

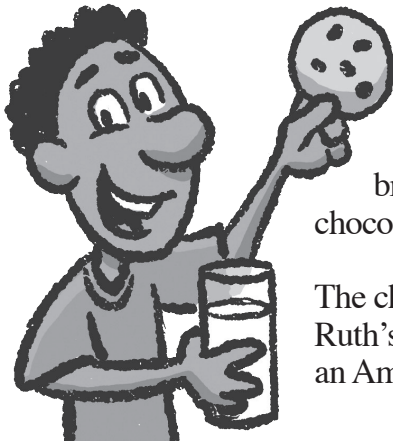


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WHOOOPS! Inventions By Mistake

Some of the world's favorite inventions happened by accident.

The First Chocolate Chip Cookies

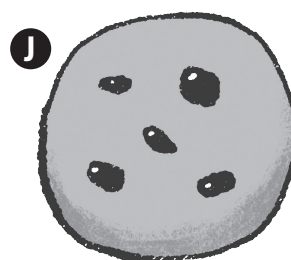
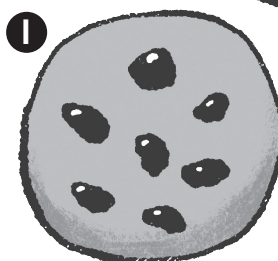
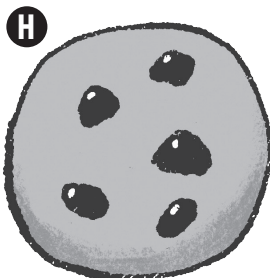
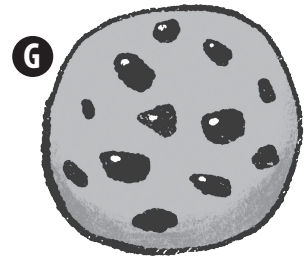
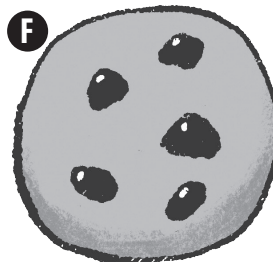
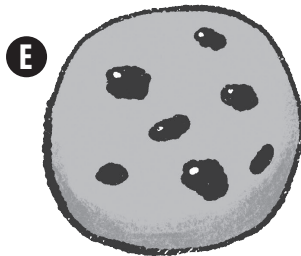
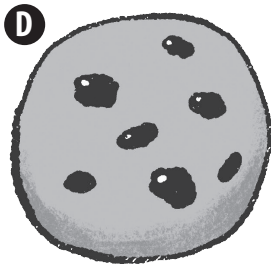
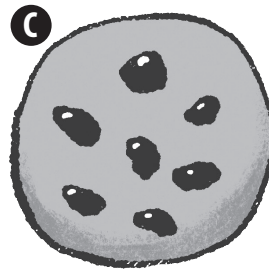
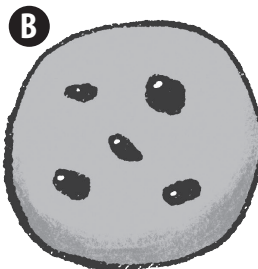
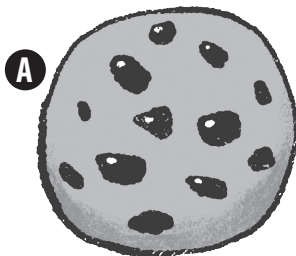


Hotel owner Ruth Wakefield was trying to create a new treat for guests of the Toll House Inn.

She made a buttery cookie dough. Before baking, she added some broken bits of chocolate bar to each cookie. Ruth had expected the chocolate to melt and mix with the cookie dough.

The chocolate bits softened, but they didn't melt into the dough during baking. Ruth's guests loved them, and the Toll House chocolate chip cookie has been an American favorite ever since.

Can you find each cookie's exact twin?





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Big Fun! Big Dough!

In the early 1900s, wallpaper in homes used to get very dirty from the heating and cooking appliances. Kutol Products sold a special, soft dough that was used to clean the soot off wallpaper, and it was very popular.

But when newer, cleaner appliances arrived in the 1950s, wallpaper soot was not a big problem anymore.

The company owner's sister-in-law was a teacher named Kay Zufall. She discovered that the dough was safe and fun for her students to mold into creative shapes of all kinds. She even gave it a name: **Play-Doh[®]**.



