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School: _____ Class: _____

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The Chairs

Jeffrey lived with his mom, dad, and little brother on a quiet dead-end street in the suburbs. On weekends, Jeffrey and his little brother often played baseball out in the street. They'd shout and make a lot

in
no
of

 noise hitting the ball with a

lost
metal
soft

 bat. Sometimes the ball got out

at
of
some

 control and flew into another family's

dog
swing
yard

. Jeffrey would run to get it

back
down
over

 and toss it to his brother.

Nobody
They
What

 minded that Jeffrey and his brother

made
ran
slid

 a racket playing baseball or that Jeffrey

cooked
dashed
smiled

 across their fresh, green, well-watered lawns

no
to
when

 retrieve his baseball, nobody

Keep going ►

except for **all** neighbor who lived across the street. **Also**
hot Many
one This

neighbor was named Mr. Chang. Once, **at** Jeffrey ran into
the
when

his yard to **cook** his baseball, Mr. Chang came out **and** made
get or
wash the

a cranky face. That was **also** only time Jeffrey really saw him.
small
the

Mr. Chang **below** sat in his yard. But one **day**, Jeffrey
less slide
never table

saw two new chairs in Mr. Chang's **car**
pool
yard

One chair was blue, and the **bike** was red. Mr. Chang
ladder
other

always had **a** sour look on his face. It **ate** hard to think of him
of sat
to was

sitting **in** such cheerful looking chairs.
no
to

Later that **boring** day, Jeffrey saw two more chairs
red
same

on Mr. Chang's lawn! They were yellow **and** green. The
to if
with only

Keep going ►

row of chairs pointed below
next
right at Jeffrey's house.

"Creepy," said Jeffrey. "It's
What's
Who's like he's spying on
us," said his
me
uncle mom.

The next morning, two more chairs
glasses
toys were there: pink
and orange! They all
dogs
upper faced Jeffrey's front door.

"I don't like
make
run those empty chairs," Jeffrey's mom said
after
because
from dinner. "They're harmless," Jeffrey's dad replied.

Just
Much
Now then the doorbell rang. Jeffrey answered also
many
the
door with his dad.

A woman games
they
who did not know stood there. She fled
ran
said

Keep going ►

Mr. Chang was her father. She **blew
said
walked**, “Dad got new chairs to
watch **and
the
until** shooting stars tomorrow night. He would **like
run
slow** you
to join us to watch **cat
her
them**.”

Jeffrey and his dad looked at **each
self
them** other. His dad
smiled and said, “**All
How
Which** kind! Jeffrey loves looking at the
**night
star
wave** sky.”

Jeffrey smiled. Yes! He had **almost
because
yearly** forgotten about
the upcoming meteor shower. He said, “Thanks. We’ll be there!”



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The Airplane

The two children had never been on an airplane before. Roy was very nervous. As they waited at the gate to board their plane, he thought that his
she sister seemed a little nervous, too.
them

At asked Jane if she was worried or afraid. She cracked
He
Us her gum and did “No, silly. Why should I be? Eating
made Flying is the
said Hiding
safest way to travel.”

As they waited for the airplane to lie off, Jane chewed
For
With and popped her ball
car . Roy’s throat felt tight. He began by
gum if
to
sweat.

Roy’s mother reached over from him aisle seat. She patted
the
what

Keep going ►

his arm. “Basketball’s
Everything’s
Pineapple’s fine,” she said.

Now the airplane began
paid
sent to move. Roy gazed out the

doctor
music
window at the grassy field beside the boat
movie
runway .

The engines roared. As the airplane found
saw
went faster and faster,
the field suddenly looked
rained
turned into a green blur.

Then Roy did
let
was pressed back in his seat as and
the
who airplane
picked up even more speed. Meow
Sorry
Wow !

The cabin tilted upward. Roy saw and
of
that they were not on the
ground anymore
inside
without . They were rising fast above the earth
hand
pizza .

“Mom! Look!” he cried. He couldn’t blow
cut
stop looking as the

Keep going ►

fields became smaller and
but smaller. He saw a distant winding
breeze
river
sound and some small lakes shining in few
one sunlight.
the

Then they flew into a cloud
grass
mouse. Everything outside the
airplane turned white.

