Day 21

Learning To Work

From The Story of Young Abraham Lincoln,
by Wayne Whipple

Young Abe Lincoln learned to help his father and mother as soon as he could, picking berries, dropping seeds and carrying water for the men to drink. The farm at Knob Creek seems to have been a little more fertile than the other two places on which his father had chosen to live.

Once while living in the White House, President Lincoln was asked if he could remember his "old Kentucky home." He replied with considerable feeling:

"I remember that old home very well. Our farm was composed of three fields. It lay in the valley, surrounded by high hills and deep gorges. Sometimes, when there came a big rain in the hills, the water would come down through the gorges and spread all over the farm. The last thing I remember of doing there was one Saturday afternoon; the other boys planted the corn in what we called the big field—it contained seven acres—and I dropped the pumpkin seed. I dropped two seeds in every other row and every other hill. The next Sunday morning there came a big rain in the hills—it did not rain a drop in the valley, but the water, coming through the gorges, washed the ground, corn, pumpkin seeds and all, clear off the field!"

1. What were some of the jobs Abe Lincoln did as a boy?

2. How was the farm at Knob Creek different from other places Lincoln's family had lived?

3. Did President Lincoln remember his boyhood on Knob Creek?

4. In the story that Lincoln tells, what are the other boys planting?

5. What is Lincoln planting?

$+ 845$ $\times 2$

7. A paint set costs $9.20. Stella has $5.75. How much more will she need to buy the paint set? _____

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1. 1/2 of 12 = _____

2. 2000
   $- 1387$

3. 5187
   7803
   $+ \quad 46$

4. 4 x 9 - 5 = _____

5. Round to the nearest thousand. 8,481 _____

6. <, >, or =.   220 + 40 _____ 210 + 53

7. The rent on Alabama Avenue is $30. Dillon paid the rent 6 times. How much rent did he pay in all? _____

40

Name _____

1. Write the number. twenty-six thousand, thirty-six _____

2.   40
   $\times 9$

3. Estimate the answer to the nearest hundred.
      412
   $+ 351$

4.   9,027
   $- 3,544$

Day 22

Snowshoe Rabbits
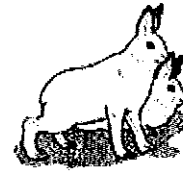
Do you think that a snowshoe rabbit wears snowshoes? Do you know what snowshoes are? Perhaps you live in a warm area like Florida where it doesn't snow. You would then never need to wear snowshoes. This elf is wearing snowshoes. Snowshoes look like tennis racquets that you put on your feet. Snowshoes will keep you from sinking into deep snow and people wear snowshoes when they want to walk over snow where the snow hasn't been plowed away, like in the woods.

Snowshoe rabbits are not really rabbits but are cousins of the rabbits called hares. Hares look so much like rabbits that people call hares rabbits. The name snowshoe hare and snowshoe rabbit mean the same animal. Perhaps you've heard about the very fast jackrabbits. Jackrabbits are another kind of hare too.

Baby rabbits are born blind and without any fur. They get vision and fur when they get a little older before they leave their nest. When they are born, baby hares can see and already have fur. Hares have longer ears than rabbits and longer back legs so they run faster than rabbits.

Snowshoe rabbits live in places that have a cold winter. Just like leaves of trees turn color in the fall, snowshoe rabbits turn from brown to white during the winter so they can blend in and hide from predators. Snowshoe rabbits turn brown again in the spring. Can you find the snowshoe rabbit in this picture?

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Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the correct answer.

1. In what kind of area do people wear snowshoes?

   a. At the beach
   b. On the ski slope
   c. In deep snow that isn't plowed
   d. At the mall

2. Snowshoes look like what kind of sports equipment?

   a. Tennis racquets
   b. Snowboards
   c. Baseball bats
   d. Soccer balls

3. Which statement is true about rabbits and hares?

   a. They are look very much alike.
   b. Hares are brown and rabbits are white.
   c. Jackrabbits are a type of rabbit.
   d. Hares do not live in cold climates.

4. Some animals turn white in winter because

   a. They want to stay clean.
   b. A white coat keeps them warmer in winter.
   c. The leaves change color.
   d. They need to match the snow to hide from predators.

5. Which statement about baby rabbits is true?

   a. Baby rabbits do not have a nest.
   b. Baby rabbits are born blind.
   c. Baby rabbits always have fur.
   d. Baby rabbits have white fur.

