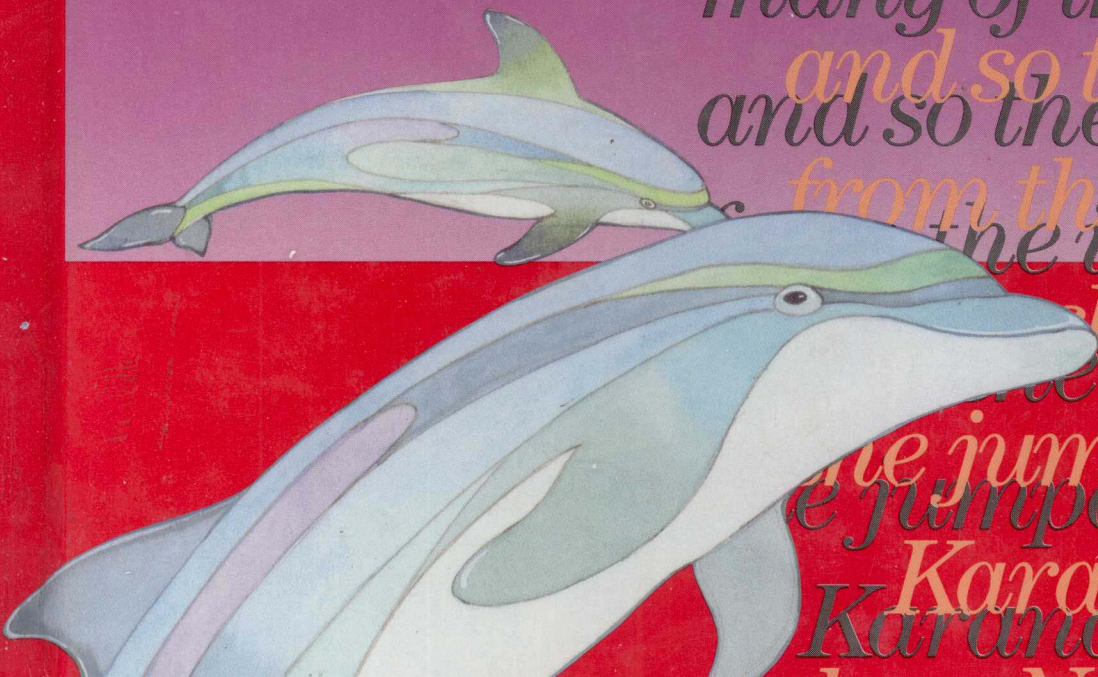


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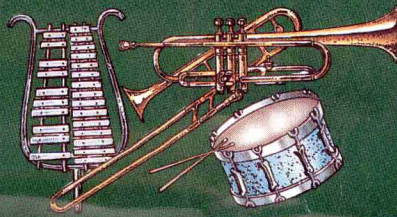
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