



WHAT DO YOU KNOW???????

Colorado Kids: February 17, 2009



1) Where did Jennifer Figge start her swimming journey, and where did she end it?

- c) Cape Verde Islands; Trinidad
- r) Venezuela; Iraq
- e) Aspen; Africa
- w) British Virgin Islands; Atlanta

2) What project is Jennifer raising money for?

- a) to support soldiers in Iraq
- o) to supply clean drinking water for children in Ethiopia
- e) to purchase dog food and supplies for a local humane society
- i) to raise awareness for the swimming division of the Special Olympics

3) Why was the Army mechanic hiding in a box in a classroom?

- v) to scare the teacher
- l) to finish his homework
- a) to surprise his son for his birthday
- d) to work on a flashlight battery



4) What did Kemoy say about finding and turning in the wallet with \$500?

- s) All of the answers below are correct.
- w) "I knew there was money in the wallet, but I didn't know there was a LOT of money in it."
- h) "She told me I did the right thing and she gave me a big hug."
- w) "Being honest will lead to better things."

5) What is a Brain Bowl?

- a) a bowl for cereal
- c) a bowling competition to raise money
- t) a knowledge competition
- b) a game played with light-weight bowling balls

6) To accomplish her goal, Jennifer Figge used determination, talent, preparation, and a professional crew. On the left side, list some specific steps that Figge used to complete her swim. On the right side, write down how you will prepare for a goal, you hope to meet the goal. My goal is: _____

Figge prepares for her goal



I prepare for my goal

7) Look carefully at each underlined word or phrase. If there is a mistake, use a pencil to make the correction in the space above it. If there is no mistake, write "OK" above the underlined word or phrase.

Figge dreamed of swimming the atlantic since she was 11 year's old. "I've always dreamed about being this little thing in the big ocean," she said. "The cage is my playpen. Its like a big French-fry basket."

8) From this lead paragraph, write in the "who," "what," "when," "where," and "why." Some news articles also include the "how" in the lead – which is the first few sentences of a news story?

Boulder, COLORADO – On January 24, I had the honor of representing West Jefferson Middle School at the Optimist Brain Bowl in Boulder. Hundreds of boys and girls from 79 teams in Northern Colorado and Wyoming came to compete.

Who (subject) _____ What happened? (action) _____

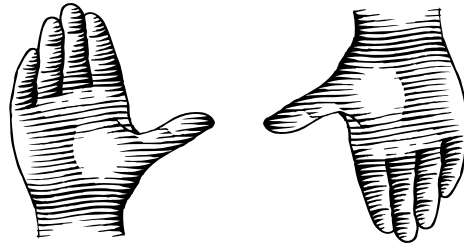
 When _____ Where _____
 Why _____

9) Make up a new, funny, silly, or zany headline out of all the words in today's Real News headlines. Can you top this one?

Wallet swims into playoffs

10) Thinking about the "handy" poem, answer below: 1) Name one special thing can you do with your hands that most of your friends can't. 2) Who can you wave to that could use a little friendliness? 3) Is there a younger child in your life whose hand you can hold? Name him or her. 4) Who can you clap your hands for that can use some encouragement? 5) Name an animal you can pet with your hands.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____



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Fill in the letter of the correct answer from the questions above to finish this rhyme:

Jennifer Figge can always boast of swimming part of the way from coast to ...

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.



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