

TIP

A **consonant blend** is two or more consonants that come together in a word. Their sounds blend together, but each sound is heard. Listen to the sounds of these consonant blends:

gl as in gloves
dr as in dream
str as in straight
scr as in screens

LIST WORDS

1. *gloves*
2. *speed*
3. *skill*
4. *screens*
5. *protect*
6. *front*
7. *craft*
8. *brains*
9. *scared*
10. *proper*
11. *trace*
12. *dream*
13. *straight*
14. *splinter*
15. *screech*
16. *spaces*
17. *stuff*
18. *greedy*
19. *sprinkle*
20. *strict*

Spelling Practice

Beginning Consonant Blends

Add the **sc**, **sk**, **sp**, or **st** consonant blend to each group of letters to form a **list word**.

1. uff
2. ill
3. ared
4. eed
5. aces

Add the **br**, **cr**, **dr**, **fr**, **gl**, **gr**, **pr**, or **tr** consonant blend to each group of letters to form a **list word**.

6. oper
7. otect
8. eam
9. ains
10. eedy
11. ace
12. aft
13. ont
14. oves

Add the **scr**, **spl**, **spr**, or **str** consonant blend to each group of letters to form a **list word**.

15. ict
16. inter
17. eens
18. eech
19. inkle
20. aight

Rhyming Words

Use the clues to write **list words**. Each **list word** must rhyme with the underlined word.

1. As I chopped wood last winter, I got a _____.
2. My sister loves to wear red _____.
3. Stand up _____ and perform a stunt.
4. Studying trains takes _____.
5. Sandpaper is rough _____.
6. I heard a _____ at the beach.
7. _____ the wrinkle to make it smooth.
8. To win the race, you will need _____.
9. Tiny _____ make fancy laces.
10. Hiking up mountains takes a lot of hill _____.



Puzzle

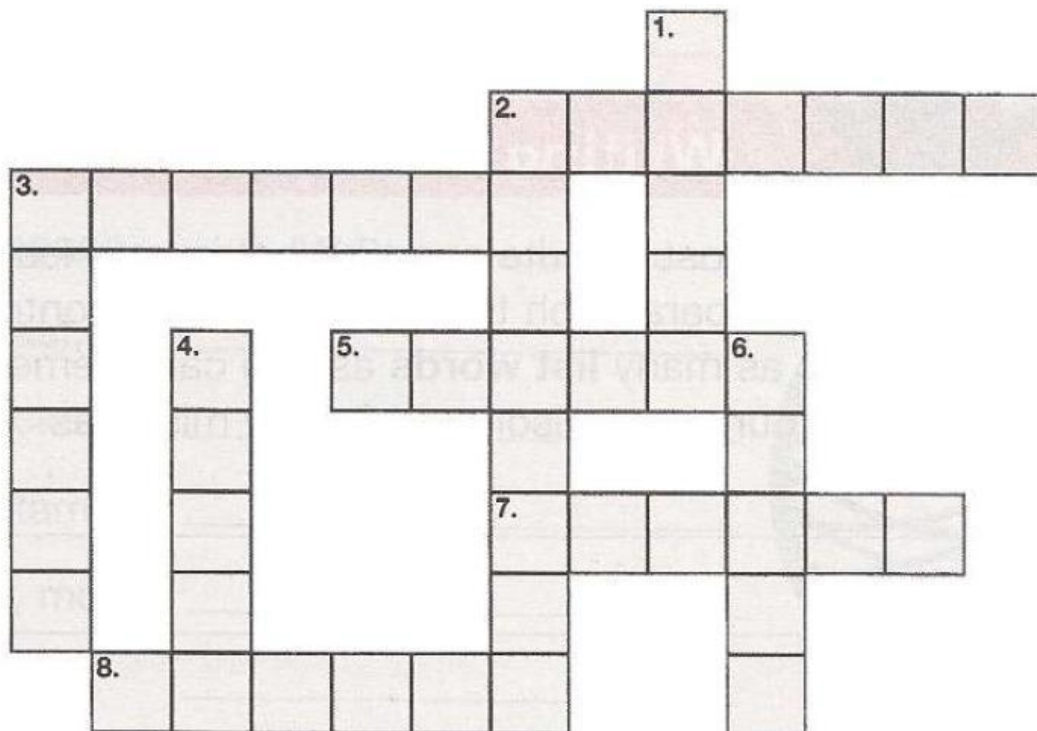
Fill in the crossword puzzle by writing a **list word** to answer each clue.

ACROSS

- 2. wire window coverings
- 3. to watch over or keep safe
- 5. afraid
- 7. not willing to share
- 8. harsh or stiff

DOWN

- 1. to copy a picture
- 2. not crooked or bent
- 3. correct or suitable
- 4. work that takes special skill
- 6. a sleeping person's mind picture



Spelling and Writing

Proofreading

The article below has ten mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to fix each mistake. Then, write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

Proofreading Marks

- spelling mistake
≡ capital letter

Kickball races are popular among many native peoples in Mexico, especially the Tarahumara. In a race, two teams of players kick a ball made of wood for many miles. The race can last for several hours or even days. Some Tarahumara players race barefoot with nothing to protect their feet. They move the ball in front of them with great skill and speed. They have to keep the ball going as straight as possible in order to win. Sometimes, they kick the ball across flat spaces to gain more ground and move ahead.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

