

May Brainwork

"If we succeed in giving the love of learning, the learning itself is sure to follow." John Lubbock, English author

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May is Better Sleep Month. Write a conversation that you might have with your pillow on a night when you can't get to sleep.	May is National Egg Month. Celebrate the "incredible, edible egg" by creating a menu of only eggs for breakfast, lunch & dinner.	Postcard Week is celebrated the first week in May. Would you rather be a postcard, a letter or an e-mail? Why?	May is National Bike Month. How is life like riding a bicycle? If a helmet keeps you safe when you fall off a bike, what keeps you safe when you "fall" in life?	May 4, 1776 - first time invisible ink was used in diplomatic correspondence. Think of a time when you wished you were invisible. Why did you feel that way?
Be Kind to Animals Week - What if pets could select their owners by reading ads in the newspaper? Write an ad about yourself telling why you would be a great owner.	Mystery Number! I'm a 2-digit even number. The sum of my digits is 11. If you reverse my digits, I would be 27 less than I am. Who am I?	When the dismissal bell rang on the last day of school, all of the students began to <i>ululate</i> . What did the teachers do?	Which letter in the word "may" is the most <i>lugubrious</i> M, A, or Y?	In 1908 Anna Jarvis had the idea for a day to honor mothers. Design a card from your favorite book character to his/her mother.
Imagine a digital alarm clock. Over a 12 hour period, how many times will at least one 5 show on the clock? How many times will 6 appear?	The principal asked each student where his/her <i>peregrinations</i> would take them this summer. What did she mean?	May 14 is Admit a Mistake Day. When is it good to make a mistake? Why is it so difficult to admit it when we make mistakes?	Mickey and Minnie Mouse got on the monorail at Disney World. At the first stop, 5 people got off and 4 got on. Next, 8 people got off and 6 got on. Finally all 20 people got off. How many people were on the monorail when Mickey and Minnie got on?	Mystery Number! I am a factor of 72. I am a multiple of 6. I am divisible by 8. I am less than the number of squares on a checkerboard. Who am I?
May 19, 1861 - birthday of opera singer Nellie Melba for whom the <i>Peach Melba</i> dessert was named. Write a funny story about how "chicken a la king" or "baked Alaska" was named.	Pickles, Pickles, Pickles! This is National Pickle Week. Which pickle do you think should be made the official pickle of the United States?	May 25, 1977 was the premiere of the first "Star Wars" movie. Tell about a time when "the force was with you".	Where would your favorite cartoon/comic character most like to go on vacation? Draw a picture & write a story.	How is a Friday afternoon like: A pizza? A water fountain? An alarm clock?
Rhyme Time "feline headwear" = "cat hat" "insects' trousers" = ??? "amphibian highway" = ??? "indolent flower" = ??? Now make up your own!	Celebrate National Shoe Week! In whose shoes would you most like to walk for a week? In whose shoes would you least like to walk? Why?	Make a list of people who are <i>quinguagenarians</i> . Is your teacher on the list? Would you like to be on the list? Why or why not?	Jose, Julia and Aman were comparing points they got in a game. Together Jose and Julia have 44 points. Jose and Aman have 56 points. Julia and Aman have 48 points. How many points does each have?	May 31, 1977 - completion of the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline. A worker was paid \$23.50/hr for 40 hrs., plus time and a half for 7 hours of overtime. How much did he earn?

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