

SCORE! FOR READING!



VOCABULARY

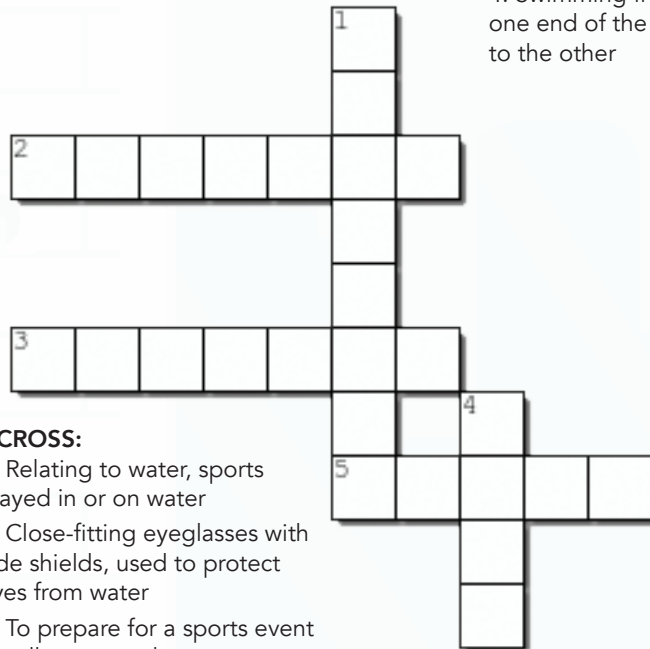
- **AQUATIC** relating to water, sports played in or on water
- **GOGGLES** close-fitting eyeglasses with side shields, used to protect eyes from water
- **LAPS** swimming from one end of the pool to the other
- **SWIM MEET** a swimming competition between two or more teams
- **TRAIN** to prepare for a sports event or tell someone how to prepare for it, especially by exercising

CROSSWORD

USE THE VOCABULARY WORDS TO FILL IN THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

DOWN:

1. A swimming competition between two or more teams
4. Swimming from one end of the pool to the other



ACROSS:

2. Relating to water, sports played in or on water
3. Close-fitting eyeglasses with side shields, used to protect eyes from water
5. To prepare for a sports event or tell someone how to prepare for it, especially by exercising

READING LIST

- *Leo Can Swim* by Anna McQuinn
- *Jabari Jumps* by Gaia Cornwall
- *Mermaid Queen: The Spectacular True Story Of Annette Kellerman, Who Swam Her Way To Fame, Fortune & Swimsuit History!* by Shana Corey



SWIMMING

SEPTEMBER–MARCH

SYLLABLE SWOOSH

DRAW AN ARROW MATCHING THE WORD TO THE CORRESPONDING SYLLABLE COUNT BASKET.



ALLEY-OOP



ASSIST



COURT



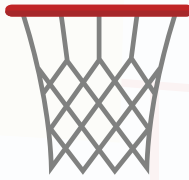
DUNK



SCOREBOARD



1 SYLLABLE



2-3 SYLLABLES

READING LIST

- *Pass the Ball, Mo!* by David Adler
- *Salt in His Shoes: Michael Jordan in Pursuit of a Dream* by Deloris Jordan
- *Hoop Genius: How a Desperate Teacher and a Rowdy Gym Class Invented Basketball* by John Coy

VOCABULARY

- **ALLEY-OOP** a high pass caught by a leaping teammate who tries to dunk the ball before landing
- **ASSIST** an action (such as passing a ball) that helps a teammate to score
- **COURT** a playing surface, consisting of a rectangular floor, with baskets at each end
- **DUNK** a shot that is made by jumping high in the air and pushing the ball down through the basket
- **FREE THROW** a basketball shot worth one point that must be made from behind a special line and that is given because of a foul by an opponent
- **SCOREBOARD** a large board for publicly displaying the score in a game



BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER – APRIL

VOCABULARY

- **BUNT** to hit a baseball lightly with the bat so that the ball rolls only for a short distance
- **CURVEBALL** a pitch that is thrown with spin so that the ball curves in the air
- **FOUL BALL** a ball struck so that it falls, or will fall, outside the lines extending from home plate past first and third bases
- **HOMERUN** a hit that allows the batter to go around all the bases and score a run
- **STRIKE** a pitch that passes through a certain area over home plate without being hit and that counts against the batter

BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL

FEBRUARY – JUNE

TEAM COLORS

DESIGN YOUR OWN JERSEY!
FILL IN THE UNIFORM WITH YOUR FAVORITE COLORS.



