

Student Booklet

LANGUAGE 1



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- 1** Your teacher is buying new games for your class. What is your favourite game?
Write a paragraph to convince your teacher to buy a game you like.

Ideas for My Paragraph

Remember:

- Check over your work.
- Check your spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Talent Show

*Buy your tickets
for \$2.00
from your
classroom teacher.*

*It's a fundraiser for
new library books!*

SCHOOL TALENT SHOW

When: Friday, June 3rd, 2005
4:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Where: School Gymnasium

Who: Students, Teachers,
Family and Friends

Music

Dance

Drama

Gymnastics



*Come and see
your friends
in action!*

*Invite your
parents!*

*Come out and support
a great cause!*

2 The best new title for this poster would be

- “Our Music Recital.”
- “A New Gymnasium.”
- “Support Our Library.” *
- “Meet Your Child’s Teacher.”

3 According to the poster, what does a student need to get into the talent show?

- a ticket *
- a dollar
- a note from a parent
- a pass from a teacher

4 What is the purpose of this poster? Use information from the text and your own ideas in your answer.

5 Why does the author use two commas in this phrase: “Students, Teachers, Family and Friends”?

- for talking
- for ownership
- for excitement
- for listing things *

6 What verb belongs in this sentence?

Your teacher _____ tickets.

- sell
- sells *
- selling
- is sells

7 What word means almost the same as the word “talent”?

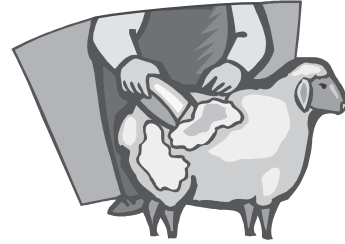
- skill *
- name
- cause
- movie

8 The money from the talent show will be used to buy new books for the library. Explain why this is a good idea. Use information from the text and your own ideas in your answer.

Making Clothing the Pioneer Way

Making clothing was one of the hardest jobs for the pioneers. It often took all year!

The job began in the spring. First, the sheep were sheared and all the wool was gathered. Then the wool had to be washed.



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The wool then had to be carded. This job was often done by the children. They rubbed the wool between two paddles studded with metal teeth to straighten out the fibres. The carding also removed burrs or twigs that were still stuck in the fleece.



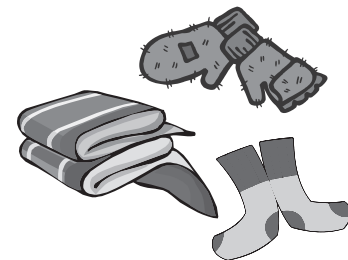
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Once they were straight, the wool fibres could be spun into thread. This was done using either a drop spindle or a spinning wheel. Either way, it was hard work. It would take many months to spin enough thread to make a family's clothes.



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When the wool was spun, it had to be wound into a skein of yarn. Each skein was stored until there was enough to dye. The colours from berries and other plants were used as dyes. The dyed yarn could then be knitted into mittens or socks or woven into cloth that would be used to make dresses, shirts or pants.



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Pioneers had to take very good care of their clothes. If clothes were ruined, the owner would have to wait until the next year to get new ones.

9 The article is mainly about how pioneers

- created colourful dyes.
- worked to make cloth. *
- sheared sheep to get wool.
- lived through cold winters.

10 Read the sentence below.

First, the sheep were sheared and all the wool was gathered.

The word “first” is used to show that

- shearing was the hardest job.
- gathering wool was necessary.
- other steps come after the shearing. *
- this information is the most important.

11 Why were sheep important to pioneers? Use information from the text and your own ideas in your answer.

12 Read the following sentence from the text (lines 7–9).

They rubbed the wool between two paddles studded with metal teeth to straighten out the fibres.

This sentence explains how the wool was

- dyed.
- spun.
- carded. *
- washed.

13 Pioneers had few clothes because clothes were

- hard to wash.
- made by hand. *
- dyed with colours.
- made in the spring.

14 Read the following sentences.

Pioneers had to take very good care of their clothes. If clothes were ruined, the owner would have to wait until the next year to get new ones.

The word “ruined” means

- torn.
- dirty.
- destroyed. *
- dampened.

15 Is “Making Clothing the Pioneer Way” a fiction or a non-fiction piece of writing? Use information from the text and your own ideas in your answer.

- 16** Summer is approaching, and your family is going to a place you really like.

Write a paragraph describing your favourite place. Tell where it is, what it looks like and why it is your favourite place.

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