5. I have a quarter, 2 dimes, 4 nickels, and 1 penny. How much money do I have? _____

6. 2 gallons = _____ quarts

7. DeAnn went to summer camp for 6 weeks. How many days was this? _____

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Name _____

1. What digit is in ten thousand's place? 213,708 _____

2.
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  5000
-  416
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3.
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  36
x  2
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4. What is 15 minutes later than 2:50? _____   5. 6 + _____ = 15

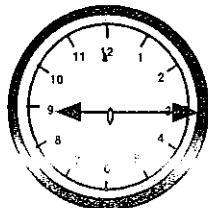6. How many minutes in 3 hours? _____

7. Tom has collected 36 stamps and Tina has collected 47 stamps. They need 100 to fill their album. How many more stamps do they need? _____

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Name _____

1.
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  26
   7
+ 18
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2. Write thirty-four thousand, six hundred and twelve as a number. _____

Day 23

Potholes for Ducks

Many birds in North America migrate every year. During the fall when the weather starts to get cold, migrating birds fly to the south, some as far as South America in order to stay warm and find food in the winter. Then they fly back north again in the spring in order to raise a family of babies in North America. Some birds stay in the United States in the warm weather but others like to go further north to Canada or even Alaska in the spring. Some birds stay in the same place all year long no matter what the weather. These are called non-migrating birds; they do not move from place to place.

Ducks and geese are called waterfowl because they like to live on the water and stay near water. Most ducks and geese migrate. Different kinds of ducks and geese, called different species, each prefer to stay in a different location. Just like you live in one city and other people live somewhere else, different birds migrate to the place that they like the best.

Many species of waterfowl like to make a nest and raise a family in the Prairie Pothole Region of Canada in the summer. To us who live in towns and cities, a pothole is a nuisance; a pothole is a hole in the road that should be fixed. A prairie pothole is a good thing. It is a small hole in the ground left when the glaciers from the Ice Age moved north again. These small holes fill with water and make lots of small ponds that are just the right size for ducks and geese to raise a family.

It's important that we pay attention to preserving these potholes as wildlife habitat, a place for ducks and geese to live.

Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the correct answer.

1. Why do birds migrate?

   a. To avoid the cold in winter.
   b. To move to a good place to raise a family.
   c. To find enough food in winter.
   d. All of the above.

2. Non-migrating birds

   a. Stay in the same location all year.
   b. Move to Canada in the summer.
   c. Move to Alaska in the spring.
   d. Fly south in the winter.

3. Which of the following birds are called waterfowl?

   a. Chickens
   b. Woodpeckers
   c. Ducks
   d. Pigeons

4. A prairie pothole was created by

   a. Heavy trucks on the road
   b. Moving glaciers
   c. Too many cars on the road
   d. Too much rain

5. When prairie potholes fill with water they make

   a. Rivers
   b. Streams
   c. Creeks
   d. Ponds

3. Write the time shown.

4. Write < or . 548 _____ 538

5. How many inches are in 3 feet? _____

6. Round 86 to the nearest ten.

7. The fourth grade sold 113 tickets to the school fair. The fifth grade sold 89. How many more tickets did the fourth grade sell? _____

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Name _____

1. $8.96
    -2.38

2. How much money is 2 quarters, 1 dime, and 3 nickels? _____

3. Write 200 + 30 + 6 as a standard numeral. _____

4. 1/2 of 6 = _____

5. 2,693
    + 4,118

6. How many inches in 2 feet?

7. Sarah's lunch cost $2.69 and Susan's cost $3.26. How much more did Susan's lunch cost? _____

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Name _____

1. Round 5,696 to the nearest thousand. _____

2. In 16 - 7 = 9 which number is the difference? _____

Day 24

The Family Piano

While there are lots of CD's in the store or you can download music, there's nothing like filling your home with your own music. If you have been thinking about learning how to play a musical instrument, think about playing the piano. A piano is one instrument that can easily be shared by the whole family, even to the point of playing duets. A duet is a piece of music that is sung or played by just two people.

Any member of the family can learn to play the piano. Many talented and famous musicians discovered a love of music sitting at the piano when they were very young. The piano is the perfect instrument for children. You don't have to hold onto a piano like other instruments such a guitar, violin or trumpet. Think about how proud you will feel if you learn how to play the piano and can play a song for your parents or grandparents.

Pianos come in many styles. A baby grand piano is a large piano that is long and takes up a lot of space. If you don't have enough room for such a big piano, an upright piano fits nicely against a wall. Keyboards used by rock groups are like a modern electronic piano.

