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1. Change this phrase into a complete sentence.

On the world's largest roller coaster.

2. Edit this sentence.

millions of fun-seekers visit disneyland every year.

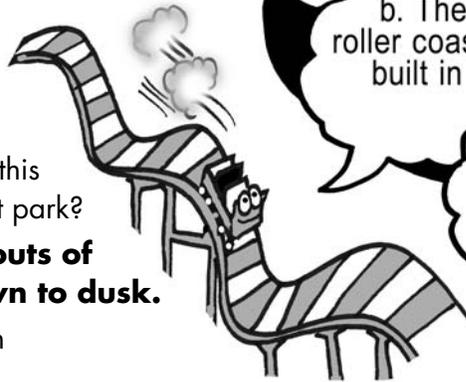
3. Which words mean "not clear"?

- a. disclear c. unclear
- b. imclear d. misclear

4. What literary technique is used in this sentence describing an amusement park?

Shrill shrieks and sharp shouts of delight are heard from dawn to dusk.

- personification alliteration
- exaggeration rhyme



5. Which statements are opinions?

a. Most Americans consider amusement parks the best place for family vacations.

b. The first roller coaster was built in 1870.

c. Roller coaster speed thrills most children and adults.

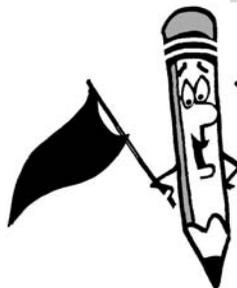
d. Until the 1960's, roller coaster tracks were made of wood.

1. Circle the simple subject in the following sentence:

John, daredevil of a kid, thinks all of the rides are too tame.

2. Which words are misspelled?

- a. meny
- b. goes
- c. gone
- d. becuse



5. Cross out the unnecessary words in the passage.

Each and every year thousands of people, men, women, and children, visit an amusement park. In my opinion, I think that an amusement park it is the most best place to spend a vacation. Hopefully, I hope to be able to visit this trio of amusement parks next summer: Disneyland, Dollywood, Hershey Park.

Name _____

Bumper Cars

1. Name two pairs of rhyming words. Drive recklessly without a fine. It's okay to skid and smash. No traffic light, no double line. All the fun is in the crash.

2. Choose the synonym.

When we got tired of the crowds at the park, we went back to the hotel pool for a **diversion**.

- rest change snack

3. Circle the correctly spelled words.

laugh does culd again

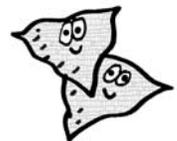
4. Which sentence is correct?

- a. Save a lot of money for you're day at Coney Island.
 b. Whose ready to leave now?
 c. Let's ride the Ferris wheel before the line gets too long.



5. Place the sentences in the correct order.

- ___ Matt's nachos fell on the sidewalk when a rambunctious preschooler bumped into him.
 ___ Because they had spent all their money, Matt and Margo shared the chili dog.
 ___ Matt ordered nachos and Margo chose a chili dog.
 ___ Margo and Matt hurried to the refreshment stand to buy lunch.



Name _____

1. Number the words in alphabetical order.

- ___ fast ___ scary
 ___ thrilling ___ amusing

2. What part of the sentence is underlined?

We waited forever to ride the Accelerator.

3. Circle the synonym for **remarkable**.

- unnecessary outrageous
 shameful unusual

4. Choose the best word for the blank.

Heavy rains _____ the roadways, slowing traffic to a crawl.

- filled wet
 puddle flooded

5. Edit the passage for correct capitalization and punctuation.

my sixty-eight year old grandpa is a thrill-seeker who spends every birthday at an amusement park riding its wildest roller coaster he began this tradition when he turned twenty-one and has not missed a year since old gramps has visited every adventure center from maine to california and keeps a list of the best and worst roller coasters



READ

1. To what kind of amusement park ride is the writer referring?
2. Circle five words that describe the movement of the ride.
3. Underline four words that describe the writer's reaction to the ride.
4. Describe the poem's rhyme pattern.