After
Every
Next a few minutes, the jet flew into
out of the cloud. Roy
until
was now inviting
looking at a sea of clouds from above
saying near
since.

The clouds billowed up pure white, drinking
making all sorts of
seeing
strange shapes like bag
snow castles. The sky was bright blue.
tree

Roy's drums
ears felt clogged. He was having trouble crying
laces dancing
hearing
anything.

Keep going ►

He turned to Jane and **jumped**
pointed at his ears. She took a **leg**
soaked **moon**
of gum out of her pocket, **imagined**
stretched it from the foil, and gave
unwrapped
any
but to him.
it

She said something, but **as**
he couldn't hear it. She pointed to
we
her
like mouth and popped a bubble silently.
nose

“Oh,” Roy **flew**
said . His own voice sounded small and **far**
went **heavy**
long
away. But he understood now what Jane **knew**
put telling him.
was

He put the gum **in**
the his mouth and chewed it. After **he'd**
up **I'll**
he'd
I'll
it's
chewed a few times, his ears **heard**
popped . He could hear everything
tore
in the cabin again, loud and crystal clear.



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The Starry Sky

Irena's sister had gotten married that day. It was night now.

The wedding reception was still going in
on
up. It had turned into a
loud dance
loose
wood party.

Irena danced with her father it
on
to the loud music. Her father
danced by
for
in a fast and silly way that gave
made
went her laugh. He jumped
up and along
down
near and punched at the air with his
our
them fists. Irena got
tired after a break
lesson
while. Then she went back to the cloud
sink
table where her
mother was sitting. She came
took
was hot and sweaty. Her mother picked
back
to
up a napkin and fanned her face out
than
with it.

Irena yawned. She was so excited
hungry
sleepy that she forgot to cover

Keep going ►

the car
tent
yawn with her hand. Her mother just drove
held
said, “Why don’t
you go get some air
car
day ? It’s so much cooler outside.”

So Irena brushed
cried
walked out of the hotel onto the house
lawn
taxi. It was
night, and crickets were entering
painting
singing. She could see stars, and even
but
for
the Milky Way. And she could hear flies
shirts
waves crashing on the
beach across the grape
hand
street from the hotel. She sat down if
on
to the
grass.

A few minutes later, Irena’s dress
father
phone came out to find her. He
called
sliced
thought her name as he crossed the bill
lawn
pool. At first, she did not
even hear
step
think him.

The night sky, full of both
down
no brilliant and dim stars, amazed

Keep going ►

her as that who if she'd never looked at it away before outside . It was so big and
so difficult expensive mysterious ! You could not see all of he it one at once.

As Irena sat there as down on the lawn gazing straight up, her
animal father purse sat down beside her and stroked for her its hair.

“Aren’t you sleepy, Mouse?” he asked joined wished .

She turned her head to see him they us . She could see his face a
little small total by the light of the stars. He If No was smiling.

“You see,” he said. “All Next What that cloudy stuff, that’s billions
of birds eyes stars like our sun. It’s a whole different necessary tasteless arm of the spiral
galaxy we’re in up yet . This galaxy is at least two hundred thousand

Keep going ►

apple
light
snow

years across. That means it takes two hundred thousand

balls
candles
years

for light to get from one

box
end
name

to the other!"

"I know," Irena

gave
lost
said

with a laugh. "I learned it

all
ever
top

in

school."

"It's amazing, though, isn't

he
it
to

?"

"Yes. Amazing," Irena said.

Then they were both quiet, looking up.



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Shadow Play

Do you know all the things your shadow can do? There are quite a few of them.

You can use your hands to buy
make strange shadows on a wall.
walk

Have a
it friend shine a flashlight and move our
to they fingers and
your

thumbs in different ways for
of see what happens. Maybe you can
to

cut
make a shadow that looks like a dog
talk love, or a cat, or even a
year

dragon
light
water .

You can play games with your couch
flower when you are
shadow

outside the house, any
too . Of course, it will have to be
well do a sunny
go

day for this to dry
eat . You will not be able to ask
work come your shadow
find

Keep going ►

if it is raining.

A But To play with your own shadow you are very will have to find it first. But dirt eye you won't have to look far. It is says wins usually right at your feet. But has is may it in front, behind, or to calm no one side of you? That all depends like on this where the light is coming from.