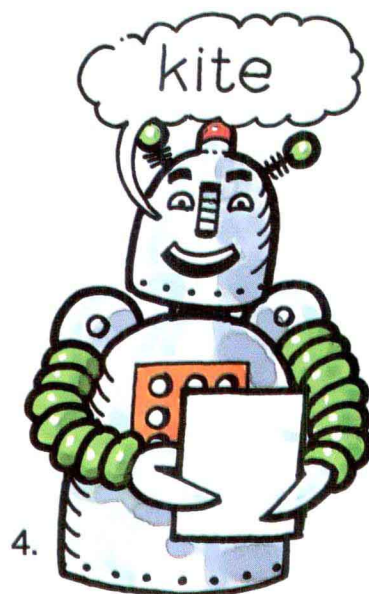
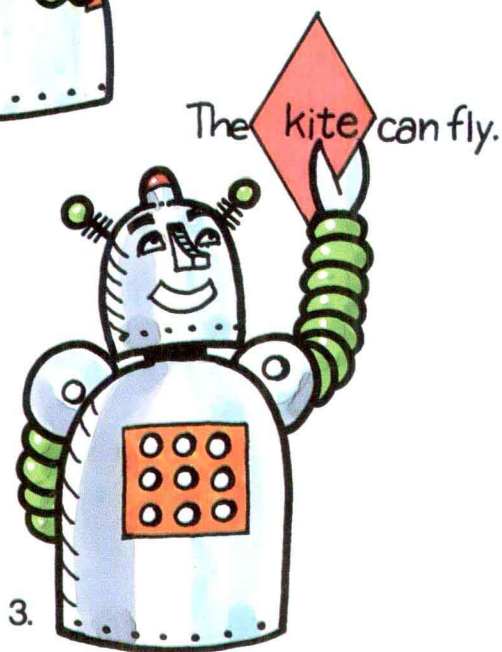
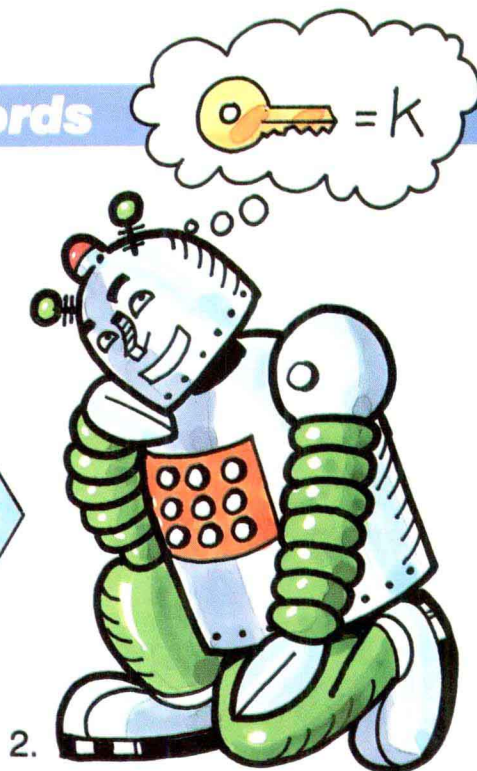
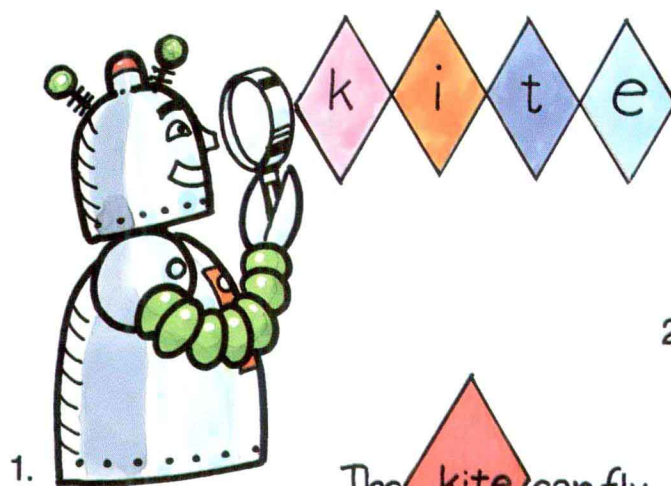