WRITE

1. Give the poem a good title.
Write this above the poem.
2. Write a summary of the poem.

My seatbelt's buckled; I slouch down low
 My hands grip the metal bar.
 With a slow click-clack
 Cars jerk up the track
 And climb toward the nearest star.

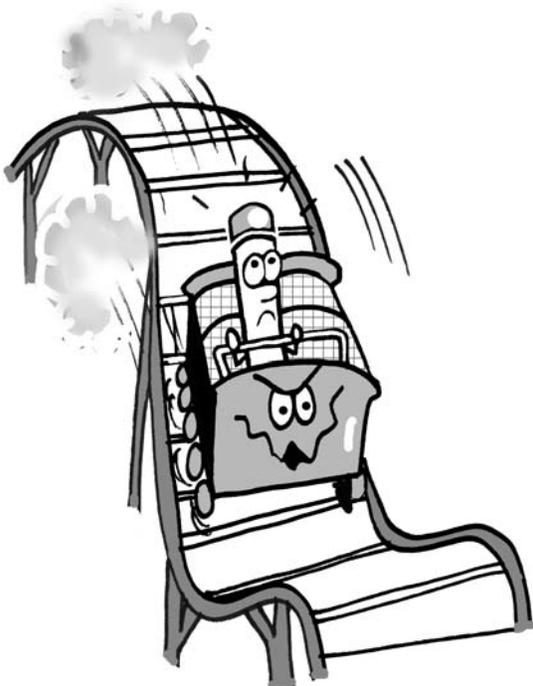
I'm anxious, excited, my eyes are wide.
 I quiver with dread and fear
 As we reach the top
 And jolt to a stop.
 Now, the time for flying is here!

A sudden plummet, a dip, a plunge—
 I shriek and laugh and scream.
 I gasp for breath.
 Am I facing death?
 Is this real or a scary dream?

A snake of six cars slithers along
 And twists itself down the rail
 There's a jerk, then a dive.
 Am I still alive?
 I am, but my skin looks pale.

We lean to the left, lurch to the right
 Final corners we swiftly round.
 After one sharp drop,
 We slow to a stop.
 My feet touch the solid ground.

I stumble down the exit ramp.
 My dad waits at the end.
 "Did you like the ride?
 You looked terrified."
 "Not me! I'm going again!"



Name _____

- During a hurricane the sea sometimes rises like the dome of a large stadium. This is called a *storm surge*. This passage:
 - explains exactly how a storm surge develops.
 - describes how a storm surge looks.
- Choose the compound words.

<input type="radio"/> coastline	<input type="radio"/> evacuate
<input type="radio"/> weather	<input type="radio"/> flashlight
- Correct the capitalization.

the caribbean sea	east
hurricane	gulf of mexico
- Put commas where they are needed.
To prepare for the hurricane we stocked up on canned goods bread cereal crackers and peanut butter

JASON'S HARDWARE
 624 South Land, Oceanviews, MS
HURRICANE SEASON IS COMING!
 Don't be caught unprepared!
EARLY SEASON SPECIAL
 We can meet all of your window protection needs. Find storm panels, window film, Bahama shutters, and more - **all for 25% off.**

5. What is the writer's purpose?
 a. to educate the reader about window protection
 b. to make the reader aware of the seriousness of hurricanes
 c. to convince the reader to visit his store
 d. to inform the reader that hurricane season has begun

Name _____

- Which is an example of descriptive writing?
 - encyclopedia article on hurricanes
 - poem by a person who observed a hurricane
 - essay on reasons for hurricanes
 - poster of hurricane safety tips
- Circle the subject pronouns.
 him I you we they
- Which words could be used in place of the bold word?
 steady regular continual occasional
 A hurricane is a tropical storm with a **constant** wind speed of 74 mph or more.
- Circle the correctly spelled words.
 evry first wonce never

5. The word **hurricane** would be found on page _____ in this dictionary:

hook 324 hopscotch
 hover 325 human
 hurl 326 hurried
 hurry 327 hush