

Choose a story in this newspaper. Cut out the headline or write the headline in the box below.

WHY did the editor of this newspaper choose to send a reporter to find out more about this event?

WHY did this event happen?

What other questions would YOU ask people involved in this event?

Standards Link: Reading/Writing: Draw evidence from informational text.

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## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **SURROUND**

The verb **surround** means to enclose on all sides.

The players **surrounded** Devon in celebration when he scored a goal.

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

## Write On! The Magic Key

One day, while walking down the street, I found a key. Every time I tried to open a lock it ... **Finish this story.**

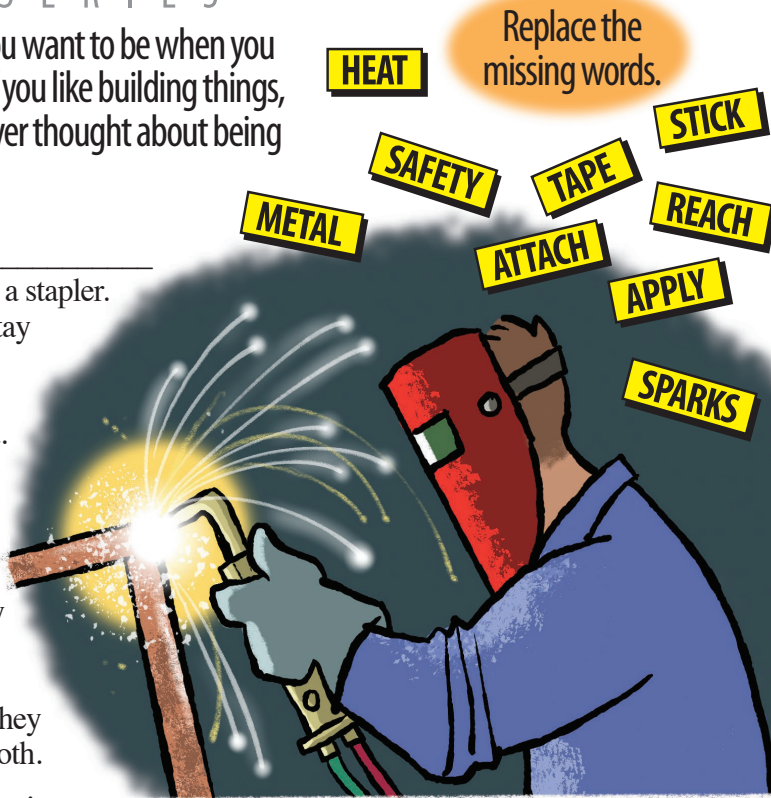
# WELDING

What do you want to be when you grow up? If you like building things, have you ever thought about being a welder?

A welder "welds" pieces of metal together. When you want to \_\_\_\_\_ two pieces of paper together you could use glue, \_\_\_\_\_ or a stapler. But how do you get two pieces of metal to \_\_\_\_\_ and stay together? It takes some intense heat!