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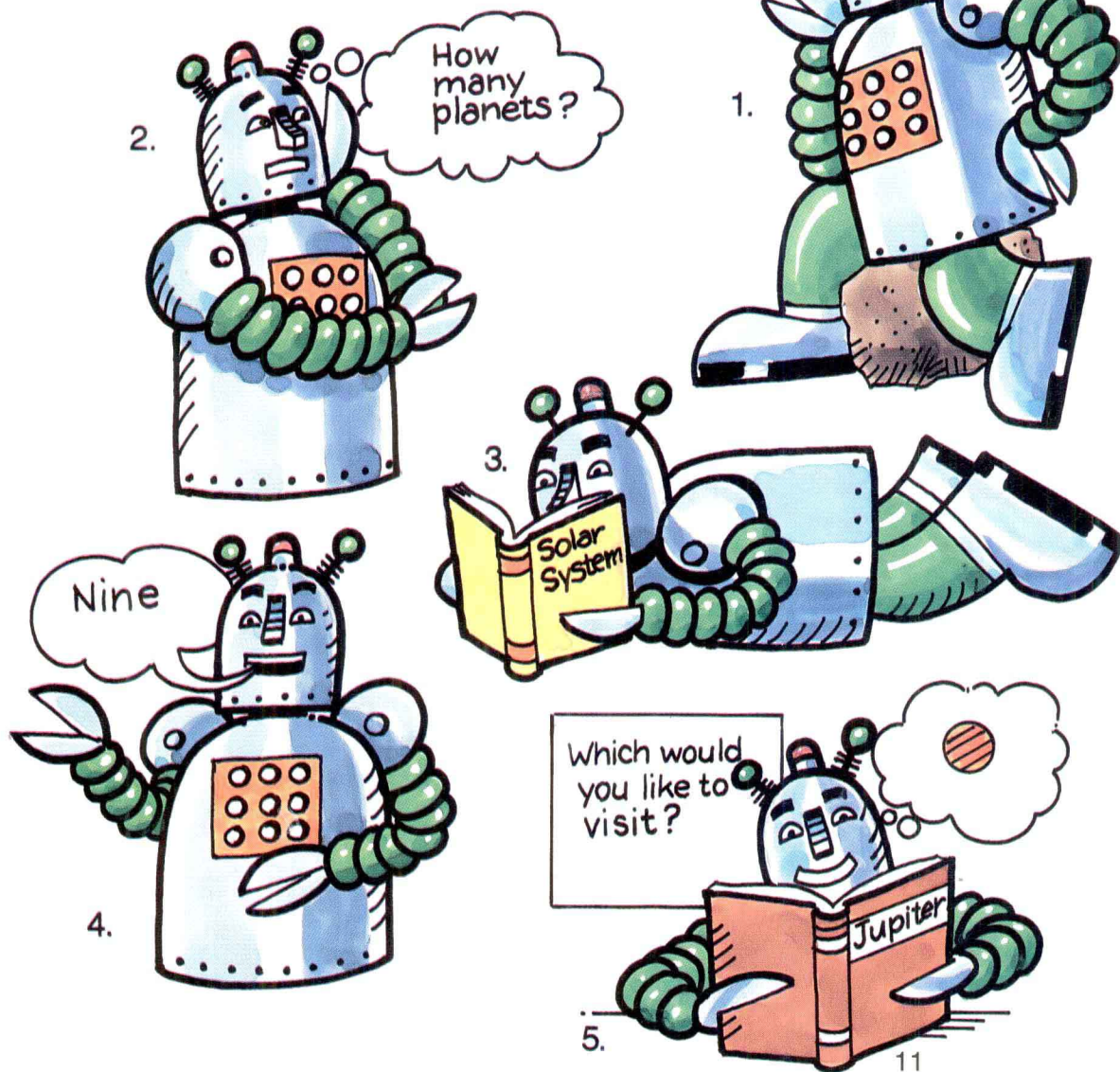
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3. Use the sentence clues.
4. Read the word.