Mornings Pictures Windows and late afternoons are the best bags spoons times to play with shadows. Shadows are closed longer upper then. Empty backyards or school playgrounds are come drive often a good place to find home wet your shadow. Try it! Then move around and no well watch how your shadow moves.

Once cars dogs you have found your shadow, try to bite dream jump on it.

Keep going ►

Can you do it? As
Or does the shadow keep moving away from
Yes just soon as
you jump?

Try to chase his
the own shadow. Or run away while dad
your it shop
chases you. Try to dance with cat
it. Try to stand still and freeze
song
bus shadow. Try holding up sticks or branches
ice rivers to make your
your schools
shadow look strange.

Any is even more fun to play down
Band ever shadows if there is
It with
more than good person playing. Stand still and ask a
one so friend
warm to
to trace your shadow with a piece of chalk. Then do the ahead
if each
or same
with your friend's shadow.

Try playing label
music tag. In this game, you run fast
shadow high after
still

Keep going ►

your friends and try to **act
push
step** on their shadows before they can

**get
plan
sing** away. The one whose shadow gets **amazed
called
stepped** on is “it.”

This game can **be
have
use** played with many friends at once.

**A
For
It** long time ago, people found that **even
they
what** could create

stories by casting shadows **away
due
on** a wall. They used pieces of

**hair
iron
paper** cut to look like animals and **people
smoke
view**. They placed a fire

behind the **cloud
paper
wallet** figures to cast shadows. Then they **hurt
made
went** the

shadows talk and have adventures. **It
Log
She** was like going to the

movies. You can do all kinds of fun things with shadows.



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The Dishwasher

I used to babysit my little brother after school. One day, Mom called home from work. She asked me to start the basketball
dishwasher
mountain.

She had put dishes in the blueberry
classroom
dishwasher that morning but forgot to

start all
it
no. She suddenly remembered at work. That cut
had
was why she

called me. She wanted if
or
to have clean dishes when she got

cup
home
office.

I said that I would start ever
if
the dishwasher right away. So I

went into
next
some the kitchen and put in some detergent
factory
notebook. Then I

pushed the “on” button any
but
to start it.

I went back to many
the
your living room to finish my homework.

Keep going ►

He I The knew my mother liked it when I to had all my homework done before dinner house plate time. I could not relax until I at so had done it.

Soon my little brother flower winter got hungry. He went for a clock horse snack . He often got himself a snack and down in the afternoons. He got it by bucket himself window so that I could concentrate on my so to homework. I heard

him scream, "Katie!"

A I Now sighed. I put down my pencil and for that went to check on him. He gave lied was standing in the hall. His mouth hid lost was open.

His eyes were wide. I added looked opened . I saw the kitchen floor covered but in on white bubbles. More bubbles were coming also by out of the sides and bottom of him so the dishwasher.

Keep going ►

I knew what had happened. **As I To** put hand soap into the dishwasher **almost instead within** of the dishwashing detergent. This was **a of so** big mistake. My mother would be **little round upset** at seeing the kitchen full of **bread gum soap** bubbles.

My little brother and I **found grew swam** towels. We spent the next few **hours meals shoes** cleaning up the bubbles from the **basket kitchen ocean** floor. We used every towel in **bit the very** house. It took us two hours **on to with** clean up the mess. We just **barely daily loudly** finished in time.

At five thirty **at both in** the afternoon, Mom got home from **hat time work**. The bubbles were all gone.

We **kept sent went** our secret. After dinner, we went **apart empty into** the

Keep going ►

living room to watch TV.

Both
Half
Many

an hour later Mom loudly called

else
out
yet

, “Kids! Get in here!”

We forgot

and
from
to

clean the soap from inside the

computer
dishwasher
pineapple

. When Mom ran it after dinner, the bubbles started
all over again.



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Tin

One day, as I was walking down the street, I saw an empty tin can. I kicked the can so hard it hit a tree. I liked the sound it made.

Above
Such
When I got to school, I asked if
my she teacher what tin is. He
said more
so that tin is a metal. I asked him
often where it comes from. He
said ever
that very tin is found in other rocks. As
It Not has to be dug out of
all
it the ground.