READING LIST

- *Pete the Cat: Play Ball* by James Dean
- *Anybody's Game: Kathryn Johnston, the First Girl to Play Little League Baseball* by Heather Lang
- *H is for Home Run: A Baseball Alphabet* by Brad Herzog



VOCABULARY

- **DISCUS** a heavy flat round object that people throw as far as they can as a sport
- **HEPTATHLON** an athletic contest that consists of seven running, jumping, and throwing events
- **HURDLE** one of a series of barriers to be jumped over in a race
- **JAVELIN** a long spear that people throw as far as they can as a sport
- **SPRINTING** the competitive athletic sport of running distances of 400 meters or less

MATCH-UP

FILL IN THE BLANKS BY MATCHING THE PICTURES TO THEIR VOCABULARY WORDS.



READING LIST

- *Marathon Mouse* by Amy Dixon
- *The Quickest Kid in Clarksville* by Pat Zietlow Miller
- *Girl Running: Bobbi Gibb and the Boston Marathon* by Anette Bay Pimentel



TRACK & FIELD

MARCH-JUNE

SOCCER

AUGUST – NOVEMBER

WORD SEARCH

COMPLETE THE WORD SEARCH BELOW.

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

CLEATS
KEEPER

CORNERKICK
JUGGLING

GOALIE
PITCH

VOCABULARY

- **CLEATS** athletic shoes with projecting pieces of metal, rubber, or other material on the sole
- **CORNER KICK** a free kick from the corner of the field near the opponent's goal
- **GOALIE/KEEPER** a player in soccer whose special role is to stop the ball from entering the goal
- **JUGGLING** a skill that requires keeping the ball in the air for as long as possible
- **PITCH** the playing surface for the game of soccer, also known as a soccer field



READING LIST

- *Pele, King of Soccer* by Monica Brown
- *The Field* by Baptiste Paul
- *Maria Finds Courage* by Tony & Lauren Dungy

VOCABULARY

- **FALSE START** a penalty in which an offensive player moves after he has taken a set position and before the ball is snapped
- **RECEPTION** part of a play in which a forward pass from behind the line of scrimmage is caught by a player
- **SCRIMMAGE** an informal game that is played for practice
- **TACKLE** an attempt to stop an opponent who has the ball by forcing them to the ground
- **TOUCHDOWN** a six-point score in football, scored when a player carries the ball into the opponent's end zone

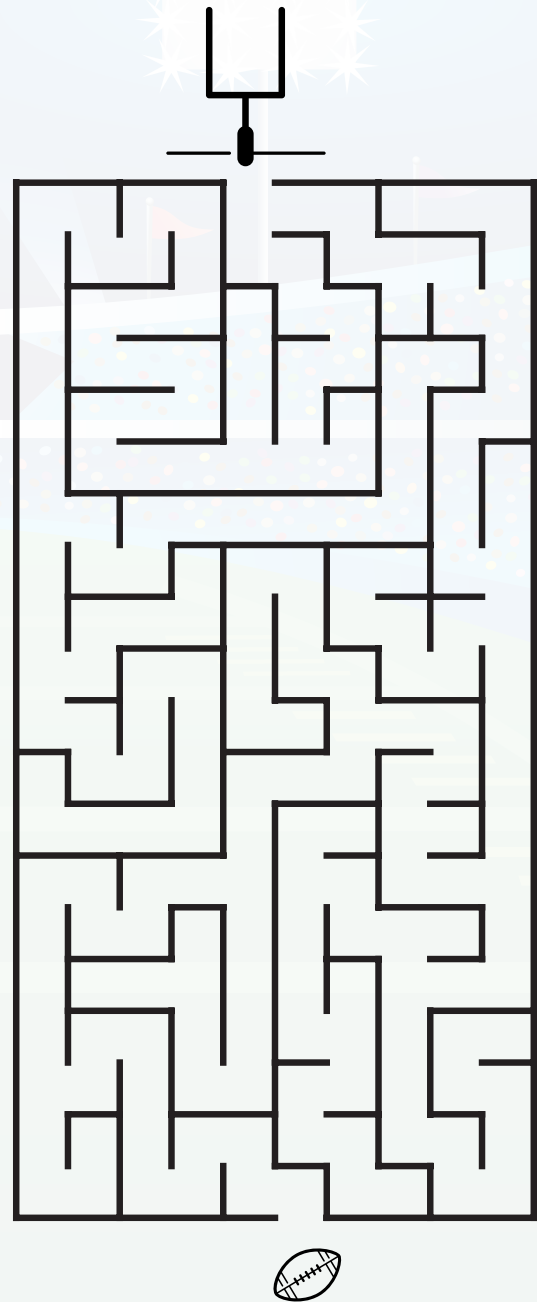


FOOTBALL

SEPTEMBER–JANUARY

GOAL POST MAZE

DRAW A LINE THROUGH THE MAZE TO GET THE FOOTBALL THROUGH THE GOAL POST.



READING LIST

- *Good Night Football* by Michael Dahl
- *Family Huddle* by Peyton, Eli, & Archie Manning
- *Dino-Football* by Lisa Wheeler

PLAYING FIELD

USE THIS AS A CREATIVE SPACE FOR DRAWING,
WRITING, OR ATHLETE AUTOGRAPHS!

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