

When we typed this press release we made some mistakes in letter combinations. Can you match the correct letter combinations to the correct words? Some combinations belong in more than one place.

ck gn ou ai ei
ea ee ch rt
nt io sk sc pr
ia ei ui st

From Dog Biscuits to a Water Buffalo, 4th Graders Make a Difference

Kathy Zeichman's f__rth-grade class in Ida, Mi__igan,

decided to r__se \$250 to

donate to H__fer

Internat__nal by selling

homemade, all-natural dog

bisc__ts.

The__udents worked in

small gr__ps to take care of

the ta__s of contacting

med__, designing pa__aging,

preparing order forms,

cr__ting an informative

inse__, making personalized

dog tags and using computers

to desi__ and pri__labels for

the pa__ages.

After __ducing 2,172 dog

bi__uits to fill 181 orders,

the students sent H__fer

Internat__nal \$250 to

pur__ase a water buffalo for

a n__dy family.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use context clues to understand the meaning of words.

What a Character!

Caring is ...



... helping others in time of need.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **OFFSPRING**

The noun **offspring** means the child or young of a human, animal or plant.

The goat gave birth to twin **offspring**.

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

The Greatest Gift



One year Beatrice, a young girl in Uganda, received a goat as a gift.

At first she didn't think it was such a great gift. What she really wanted was money to go to school.



But Beatrice's family was very poor. There was little money for medicine, clothes, blankets or food. School was simply a dream.



Much to Beatrice's surprise, the goat changed all that!

Drinking the goat's milk made Beatrice and her five younger sisters and brothers healthier. The manure from the goat fertilized the garden and made it more productive.

And, the one little goat gave more milk than her family could drink, so they could sell it and make money.



After a few months of selling the goat's milk, Beatrice had enough money to go to school!



How Beatrice Got Her Goat

Beatrice's goat was a gift from an organization called **Heifer International**. Children and adults can both help Heifer International give farm animals and training to needy families around the world.

The gift of a goat is \$120. Or you can share the cost with others for a \$10 donation.

Unscramble these words to find out the other kinds of gift animals Heifer International can provide to people in need.

SCIECK

UDCSK

ESEGE

BITSBAR

EPESH

To find out how you can give a goat to a family visit www.heifer.org.

Extra! Extra!

Helpful Hunt

Look through today's newspaper and find five or more ways people are helping others.

Standards Link: Civics: Understand the role of volunteerism and organized groups in social and political life.

- + = C
- = K
- = L
- ▲ = U

Beatrice named her goat **Mugisa**. Use the code to find out what that means. Do you think that was a good name for her goat?



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

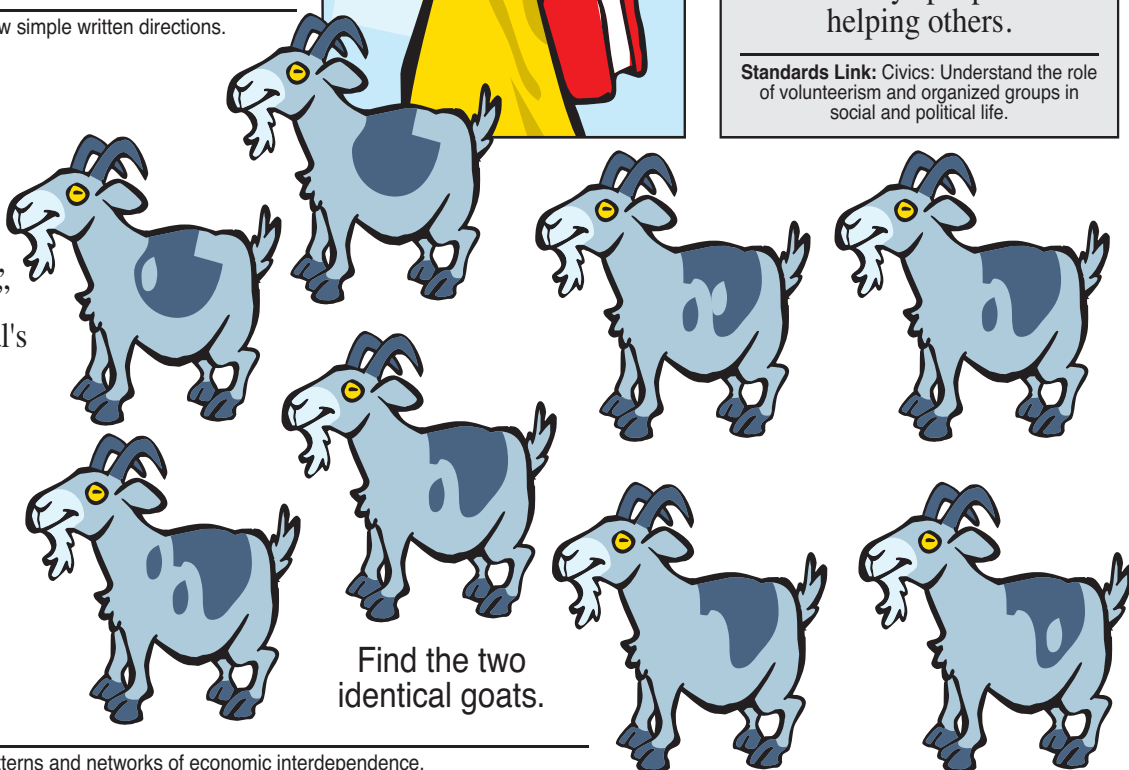
Gifts that MULTIPLY!