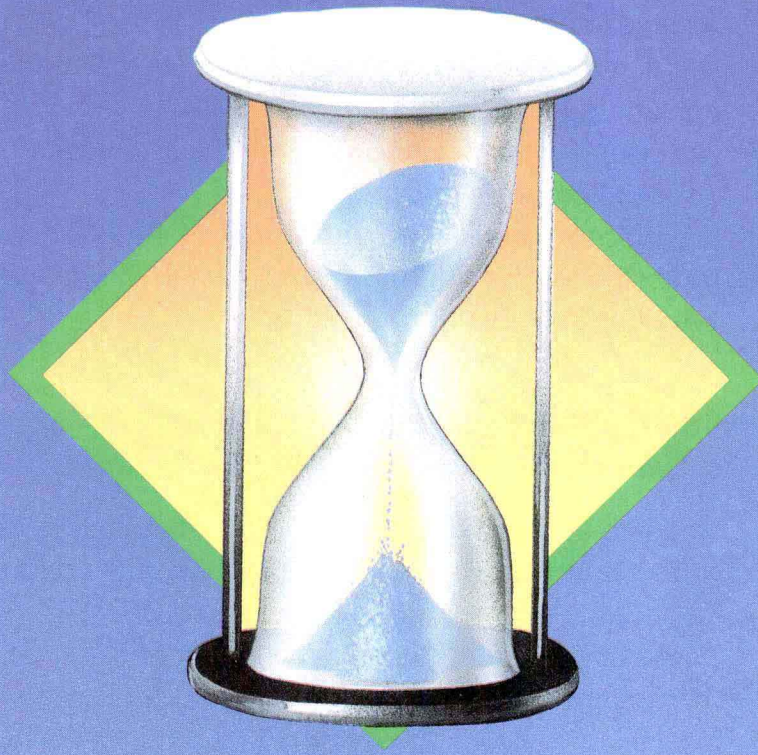


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2. Set a purpose for reading.
3. Read the selection.
4. Answer the purpose question.
5. Apply the information.



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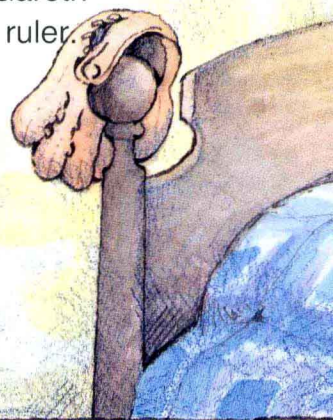
Learn New Words

1. The mother smiled **affectionately** at her daughter.
2. The **conditions** under which the race would be run were so difficult that many people dropped out.
3. Your new blue suit and your silver hair give you a **distinguished** look.
4. The summer **festival** was held at the lakefront and included a lot of good food and music.
5. The people wish to **honor** the returning travelers by having a special program and dinner.
6. The officers **seized** the suspect before he could run away.
7. The smile **vanished** from his face when the doctor told him he had broken his arm.

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Imagine that you can travel backward in time to any country in the world. To what time and place would you travel? Write about something you might experience.

Read this story to find out how Jason and his cat Gareth travel through time and teach a lesson to an Egyptian ruler.



