



30-MINUTE ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN -6

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You may take a printout and use this as a worksheet or read the activities and write down the answers in a notebook labelled "My Daily 30-Minute Activity".

GK quotient

April 7 is World Health Day

World Health Day marks the anniversary of the World Health Organisation (WHO), which was founded in 1948. The first World Health Assembly held in 1948 decided to observe April 7 every year as World Health Day. It provides an opportunity for WHO to draw international attention to a major global health issue. 2020's theme is 'Support nurses and midwives' and therefore, on April 7, the world celebrates the key role nurses and midwives play in ensuring a healthy population. With the COVID-19 pandemic raging across countries and continents, it is a fitting occasion to salute the selfless service of these warriors who work tirelessly to save lives. Expand the names of the following UN agencies whose logos are provided above.



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Answers: 1. Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
2. World Health Organisation

Space odyssey

Do you know me?

- I am a gas giant. You can easily identify me by the bulge near the equator and the red storm in the southern hemisphere.
- I am a rock. When I enter Earth's atmosphere, I burn up and produce a streak of light.
- I am the only dwarf planet located in the inner solar system. I am named after the Roman goddess of agriculture.



4. I am the largest moon in the solar system. I orbit Jupiter in roughly seven days.

5. I am a doughnut-shaped region of icy bodies beyond the orbit of Neptune. I am home to dwarf planets Pluto, Eris, Haumea and Makemake.

Answers: 1. Jupiter, 2. Meteoroid, 3. Ceres, 4. Ganymede and 5. Kuiper belt

Earthwatch

Match the description with the right word.

1. A sudden spurt in the growth of algae, resulting in poor water quality



– a. Carbon footprint

2. Anything that can decompose

– b. Renewable energy

3. Energy created from resources that are naturally replenished

– c. Biomass

4. Energy / fuel created from organic matter

– d. Biodegradable

5. The quantity of carbon dioxide produced by our activities

– e. Algal bloom

Answers: 1. e, 2. d, 3. b, 4. c, 5. a

Bookworms crossword

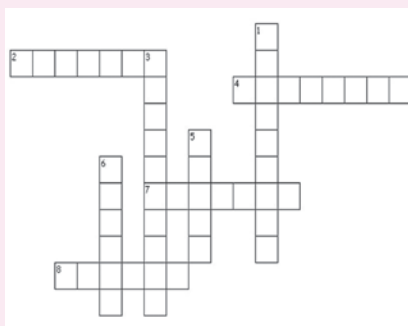
Test your knowledge of popular authors and characters from the literary world.

Across

- People lacking in any sort of magical ability.
- This mouse gets its name from an expression of exhilaration.
- This fictional south Indian town is the home of Swami and his friends.
- These sisters wrote under the pen names Currer, Ellis and Acton Bell.

Down

- He is a reluctant teenage spy who first appeared in "Stormbreaker".
- This author was the first female engineer hired by TELCO.
- This laid-back bear gives the best



advice to the man-cub, Mowgli.

6. A spirit animal from Philip Pullman's "Dark Materials" series.

Answers: Across: 2. Muggles; 4. Geronimo; 7. Malgudi; 8. Bronte. Down: 1. Alex Rider; 3. Sudha Murty; 5. Baloo; 6. Daemon

Word of the day

Individualism

The term "individualism" was coined around 1820 in France and as a socio-political philosophy initially gained credence in Europe. This philosophy or ideology emphasises the power of the individual rather than a group or the state. It became part of American ideology and society by the 19th Century. Other capitalist nations also began embracing individualism, which encouraged the people's choice, with reduced government interference. Freedom of choice resulted in the growth of people's aspirations and the desire to own more of material goods, thereby marking a shift from a minimalist to a maximalist lifestyle.

ACTIVITY: Use the word of the day in a sentence.

Heritage trail

Read the clues and guess the heritage site.

- It was once a thriving Roman city near Naples, Italy.
- It boasted a complex water system, luxurious villas and public buildings.
- It was buried under many feet of volcanic ash when Mount Vesuvius erupted in 79 AD.
- It was rediscovered in 1599 by an Italian architect, but excavation began much later.
- It is today a UNESCO heritage site and a popular tourist destination.



Answer: Pompeii

Bits & bytes

Did you know, this man, the co-founder of Apple, was fired from his own company once? He is also one of the founders of an animation studio known for the creation of movies such as The Incredibles, Toy Story, and Coco. Can you guess the name of the man and the animation studio?

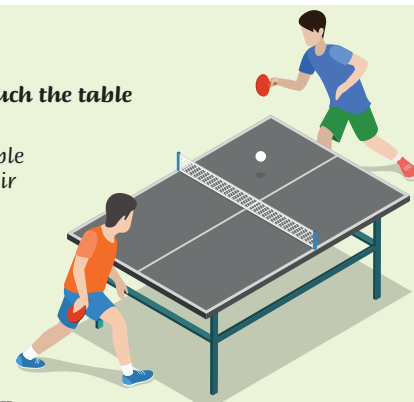


Answers: Steve Jobs and Pixar

The W Corner

Why do some table tennis players touch the table when the ball isn't in play?

Have you ever wondered why some table tennis players touch the table with their hands when the ball isn't in play? Do you think you can guess the answer? Write down in the space provided and check with the answer to see if you have got it correct.



Answer: When the ball isn't in play, there is no penalty for touching the table and hence players do it between points to try and wipe off sweat from their hands. Players are allowed to use a towel only after every six points. They use the portion near the net as that is the part of the table least used during any rally.

Journal writing

If I could have one superpower (like the superheroes) what would that be and why? (Imagine and write)

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