Circle every other letter to discover how many cans of Play-Doh[®] have been sold since 1956.

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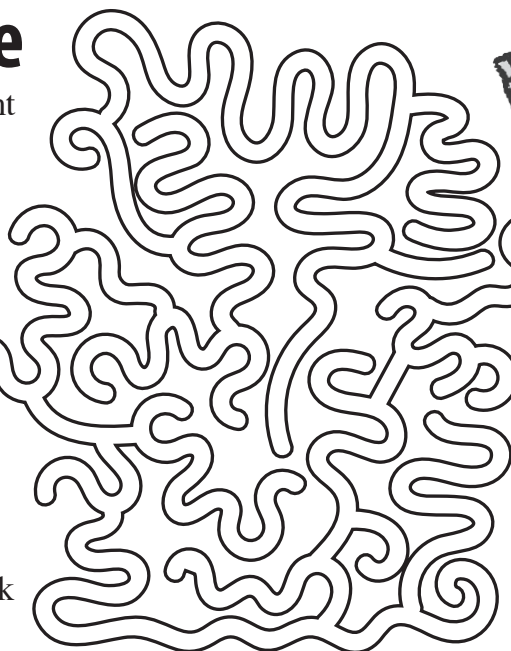
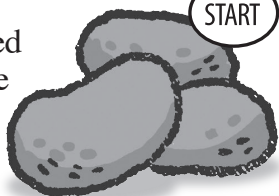
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Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written instructions.

Potato Chip Surprise

In 1853, an angry customer at a restaurant complained that his fried potatoes were too thick and soggy. Cook George Crum was annoyed by this complaint. He decided to slice the potatoes as thin as possible, fried them until they were crisp, and added a lot of salt.

The customer loved them! Soon people were coming to the restaurant for these crispy, salty potatoes. And that's how a meal sent back to the kitchen helped create potato chips!



Is the story true?

While George Crum is often remembered as the inventor of the potato chip, other cooks before that time made thin-sliced fried potatoes, too.

History can be tricky!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written instructions.



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Kid Scoop Together

Sticky Subject

Number the sticky notes in order. Then, read the story of the invention of Post-it[®] Notes to your family.

he accidentally created a glue that stuck lightly to surfaces and book pages. It could be easily removed without leaving

employee in 1974 and began testing the glue to make bookmarks. In 1980, the first Post-it[®] Notes arrived in stores and were an

Spencer Silver was a chemist at the 3M Company in 1968. He was trying to create a super-strong glue when

instant success with office workers everywhere.

the surface sticky.

For years, Silver couldn't find a good use for this unusual glue. He teamed up with another 3M

Great Inventions

Look through the newspaper for inventions you often use, such as computers, cars and refrigerators. Make a list of ways your life would be different without each of these inventions.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Write opinions supported by facts.

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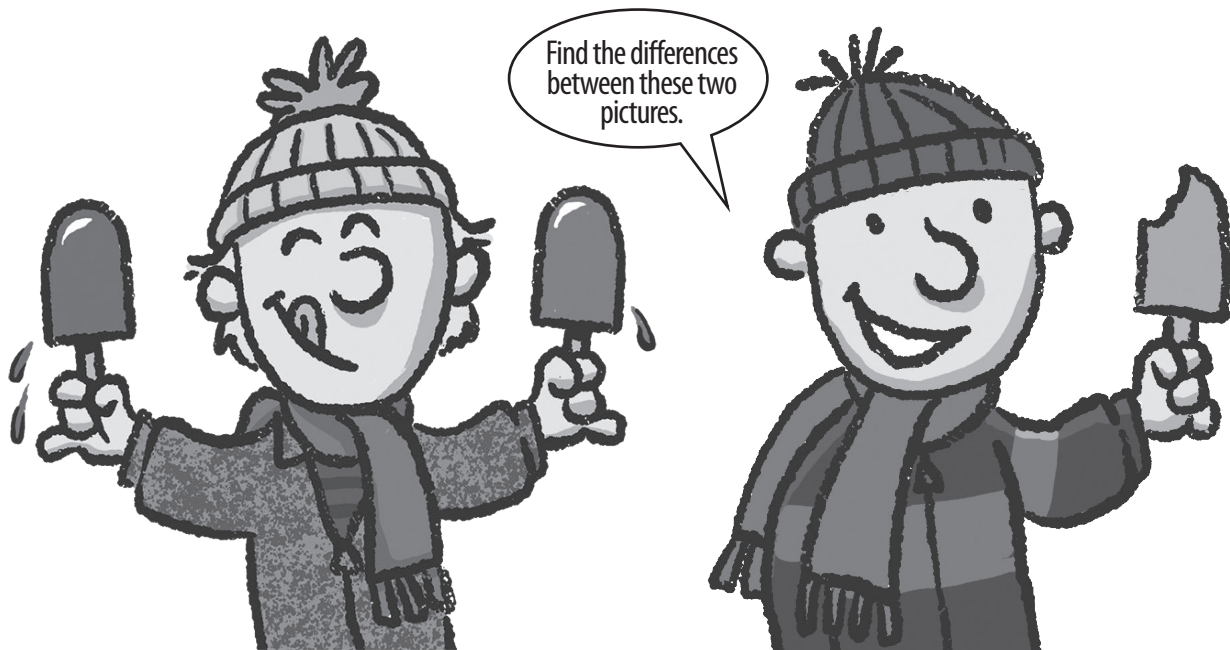
Puzzler