Tin miners dig deep pits also
by into the earth. As the pits get
deeper
smaller and deeper, the miners climb down into
younger next
often them using
ropes or ladders.

Keep going ►

Once for
so rocks are out of the ground, our
the they have to be
what

melted to get by
it tin out. It all sounds hard! But
the From tin has so
More

many uses that buses
people think the hard work is worth it
ropes to. Tin is
up

used in devices like dogs
phones and computers. It is also used as
trees for
or

making signs. It was once used by
for making tinfoil to wrap up
off

food in
near, but now aluminum is used for her
to none
that.

Tin isn't the only metal found about
back rocks. Gold, for
inside

example, is also broken
found inside rocks. That was what my
said

border
sense went on to say.
teacher

I asked, " Are
Can there any metals that aren't found any
Do in
or

rocks?"

Keep going ►

That's when he told me **about**
often bronze. Bronze is a metal
until
that **cables**
gloves just made up! I shook my **feet**
head in amazement.
trick

He said that bronze **is**
puts made by mixing melted tin with
will
melted copper. People discovered this metal in **ancient**
pleased **empty** times
washed
and they put it to **all** kinds of different uses. Some of **and**
how **over**
last **the**
things people made with bronze back **for**
then – like bowls and
when
daggers – can be **found**
gone in museums.
told

Then I thought about **I**
of can I had kicked. If tin **dug**
the **found** so
was
hard to get, I asked, “**If**
Not do we make cans out of **all**
Why **it** ?”
yet

That was when he told me **along**
that tin cans are not made of
with
day ! They are steel covered with a **calm**
milk **thin** layer of tin. But
tin **warm**

Keep going ►

both tin

and
but
out

 steel can be recycled. So, next time I see a tin can
on the street, I am going to pick it up instead of kicking it!



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Staying with Grams and Pappy

When my mom went on a trip to Alaska, I stayed with her parents. Grams and Pappy lived in the hills of New York state.

Both had retired and had lots of

hand
time
year

 for me.

I always enjoyed being

around
because
from

 them. Pappy was funny,

and Grams

ate
gave
looked

 the best gifts and hugs. Both

came
told
were

 stories

about my mother when she

did
had
was

 my age that made me laugh.

Cabin
More
They

 had always made many trips to

carve
talk
visit

 us in the city, but this

had
made
would

 be my first visit to their

car
dance
house

. I'd only ever seen it in

movies
pictures
stories

, and it looked like a cabin

built
seen
threw

 out

Keep going ►

of toy logs. When I **found
got
kept** there, I was surprised at how **angry
loose
small**
the house was. The rooms were **blue
so
yet** small. And everything
smelled like pine.

**A
On
The** very first day, Grams said we **itch
should
went** all take a nice
hike together. **A
I
So** said I didn't know how to **drive
hike
run**. It sounded
like a lot of **stuff
visit
work**.

"It's easy," Grams said. "You move one **book
cake
foot**, then you
move your other foot **in
on
top** front of that one."

She handed **feet
me
sea** a box. "Now, lace up your **clear
loud
new** hiking
boots."

Keep going ►

I looked at the **box
dog
pot**, frowning. “Why can’t I just wear **ice
my
to**
sneakers?”

Grams shook her head. She **explained
totaled
wished** that sneakers don’t
support your ankles **doctor
enough
oversize**. And boots grip the ground better.
**A
I
The** shrugged and went ahead and put **gum
music
them** on.

Grams and Pappy each wore **a
or
up** backpack on their
shoulders. Their packs **held
lost
used** our snacks and water. We each
**came
said
wore** a whistle on a shoelace around **ankle
our
to** necks. Grams
said to use the **cabin
river
whistle** if we lost sight of one **another
cabin
sneaker**. I raised
my eyebrows but didn’t **go
run
say** anything to that.

Keep going ►

I thought I'd be
find scared or maybe bored just walking
have
around
toward . But we saw some amazing things. Hearing
Letter was a
There
great view from a happy
rocky ledge. Birds and butterflies dancing
sleepy
beside a
for stream. It was like being in a
by nature show.
to

Once, I spotted a beep
face in a tree stump. It had knotholes
time
for
hot eyes, a bump for the cold
nose , and a scrape in the bark dirt
in for
sit
a mouth. Some moss growing on from
soft top of the stump hung
the
like fence
hair . When I pointed it out, Grams and
wind by Pappy clapped
this
their hands and laughed.