Time Cat

by LLOYD ALEXANDER



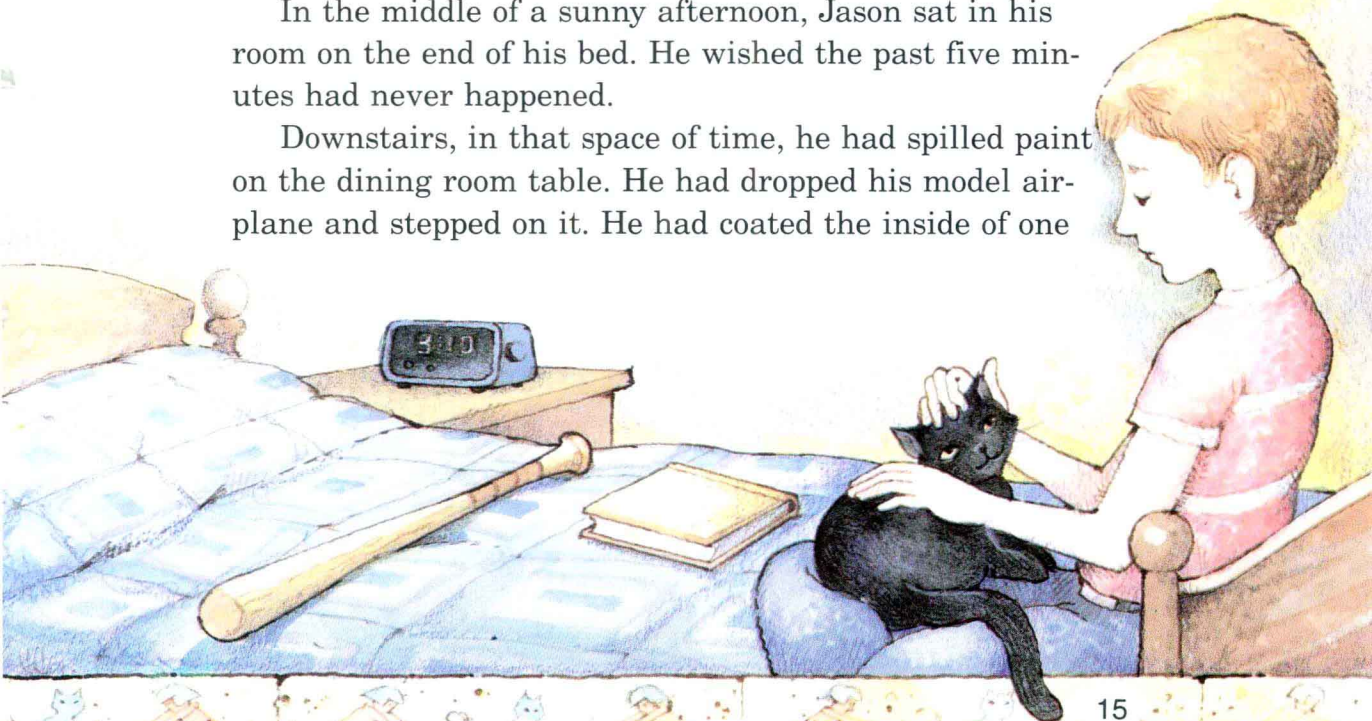
Gareth was a black cat with orange eyes. Sometimes, when he hunched his shoulders and put down his ears, he looked like an owl. When he stretched, he looked like a pair of black silk pajamas. When he sat with his eyes half shut and his tail curled around him, he looked like a secret.

He belonged to a boy named Jason. Jason loved him and believed Gareth could do anything in the world. As things turned out, Jason was right—not entirely right, but almost.

It happened this way.

In the middle of a sunny afternoon, Jason sat in his room on the end of his bed. He wished the past five minutes had never happened.

Downstairs, in that space of time, he had spilled paint on the dining room table. He had dropped his model airplane and stepped on it. He had coated the inside of one



pocket of his jeans with glue, when the tube had come uncapped. He had torn his shirt. Then he had begun to cry, even though he thought himself too old for it.

There had been other details he wanted to forget. In any case, he had been told to go to his room. He did, feeling sorry for himself.

Gareth had been napping on Jason's bed. The cat uncurled and climbed onto the boy's lap, where Jason stroked him affectionately.

"Lucky Gareth," Jason sighed. "I wish I had nine lives."

The cat stopped purring. "I wish I did, too," he said.

Jason started up in surprise. Not because Gareth had spoken. Jason had always been sure Gareth could speak if he wanted to. It was what Gareth had said that surprised Jason.

"You mean you really don't have nine lives?" Jason asked, disappointed.

"I'm afraid not," said the cat, in a very matter-of-fact way. "But, since you mention it, I'll tell you a secret. I have only one life. With a difference: I can visit."

"Visit?" Jason said.

"Yes," Gareth went on. "I can visit nine different lives. Anywhere, any time, any country, any century."

"Oh, Gareth!" Jason clapped his hands. "Can all cats do that?"

"Where do you think cats go when you're looking all over for them and they seem to have vanished?" Gareth replied.

"And you've really gone to a lot of different countries?" Jason asked.

"No, not yet," Gareth said. "I've been waiting for—oh, I don't know, a special reason, you might say."