

Lesson Plans & Worksheets

PAWS IN JOBLAND

Grades 3 - 5





Lesson Plan 20 - Mystery in Jobland I

Individual activity

Learning objectives:

- To be able to appreciate and understand the roles that different people play in a particular situation; to use research and information retrieval skills

Curriculum links: English - comprehension, Technology – testing understanding of information retrieved.

Resources needed/preparation:

- Photocopies of Worksheet 20

Background: Paws in Jobland contains many jobs that sometimes involve cooperation with one another. This worksheet activity demonstrates in a fun way that one situation can bring together several people, each performing the role dictated by their job.

Introduction/guidelines for students:

- Discuss with children the people they have seen this morning on their way to school. Some may have seen a letter carrier, bus/coach driver, store keeper, train driver, nurse, nanny etc; and of course a teacher.
- Point out that during that short time they may have come across people doing several different jobs.
- Look at the list of jobs (see below) involved in the Mystery in Jobland story. Ask the children to spend some time looking at Paws in Jobland to understand more about each job.
- You may want to read out the Mystery in Jobland story before you hand out the worksheets.
- Ask the children to complete the story by writing the relevant job names in the gaps. The jobs are given (in anagram form) at the bottom of each sheet.

Ideas for further development:

- Some students may find it more of a challenge to work without the list of jobs. You could cover the list before photocopying the worksheet.
- You could suggest to the students that they swap some of the jobs around as a fun exercise. They could also make up their own stories, using jobs they know about, i.e. jobs around the school or in their town/village.

Ideas for making the activity easier:

- You could give students the job titles in non-anagram form.
- This activity relies heavily on reading skills. It would be a good idea to work in a group if using this activity with students of lower reading ability. You could read the story out loud and ask the students to call out the jobs.
- Alternatively, students with lower reading ability could be paired up with those who have a higher ability.

Display ideas:

This could be an opportunity for you to let your student's imaginations run riot! A display could consist of paintings and/or models (made from paper mache or modelling clay) of aliens/space creatures designed and made by the children.

Answers

Jobs in this order:
doctor, police officer, journalists, photographer,
paramedic, meteorologist, airplane pilot



Worksheet 20 - Mystery in Jobland 1

My Name: _____ Date: _____

Materials/Resources Needed:

- Photocopies of Worksheet 20



The _____ leaned over the huddled body, stethoscope in hand, to see if there was any sign of life.

"Well, there's not a heartbeat as such, more of a hum," she said to PC Kortim, the _____ who stood in the doorway with his helmet tucked respectfully under his arm. Outside, there was a bustle of _____, their notebooks and pencils at the ready. Some were clutching microphones, others were fiddling with the knobs on their tape recorders. Suddenly, there was a bright flash as a _____

_____ poked her camera through the huddle of people waiting outside the hut in the cold mountain air.

At that moment, everyone turned to look at the brilliant flashing light of the ambulance that was climbing through the snow towards them. With his brilliant yellow jacket glowing through the dark, a _____ leaped from the ambulance and forced his way through the crowd, a bag of instruments swinging dangerously at his side. As he entered the hut, he gasped at the sight that met him.



Meanwhile, at the headquarters of the Jobland Scientific Centre, a _____ was studying weather charts to discover the source of an incident reported earlier that night. Ivor Wings, _____ had seen a strange glow in the sky as he brought his plane into land over Jobland Forest.

To be continued...

Rearrange these alien names to find the jobs:

torcod - loipec forfice - slurjanoits - praghooother - criemapad
loogstermeito - nalpirae topil



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