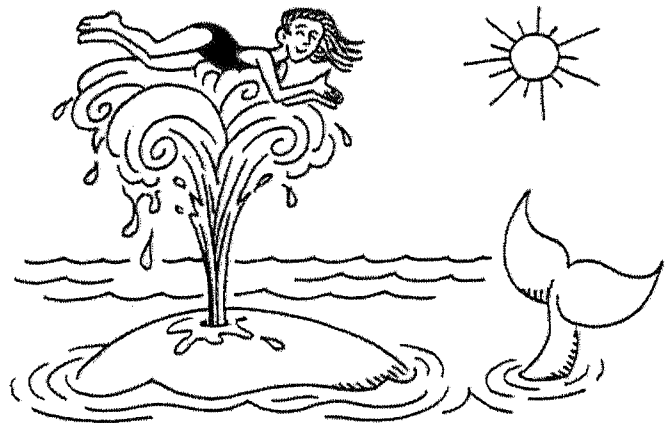
Summary

Adelina's Whales

Adelina Mayoral lives in La Laguna, Mexico. Each January, the gray whales arrive in the lagoon near La Laguna and stay for three months before migrating farther north for the summer. Whale watchers, scientists, and photographers visit La Laguna from all over the world to observe and interact with the whales.

Activity

Silly Sentences Create silly sentences about unusual pets. Try to make each sentence sillier than the one before. If someone says, "If I had a pet whale, I'd walk it on a leash every day," you might say, "If I had a pet whale, I'd sleep inside its mouth underwater."



Comprehension Skill

Fact and Opinion

A **statement of fact** can be proved true or false. You can use a reference book or your own knowledge, or ask an expert, to prove it true or false. A **statement of opinion** cannot be proved true or false because it expresses a belief or a judgment.

Activity

Not Just the Facts Together, with a family member, read a short newspaper editorial. Identify sentences that are statements of fact, statements of opinion, or both. Talk about what clues made you decide to categorize the sentences the way you did.

Lesson Vocabulary

Words to Know

Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *Adelina's Whales*. Practice using these words.

Vocabulary Words

biologist a scientist who studies living things

bluff a high, steep slope or cliff

lagoon a pond or small lake, especially one connected to a larger body of water.

massive big and heavy; bulky

rumbling making a deep, heavy, continuous sound

tropical of or like the regions 23.45 degrees north and south of the equator, where the sun can shine directly overhead

Conventions

Main and Helping Verbs

The **main verb** shows the action in a sentence. The **helping verb** works with the main verb, helping to show whether the action in the sentence is in the past, present, or future. *Am, is, are, was, and were* can be helping verbs. *For example: I am talking to Mother.* "Talking" is the *main verb* and "am" is the *helping verb*.

Activity

When Is It Happening? Make a list together of several action verbs. Then see if you can write three sentences for each one of them, using a helping verb to show action happening in the past, present, and future. *For example: We were cooking dinner. We are cooking dinner. Soon we will be cooking dinner.*

Practice Tested Spelling Words

Homophones

two

break

threw

beat

to

brake

through

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there

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thrown

piece

their

bye

throne

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Name _____

Homophones

Spelling Words

two	to	too	piece	peace
break	brake	there	their	they're
threw	through	by	bye	beat
beet	thrown	throne	aloud	allowed

Word Meanings Write the list word that has the same or almost the same meaning as each word or phrase.

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1. part | 1. _____ |
| 2. stop | 2. _____ |
| 3. finished | 3. _____ |
| 4. so long | 4. _____ |
| 5. rhythm | 5. _____ |
| 6. king's chair | 6. _____ |
| 7. spoken | 7. _____ |
| 8. they are | 8. _____ |
| 9. also | 9. _____ |
| 10. belonging to them | 10. _____ |

Missing Words Write a list word to complete each sentence.

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|---|-----------|
| 11. Three is one more than ____. | 11. _____ |
| 12. The pitcher ____ the ball to first base. | 12. _____ |
| 13. I was afraid I had ____ my homework in the wastebasket. | 13. _____ |
| 14. Mom asked for some ____ and quiet. | 14. _____ |
| 15. Jon's face turns as red as a ____ when he blushes. | 15. _____ |
| 16. We aren't ____ to stay out after dark. | 16. _____ |
| 17. This book was written ____ my favorite author. | 17. _____ |
| 18. My brother is over ____ beside the car. | 18. _____ |
| 19. Sarah read her poem ____ the class. | 19. _____ |
| 20. You can take a ____ after you finish your chores. | 20. _____ |



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Word Search The ten list words in the box below are hidden in the puzzle. Circle and write each word you find. Words are down, across, and diagonal.

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

- allowed
- beet
- break
- bye
- there
- piece
- their
- thrown
- through
- beat

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Library Sign Complete the sign with list words.

To keep the (11) _____, whisper. No reading (12) _____. Only (13) _____ students per table. Remember, (14) _____ is a fine for overdue books.



Home Activity Your child has learned to read, write, and spell homophones. Say a homophone and spell it. Have your child say the other homophone in the pair and spell it.

Homophones

Proofread a Play Circle six spelling errors in the play. Write the words correctly on the lines. Find a sentence with a capitalization error and write it correctly.

Mr. Dario: A ball just went threw your window!

Mr. Chala: Did the window break?

Mr. Dario: Yes, I think a small peace cracked.

Mr. Chala: It's those neighbors playing they're game again!

Mr. Dario: I thought they weren't aloud to play by the house.

Mr. Chala: Soon Jim will be knocking on the door red as a beat.

Mr. Dario: well, children need to play too.

Mr. Chala: Yes, we were once children to.

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| 5. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 7. _____ | _____ |

Frequently Misspelled Words

too there
their they're

Proofread Words Cross out the homophone that is spelled incorrectly. Write the correct homophone.

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|---|-----------|
| 8. Everyone cheered when the new queen sat on the thrown. | 8. _____ |
| 9. Tony beet Alan in the big race. | 9. _____ |
| 10. Always break at a stop sign. | 10. _____ |
| 11. Shannon sat bye me at lunch. | 11. _____ |
| 12. The football star volunteers to read allowed to preschoolers. | 12. _____ |



Home Activity Your child identified misspelled homophones. Ask your child to explain the meaning of several homophones.