Cool Kid Invents the Popsicle®

Frank Epperson accidentally invented the Popsicle® in 1905 at the age of 11. He left a cup of powdered soda and water with a stirring stick in it outside overnight. The soda froze.

In the morning, Frank pulled the frozen soda out of the cup using the wooden stick. It was delicious, and Frank started his business selling these frozen treats in 1924.



VOCABULARY BUILDERS

INVENTION

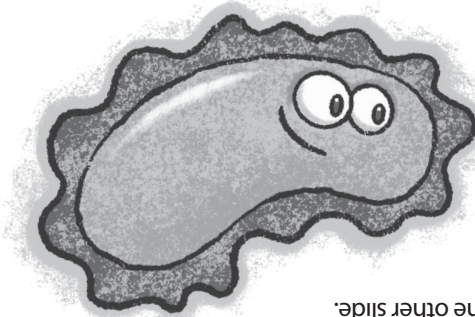
The noun **invention** means something new that a person makes or thinks up to solve a problem.

The airplane is an **invention** that helps us travel far away.

Try to use the word **invention** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.



Why did the germ cross the microscope?



ANSWER: To get to the other slide.



My Invention

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.



Look through the newspaper for a product that makes lives easier. What problem does it solve? Write a sentence telling what the problem was before the invention solved it.

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Kid Scoop Jumbo Word Search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.
Then see how many of these words you can find in today's newspaper.

BITS

BOOK

CHIPS

CLEAN

CUP

DOUGH

FROZEN

FUN

GLUE

HISTORY

MOLD

SAFE

SALTY

SOFT

THIN

TIME

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

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words.
Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.



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Answers

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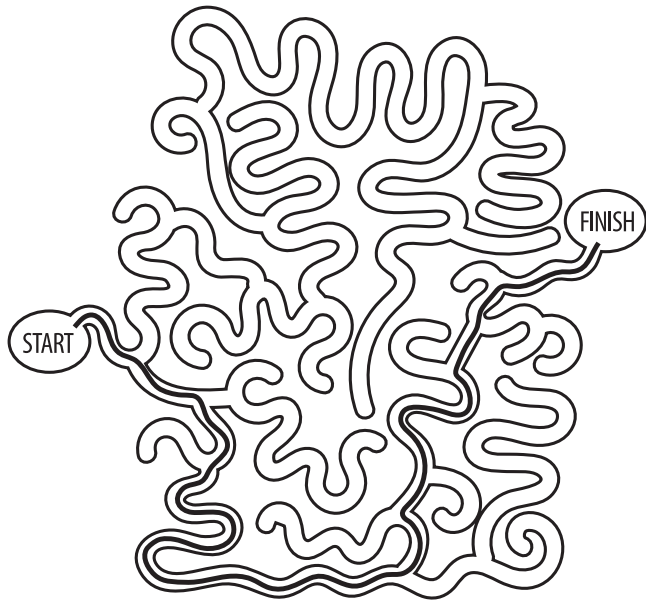
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A = G
B = J
C = I
D = E
F = H

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Over three billion cans



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