

6th Grade Assignment Sheet

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Communications: Book: YES NO

- * Bell work - Day 2
- * Lit. bk. Read pgs. 6-12
- * Complete wksh't 1 and 2

Social Studies: Book: YES NO

- * Essential Voc. Posttest
- * Review Civilization Info.

Mathematics: Book: YES NO

- 9-6 q. 9-23
- # 24 is extra credit

Science: Book: YES NO

- Compass & Scavenger Hunt

"The Sound of Summer Running" by Ray Bradbury

Build Vocabulary

Using the Root: *meter*

Words that contain the root *meter* have something to do with measurement. A *barometer*, for example, is an instrument that measures changes in the pressure of the atmosphere.

A. DIRECTIONS: Match each description in the left column with the correct word in the right column. Write the letter of the word on the line next to its description. Use the clues in parentheses for help.

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| <p>____ 1. an instrument that measures electric current</p> <p>____ 2. an instrument that measures the speed of the wind</p> <p>____ 3. an instrument that measures altitude</p> | <p>a. anemometer (found at a weather station)</p> <p>b. altimeter (found in an airplane)</p> <p>c. voltmeter (found in an electrician's toolbox)</p> |
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Using the Word Bank

seized	suspended	loam	barometer
alien	limber	revelation	

B. DIRECTIONS: Complete each sentence with a word from the Word Bank. Use each word only once.

1. We looked up at the model of the solar system that was _____ from the ceiling.
2. According to the _____, the air pressure had dropped only slightly since yesterday.
3. The little ferrier had never seen a horse before, and he carefully studied the _____ creature before approaching it.
4. Because I had already guessed who the criminal was, the mystery story's ending did not come as a _____ to me.
5. These warm-up exercises are designed to help _____ the muscles and prevent injuries.
6. Just in time, Frannie _____ her little brother and prevented him from running into the street.
7. We admired the rich, fertile _____ in Mrs. Green's garden.

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Build Spelling Skills: Words with ie and ei

Spelling Strategy A well-known rule states: "Use *i* before *e* except after *c* or when sounded as 'ay,' as in *neighbor* and *weigh*."

Examples of words that follow this rule include *believe*, *receive*, and *freight*. In *believe*, *i* comes before *e*. In *receive*, *e* comes before *i* because the two letters appear "after *c*." In *weigh*, *e* comes before *i* because the word is "sounded as 'ay.'"

Exceptions: The words *seized*, *either*, *leisure*, *weird*, *height*, and *protein* are exceptions to this rule. In all these words *e* comes before *i*, even though the letters do not follow *c* and are not sounded as "ay."

A. Practice: Choose the correctly spelled word to complete each sentence. Write the word on the line. Hint: The words below follow the *i*-before-*e* rule unless they are noted in the list of exceptions. You can use a dictionary to check your spellings.

1. We were invited to go camping, and we (siezed, seized) _____ the opportunity to enjoy the fresh mountain air.
2. I (recieved, received) _____ the package of supplies that you sent.
3. My (nieghbors, neighbors) _____, the Robinsons, enjoy birdwatching.
4. They go on field trips whenever they have some (liesure, leisure) _____ time.
5. This (peice, piece) _____ of cake is delicious.
6. I (believe, beleive) _____ that it is made with coconut.
7. The (frieght, freight) _____ company needs you to fill out this form.
8. Do you know the width, (hieght, height) _____, and (wieght, weight) _____ of the package?

B. Practice: Complete the paragraph by choosing the appropriate words from the box and writing them on the lines. Use each word once.

seized	perceive	conceives	believe
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In "The Sound of Summer Running," Douglas _____ of a clever way to get a pair of Royal Crown Cream-Sponge Para Litefoot Tennis Shoes even though he doesn't have quite enough money to pay for them. He offers to run errands for Mr. Sanderson, the store owner, in order to make up for the dollar that he would owe for the shoes. First, however, Douglas must convince Mr. Sanderson to _____ in him and his plan. To do so, Douglas persuades Mr. Sanderson to try on a pair of the sneakers himself. With the help of Douglas's amazingly vivid descriptions, the middle-aged man is able to _____ the special qualities of the shoes and the reasons the boy wants them so badly. In fact, for a few moments, he is _____ with memories of what it is like to be Douglas's age and put on a brand new pair of sneakers.