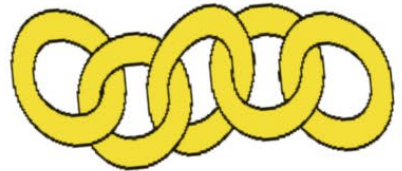


CONNECTIONS

task cards

Making Connections



12. Making Connections
The equinox is a special day when day and night are almost the same length. There are two equinoxes every year – one in the fall. The spring equinox happens in March, and the summer. During the spring equinox, the days get shorter and cooler, which means people celebrate the equinoxes by having the changing seasons.

Answer Sheet

Name: _____ Date: _____

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18. Making Connections
In spring, the temperature rises, and daylight hours grow longer. Some areas get rainy weather. These changes result in many signs of spring. Many flowers like daffodils and crocuses bloom in early spring. Butterflies and other animals return from hibernation in spring.

1. Making Connections

Labor Day is the first Monday in September. It is a special day to honor workers. The holiday began over 100 years ago. Back then, people celebrated with parades. They focused on the rights and importance of workers. Today, people still observe Labor Day. It has come to take on new meaning. Many see the holiday as the end of summer. They celebrate with picnics and back-to-school sales.

How is Labor Day different now than in the past?
a. It is celebrated in September.

25. Making Connections

- Follow these tips to stay safe in cyberspace.
1. Protect your privacy. Keep your name, age, and address private. Check with your parents before signing up for anything online.
 2. Stay away from strangers. Don't communicate with strangers, and never agree to meet anyone online.
 3. Say "no" to bullying. Don't respond or sharing. And don't post hurtful comments or jokes.

How are the ideas different?
a. They explain how to stay safe.
b. They list the steps to follow.
c. They tell steps in order.

2nd & 3rd Grade



Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, “scoot!” when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seat.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks, then take turns pulling blocks. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole class practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini white boards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.

1.

Making Connections

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How is Labor Day different now than in the past?

- It is celebrated in September.
- It honors workers.
- It is seen as the end of summer.
- It is a day to go to work.

2.

Making Connections

The Great Chicago Fire happened in 1871. It began in the O'Leary family's barn where a cow may have kicked over a lantern. Many factors caused the fire to spread quickly. Strong winds blew the fire to fields nearby, which were dry from a lack of rain. Firefighters were tired from working the night before, and their equipment was damaged. The city was crowded and had many buildings made of wood. Because of these factors, the fire burned for three days. It destroyed miles of the city.

What was one effect of crowded wooden buildings in Chicago?

- The fire was able to spread quickly.
- A cow may have kicked over a lantern.
- People didn't have bricks to build with.
- Firefighters had damaged equipment.

3.

Making Connections

Thurgood Marshall was an important person in American history. He was a lawyer who helped fight for civil rights for all people. Marshall even argued a case in front of the Supreme Court. That's the highest court in America. He won that case and it helped to end segregation in schools. Later, Marshall became the first African American to serve on the Supreme Court. He helped make sure that everyone in America was treated fairly and had equal rights.

What did Thurgood Marshall winning the Supreme Court case help do?

- It helped start a new school year.
- It helped create a new holiday.
- It helped an African American serve on the Supreme Court.
- It helped end segregation in schools.

4.

Making Connections

Uncle Sam is a symbol of the United States that has been around for a long time. He is shown as an older man with white hair and a beard. His top hat and suit are red, white, and blue. The name Uncle Sam is thought to have come from a man named Samuel Wilson. Wilson lived during the Revolutionary War. He was a meat packer who sent the army meat in barrels. The barrels were stamped with the letters "U.S." to show that they belonged to the United States. Soldiers joked that the "U.S." stood for "Uncle Sam" Wilson. Over time, the character of Uncle Sam started being used as a symbol of the U.S.

Who started the joke that the "U.S." on the barrels stood for "Uncle Sam"?

- the meat packers
- the soldiers
- the citizens of the U.S.
- the U.S. government

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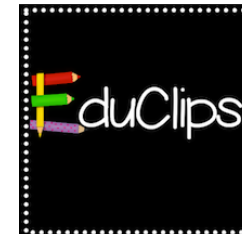
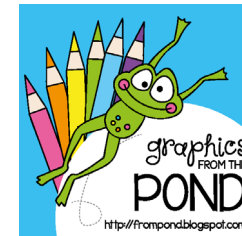


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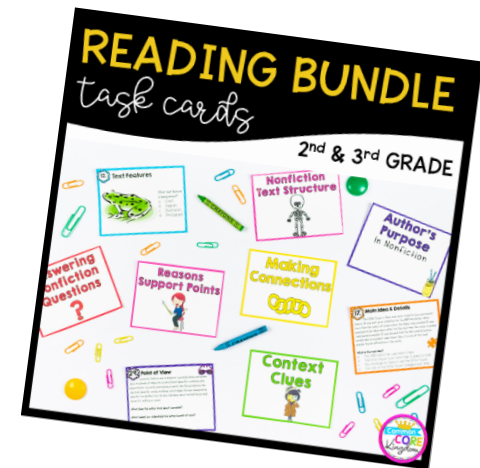
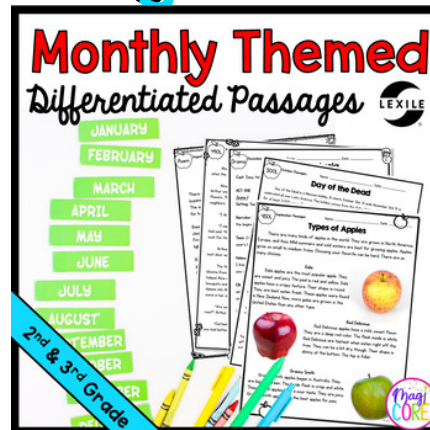



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