



Student Performance Events

Stimulus Materials

Proficiency Assessments for Mississippi Students-Alternate
MISSISSIPPI-ALT

Grade 3 Released

ELA and Mathematics

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ELA

Doreen goes to the animal shelter. She wants to adopt a new pet. Doreen walks over to look at the kittens. A very small, sad-looking kitten meows at her. She picks up the kitten and pets its soft fur. The kitten begins to purr.

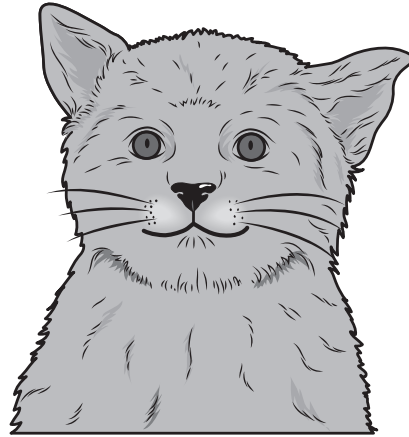
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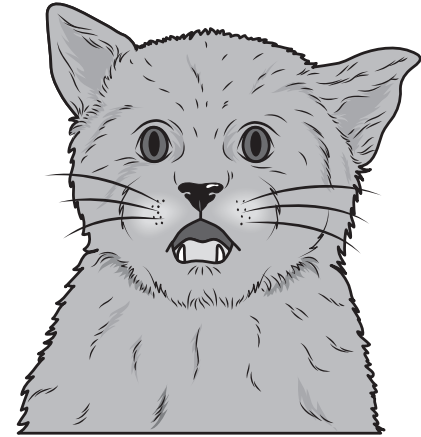
afraid



upset



happy



afraid

First, our teacher, Mr. Jones, puts everything we need on a table. Next, we read the directions for the cake. Then, we mix everything together in a bowl. Finally, Mr. Jones puts the cake in the oven. When the cake is done, we get to eat it. We all agree that the cake is delicious!

Our class is hoping to buy a cake today.

Our class is going to bake a cake today.

Our class is planning to sell a cake today.

Our class is _____ a cake today.

buying

baking

I like to play soccer with Sarah.

Her Dog is very good at running.

My Teacher has cats that are black.

Sarah

Dog

Teacher

My Cat and Me

My name is Becky. I have a cat named Mittens. I love taking care of my cat. Mittens follows me wherever I go. Whenever I turn around, Mittens is always looking up at me.

One sunny day, Mittens and I were playing when I heard a bird chirping. I looked up in the apple tree and saw a nest on a leafy branch. The nest was empty! So, Mittens and I looked down under the apple tree. A baby bird had fallen out of the nest. It was peeping loudly and looked scared. Oh no, I thought. Where was the baby bird's mother?



“Hurry Mittens! Let’s go inside,” I shouted.

I ran back into the house to find Mom. There was no time to waste. Mom would know just how to help the baby bird. I rushed through the house searching for her. Mittens followed me

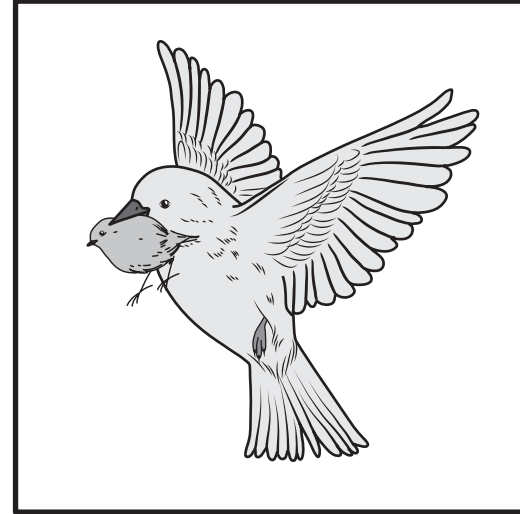


wherever I went, up the stairs and down the stairs. Finally, I found her! Mom knew right away that something was wrong.

“What’s the matter?” Mom asked.

“Hurry Mom! I found a baby bird in our yard!” I cried.

We hurried to the back door and looked out. What a surprise! The mother bird was carrying the baby bird in her beak. She flew up to a branch of the apple tree. She carefully placed the baby bird back in the nest. The mother bird took care of the baby bird just like I take care of my cat.



When I looked down, there was Mittens. She was looking up at me. I patted Mittens softly on the head and said, "You are the best cat in the whole world. I will always take care of you!"



outside

school

store



A baby bird had fallen out of the nest. It was peeping loudly and looked scared. Oh no, I thought. Where was the baby bird's mother?

"Hurry Mittens! Let's go inside," I shouted.

happy

tired

worried

Mathematics

There are 10 kickballs on the ball rack. Joe took 4 kickballs to use during recess. How many kickballs are left on the ball rack?

8

6

4

**There are 5 kickballs on the ball rack.
Susan took 3 kickballs to use during
recess. How many kickballs are left
on the ball rack?**

5

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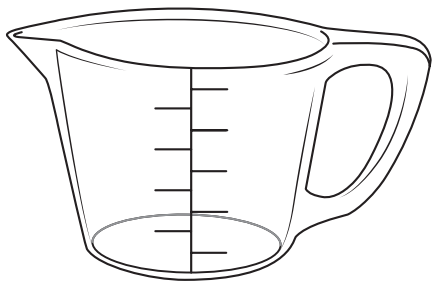
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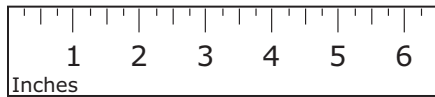
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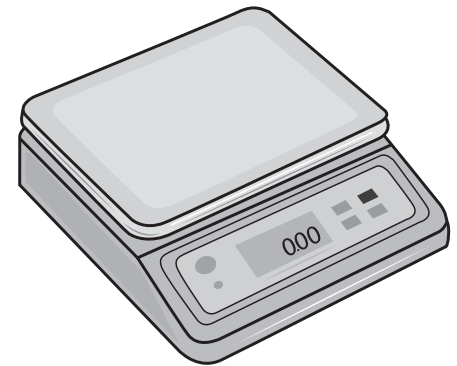
Chris is measuring the volume of milk. Which tool should Chris use to measure the volume of the milk?



**measuring
cup**



ruler



scale