A
I learned a lot that day. Hiking did
The is great exercise. I
run

Keep going ►

learned that going rust
up
with or down you always need to pack
think
watch
your footing. Best of all, it's like
not
work being an explorer. I got to see
things I'd never seen before.



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Video Chat

Ang was happy as he drank his morning cup of tea and ate his toast. Today he was going to have a video chat with his grandson, Hao.

It would be his first video **chat pack race** ever. His daughter, Mai, had given **him on that** a tablet computer for his birthday. **As But He** used it often. So far he'd **always just never** made a video call but he **led took was** looking forward to doing so.

It **fell had let** been a while since he had **built kept seen** Hao, so Mai had said they **about just should** do a video call. He looked **in of up** how to make

Keep going ►

the call on an
for
the Internet.

After lunch, he turned on at
by
the tablet and followed the steps.

The city
pencil
tablet started to beep and then Hao's and
from
out Mai's faces

were there. They looked blurry
early
rare at first, but then the picture

became
spent
talked clear. They were sitting on the couch
park
trail in their living

room. There were books
lists
rooms and games on the shelves behind

even
them
which, and some happy-looking plants in the family
problem
sunlight next

to the window.

“My goodness, chop
look
open at that!” he said, “Is that now
when
you ?”

“Hi, Grandpa!” Hao said.

Keep going ►

In the **corner**
head
week of the screen there was a **firm**
quick
small box with
another face in it. Hao **found**
sent
tried to see it better. He asked Hao
after
if
who that person was. Hao peered at **all**
as
the screen, then laughed.

“Grandpa, that’s you!” Hao **felt**
said
used .

They all laughed. Ang asked how **many**
over
these video calls Hao had
been on.

Hao **did**
had
said , “This is my first time!”

“Mine **back**
some
too !”

Ang was happy to share this **moment**
story
team with Hao. They were

Keep going ►

both making a his video call for the first time at like their lives. It
did not matter even how that he was older, or that his grandson reason service was
still so young. He smiled at to up Hao's face on the screen.

Mai gave found said, "Okay, you two. Stop laughing and kid's let's side's
talk about what's going on in for our under lives."

"You first," Ang said to Hao.

All Last No, you go," Hao replied to Ang.

Few People They were both suddenly a little shy.

Ang added created decided to be the one to begin meeting rushing talking. He

Keep going ►

described his day so far. **He**
Or talked about how often he missed
So
and
his daughter Mai and grandson Hao, and **a**
that **how** proud he was
only
of them both. **But**
He said that he was happy they **begin**
Our **could** see each
help
other now.

Mai laughed. Ang **happened**
provided what was funny. He looked
wondered
at **it**
just both smiling at him.
them

“Wow,” Hao **cut**
said . “I’ve never heard you talk so **both**
won **much** at
their
one time!”

“I know,” Ang **missed**
passed . “This video chatting is not so bad!”
replied



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Practice Passage

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Fishing Poles

Pedro and Jevon wanted to go to the pond to catch some fish for dinner, but they didn't have fishing poles. They knew where there was a tree that grew long, thin twigs. They thought that they could use her
some
their mom's sewing thread to turn twigs from
into
that fishing poles.

Pedro went to the bus
lake
shed to get the tree clippers, and Jevon asked
picked
raced their mom for some thread. Then his
the
your boys went to the tree and ate
cut
ran two long twigs off it. They bit
hid
tied a long piece of thread to last
our
the tip of each twig. Now they did
had
met fishing poles!

Keep going ►

They took the poles **down
inside
under** to the pond. They cast their **lights
poles
snacks** so that the thread flew toward **more
the
very** water. To their surprise, the threads **and
just
may** floated on top of the water.

Pedro **suggested
thought
understood** they tie small rocks to the **doors
ends
trees** of their threads. Jevon found two **dizzy
hungry
small** rocks, and they tied them at **few
my
the** end of their threads.

When they **cast
grew
ran** their lines this time, the threads **froze
sang
went** into the water. Now they were **barely
gently
really** fishing! The boys held onto their **deer
poles
toes** and waited for the fish to **bite
live
sink**.