Holidays can be more special with the entire family gathered around the piano, singing or listening to music played by adults and children alike. You can easily share your love of music and the piano with your friends and neighbors. There are many ways in which to enjoy family and music when you how to play the piano.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the correct answer.

1. How many people are needed for a duet?

   a. 1
   b. 2
   c. 4
   d. 5

2. A type of piano that is very large is called

   a. Keyboard
   b. Organ
   c. Upright
   d. Grand

3. Who can learn to play a piano?

   a. Small children
   b. Teenagers
   c. Adults
   d. Anyone

4. Which instrument does not need to be held in order to play it?

   a. Piano
   b. Violin
   c. Guitar
   d. Trumpet

5. If you know how to play the piano, who can you can play music for?

   a. Friends
   b. Parents
   c. Grandparents
   d. Friends, parents and grandparents

Name _____

1.   928
        +674

2. 1/2 of 24 is _____

3. 10 - 6 + 3 = _____

4. How many days in 9 weeks? _____

5. Add my two numbers and you get ten. Multiply them and you get 24. What are the two numbers? _____

6. 9 x _____ = 54

7. Matt took 3 dozen pencils out of a box which held 60. How many were left? _____

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Name _____

1.   2,019
   -1,346
  _____

2.   23
  47
  +18

3. Write the odd numbers between 20 and 30.
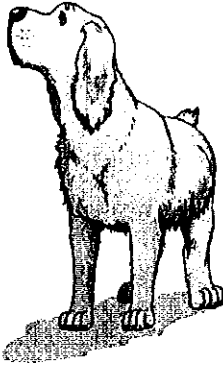
4. How many cups in 2 quarts? _____

5. Write 4000 + 600 + 8 as a standard numeral.

6. $6 \overline{)360}$

7. There were 15 books on the shelf and 17 on another. How many books were there altogether? _____

Day 25

Labrador Retrievers

Do you know which breed of dog is the most popular in the United States right now? If you guessed the Labrador retriever, you are correct! Perhaps someone in your family or one of your friends has a lab, as they are called, at home.

Labrador retrievers have three different possible colors for their fur: black, chocolate, and yellow, which is actually a light tan color. Labs are usually identified as black labs, chocolate labs and yellow labs.

Labrador retrievers are excellent family pets. These dogs like children and are sociable with strangers, making them a good neighborhood dog as well. Once trained, these dogs are obedient and don't get easily excited. Labs are a rather large breed of dog. A Labrador retriever can be 2 feet tall at the shoulder and weigh 90 to 100 pounds. That's why it is important that they are gentle with children because they are bigger than most children.

The name retriever comes from the fact that these dogs were originally bred to help hunters retrieve game in the field. If a hunter, for example, was hunting for ducks, the Labrador retriever would be able to swim in the water to fetch the duck for the hunter

Today most Labrador retrievers don't go hunting but stay home and make wonderful family pets. Labrador retrievers love to play ball and Frisbee with the children in their families. Because labs are such patient and obedient dogs, they make good service dogs to help people who are blind or disabled.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Multiple Choice Questions

Circle the correct answer.

1. What color is not appropriate for a Labrador retriever?

   a. Yellow
   b. Brown or chocolate
   c. Black
   d. White

2. About how tall is a lab at its shoulder height?

   a. 1 foot
   b. 2 feet
   c. 3 feet
   d. 4 feet

3. Labrador retrievers were originally bred for what purpose?

   a. Guard dogs
   b. Family pets
   c. Hunting dogs
   d. Service dogs

4. A service dog

   a. Helps people who are disabled
   b. Helps serve dinner
   c. Helps hunters
   d. Helps families with children

5. Which breed of dog is the most popular in the U.S. right now?

   a. Golden retriever
   b. Labrador retriever
   c. Chesapeake Bay retriever
   d. Curly-coated retriever

Name _____

1. How many feet in 4 yards? _____   2. 7) 560‾

3. $12.36   4. $13.63
    +   9.54   -   2.19

5. How much is 24 tens? _____

6. Round 418 to the nearest 100. _____

7. Fill in the blank. Michael had _____ tickets to sell. He sold 23 yesterday and 27 today.

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1. What comes next? 1, 4, 7, _____, _____, _____   2.   41
                                                                 x 5

3. What fraction is shaded?_____

4. What is 1/3 of 24? _____   5. Write < or >. 5,460 _____ 546

6. What is the quotient in 12 ÷ 4 = 3? _____

7. Tom earned $5.45 one day and $2.75 the next. If he has $6.25 left, how much did he spend?
    _____