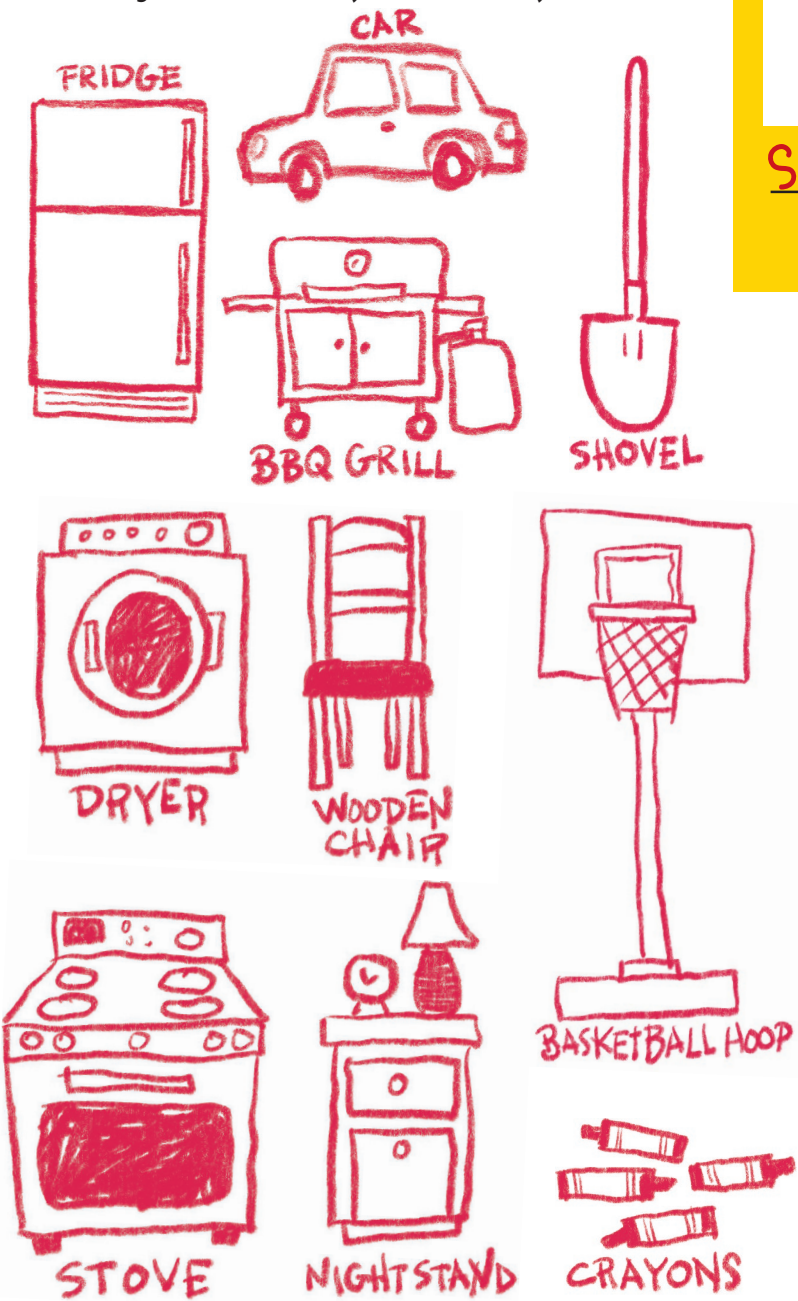
Welders work with \_\_\_\_\_ and flames or very hot equipment. It takes a lot of heat to melt \_\_\_\_\_. A **blowtorch** is aimed at metal to \_\_\_\_\_ high heat to melt metal. Sometimes, when watching a welder work you will see him or her surrounded by a shower of \_\_\_\_\_. Those sparks are little pieces of melted metal! They can burn clothing and skin, so \_\_\_\_\_ is very important in welding.

To be safe, welders wear special jackets, gloves and work shoes. They wear a helmet with a safety visor or safety glasses — sometimes both. They also make sure to have a fire extinguisher within \_\_\_\_\_.



## Welding Around Home

Wendy wants to be a welder someday like her Uncle Wesley. She drew pictures of some of the things she thinks required welding in order to be built. Cross out the things that were not welded together. Have a family member check your work.



## How can I become a welder?

Welders learn their trade by working in an apprenticeship training program. Circle every other letter to discover what an **apprentice** is.

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

S O M

## Being a Welder is a Good Job!

Replace the missing vowels to find out the many ways being a welder is a good career.

- Welders h\_lp p\_\_ple by making th\_ngs m\_de with m\_t\_l be str\_ng and s\_fe.
- The p\_y is v\_ry g\_\_d.
- The w\_rk w\_ld\_rs do touches m\_st ev\_ryb\_dy's lives.
- There is a sh\_rtage of w\_ld\_rs so th\_re are m\_ny j\_b\_\_penings.

## Extra! Extra!

## Hot Hotter Hottest!

Look through the newspaper for pictures or words that go with each of the words **hot**, **hotter**, and **hottest**. Paste these onto a blank sheet of paper and label each one. Repeat this activity for more adjectives such as cold, small, short, tall, funny, and other adjectives that can be used to compare nouns.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Understand and identify antonyms.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

### TOOL BOX TRIVIA: BLOWTORCH

A blowtorch produces a very, very hot flame to make heat that allows a welder to mold and cut metal. It's a dangerous tool and takes training and special safety equipment to use safely.

**Blowtorch** is a compound word—a word created by combining two smaller words. Draw lines to weld pairs of words to create compound words.

BLUE SNOW CUP BALL  
WALL BUTTER TEA HERO BIRD  
SUPER MILK PAPER

## Double Double Word Search

- BLOWTORCH
- SHORTAGE
- INTENSE
- TRAINING
- WELDER
- SPARKS
- SAFETY
- HELMET
- GLOVES
- VISOR
- METAL
- HEAT
- BURN
- MELT
- TOOL

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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

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

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### Welders in the News

Look through the newspaper for images that show things a welder might have made. Find 10 images and then group them into categories based on similarities. Come up with a name for each category.

Standards Link: Write descriptively comparing past and present.

## What kind of music do welders like best?

ANSWER: Heavy metal!