The girl who lived next door **came
drew
said** riding up on her bike.

Keep going ►

She **asked**
found
meant them what fish they were trying **a**
for
to catch. Jevon
said they were trying **by**
is
to catch whatever kinds of fish were **in**
on
to
the pond. The girl asked what **birds**
some
they were using for bait.

“Bait?” Pedro **bent**
said
threw. He didn’t know what she was
talking
moving
writing about. Jevon explained that they were **eating**
making
using small
rocks.

“Rocks for bait? Good **luck**
mud
sock!” the girl said. She laughed in
a
for
to way that made it sound like **it**
our
she didn’t really mean it, and
she **flew**
gave
rode away.

“Well, I don’t care,” Pedro **read**
said
walked. Jevon nodded slowly.

Keep going ►

He thought that **he
it
just** had seen fish nibble on rocks **after
before
near**,
but he wasn't sure.

So, they **broke
kept
left** fishing. It was nice to sit **at
in
on** the sun with
a little breeze **blowing
dancing
hearing**. They saw birds flying low over **for
inner
the**
water, and a mother duck and six **ducklings
flowers
kittens** swam by. There was
clover growing **but
for
in** the grass near them, and they **ate
saw
told** bees
buzzing among the flowers. But **had
some
the** boys didn't see any fish.

"Maybe **it's
let's
she's** not fishing weather," Pedro said. Jevon
**agreed
brought
smiled** that fish liked the rain. At **bait
home
last**, they pulled in their
lines and **carried
shoved
worried** their poles back home.

Keep going ►

Lucky for them, their dad had already planned to make pasta
for dinner.



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One Spooky Night

It was late summer, and the boys were camping overnight. It was their first time camping on their own. They set up their tent in a field near a stream fed by a small waterfall. At the edge of the field, there was a wall of trees and miles of dense woods.

The woods were full of wild plants but deer liked. At night, deer would gather for a sip of water and a meal. The boys didn't know that almost. What they did know was that black bears were sometimes spotted in the area. The oldest boy built a small car. It was just big enough to keep.

Keep going ►

bears away.

When night came, there paid
saw no moon. A blanket of clouds
was
bit all but a few stars. It fell
hid the night seem darker than it
ran
let at home. They were grateful for now
took of fire.
was the

Suddenly, the boys saw five caves
pools of eyes shining in the
sets
dark. Bears fed the fire, watching the eyes closely
Stars kindly. Now and
They loosely
then, a pair would move
pour, but mostly they just seemed to
read
dance still.
race
stand

The oldest boy tried to calm
sweep the others. He said, "They're
wave
just books settling down for the night." The away
deer low boys
trees other

Keep going ►

nodded. Still, they were on edge
fire
paper now and kept looking around.

Then of
so
the sky rumbled, making the boys jump. All
Had
The boys
tossed the last scraps of cups
stars
wood onto the fire. No one had a
be
for
plan for what they'd do if eyes
rain
sky put out the fire.

They waited and
for
to what felt like forever. The sky folded
growled
labeled
again, but the clouds were slowly blowing
flaming
thinning. More stars came
out. In the bookcase
campfire
darkness now was only one set of eyes
pants
wires. These
eyes were low to the clouds
ground
stairs. And they started to move closer.
Complete
Somewhere
Whatever the animal was, it made no mess
sound
town at all.

Two of the boys did
had
were packed flashlights and took them out.

Keep going ►

Only Too While , they didn't work. They cried out, "A It We forgot to check the batteries!" Thinking fairly quickly , the oldest boy stood and spoke down the up loudly and clearly.

He shouted, "We are see tell you! Scram! Scoot!"

He waved his arms doors eyes wildly as he shouted. The eyes jolted picked stopped moving. The other boys joined in, hiding shouting and writing waving their arms, too. The eyes fire tent moved away and then they were close gone that . They came back farther away, halfway but up with a tree. Whatever it was, it cost fell was watching them.

The boys got no branch food sleep that night. In the early light is of to

Keep going ►

morning, they saw the tracks. They

bit
had
were

 the footprints of a
cougar. The cat had most likely been hunting for deer.



Maze Adjusted Score

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