When Heifer International gives a goat or other animal to a family, the family must "pass on the gift." Recipient families give the animal's

The cost of any animal purchased includes training and medicines to keep the animal healthy.

first female offspring to another family in need. That family, in turn, passes

on the gift to another family. So one gift multiplies throughout the community!



Find the two identical goats.

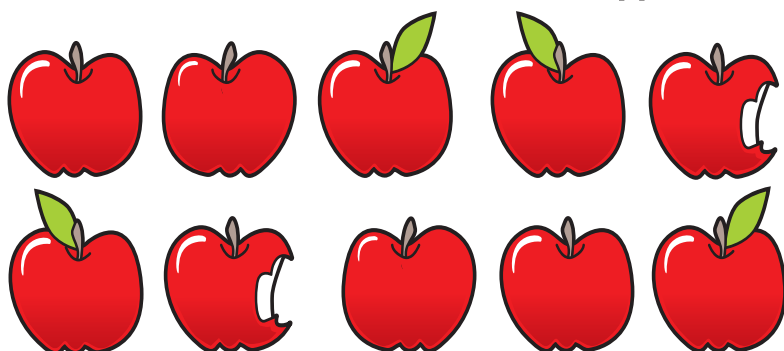
Standards Link: Geography: Understand the patterns and networks of economic interdependence.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

In addition to farm animals, people can give the gift of trees at www.heifer.org. Young trees, called seedlings, can be planted to create a small family orchard of fruit or nut trees. The fruit of the trees provides good nutrition and extra fruit can be sold at market to provide income for a family, too.



Draw a line between each identical apple.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- HEIFER
- MEDICINE
- MARKET
- MILK
- MANURE
- MONEY
- SURPRISE
- MUGISA
- FARM
- GOAT
- ANIMAL
- COINS
- GIFT
- BEATRICE
- UGANDA

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

H S N I O C E Y B L
S U R P R I S E E A
I G A F E R U N A M
T A S T F I G O T I
E N I C I D E M R N
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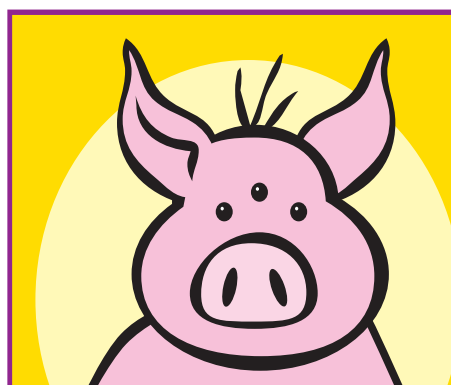
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

It's a Numbers Game

Find a partner. Each partner takes a different color pen or crayon. Circle as many numbers as you can in one minute on the front page. Who circled the most numbers over 50? Whose numbers add up to the highest sum?

Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums.



What do you call a pig with three eyes?

ANSWER: P!!!g!

Write On!

Creepy Animal Facts

Which animal do you think is the creepiest? Why? Write three facts about your chosen creature.