

When I Was Young in the Mountains Printables

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Math: Story Problems

There are three pages of math problems for your student to work out. All of them are based on the book, *When I Was Young in the Mountains*.

Math: Snake Measurement Activity

Look how long that snake is in the illustrations! Yikes!

You will need a soft measuring tape for this activity in which you can compare your student's height to the length of various snakes.

Language Arts: When I Was Young In _____

Encourage your student to write a story similar to *When I Was Young in the Mountains*. Your student can type right on the page provided (or your student can dictate while you type).

Language Arts: Copywork

Copy the passage and discuss the words.

Social Studies: Comparing Time Periods

Let your student use the Cynthia's Life in the Mountains/My Life in _____ to compare and contrast his life with Cynthia's life. For instance, Cynthia shops at the general store, but your student probably shops at a grocery store. Cynthia uses an outhouse and takes a bath in a tub because there isn't indoor plumbing. What other things are different about Cynthia's life? Is there anything that is the same?

Social Studies: Where Are the Appalachian Mountains?

Draw and color the Appalachian Mountains on the map provided.

Cooking: Make a meal of cornbread, pinto beans, and fried okra.

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Story Problems

Twenty men work in the coal mine. Five stop for a break. How many are still working?

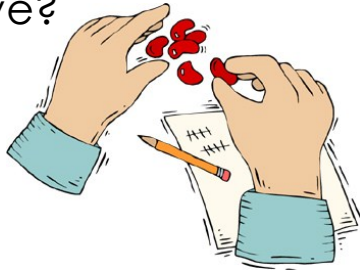


Grandmother's cornbread recipe calls for one cup cornmeal, one cup self-rising flour, one egg, and one cup sweet milk. Double the recipe and write it on the recipe card below.

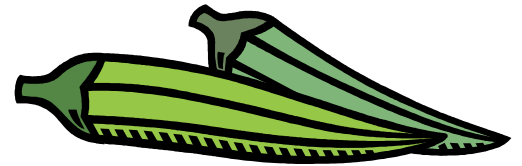
Grandmother's Cornbread Recipe



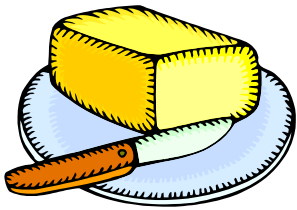
Grandmother has two pounds of pinto beans. She wants to divide the beans into half pound packages. How many packages will she have?



Four people are eating supper. Each person has eaten two servings of fried okra. How many servings of okra have been consumed?



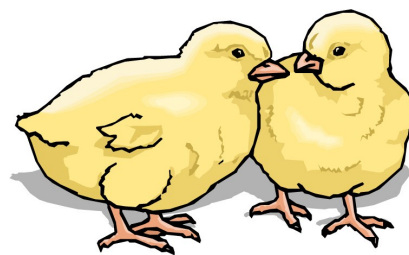
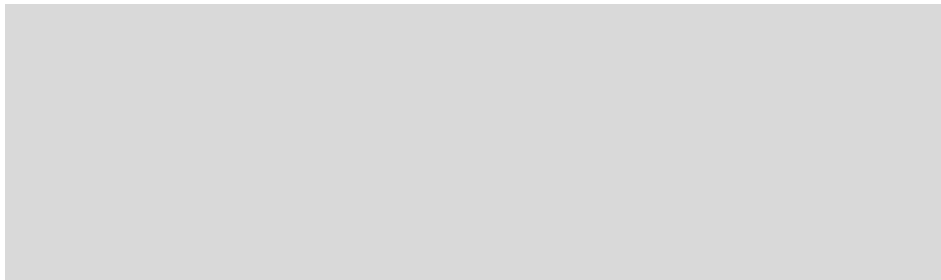
I bought two pounds of butter from Mrs. Crawford. Each pound cost 50¢. How much money did I spend? How much change did I receive from \$5?



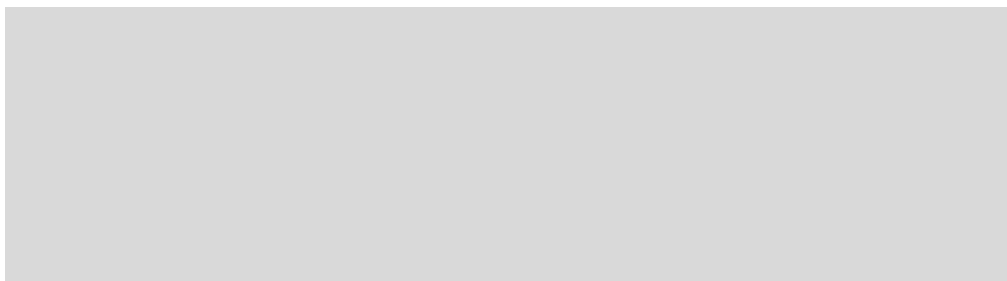
It takes ten pails of water to fill a tub. How many pails are needed to fill 2 tubs to fill 3 tubs to fill 4 tubs to fill 5 tubs



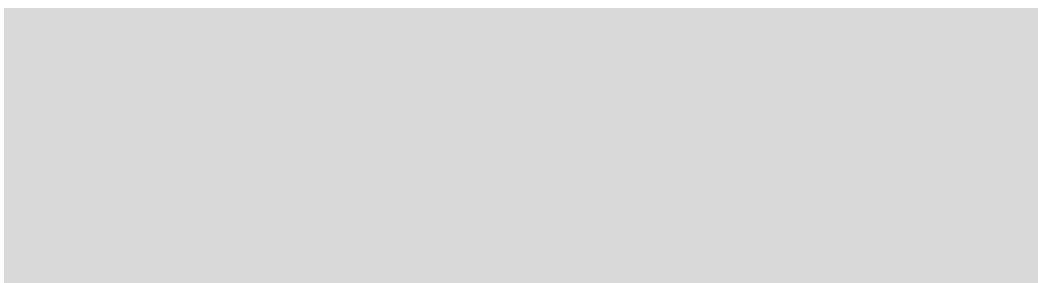
There were twenty baby chicks. Two were eaten by a snake and one got lost. How many baby chicks are left?



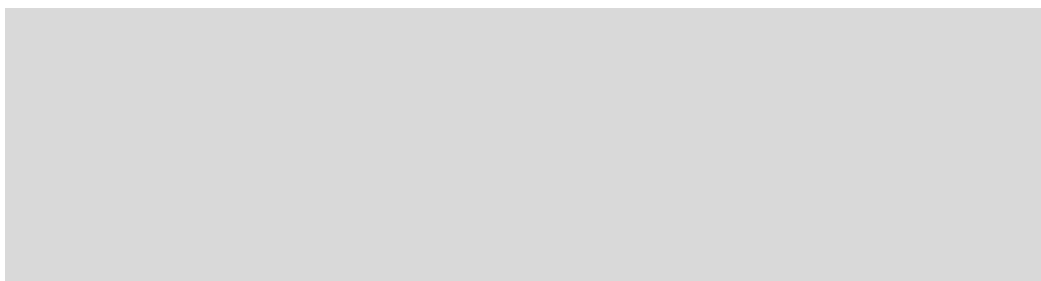
Grandmother prepared four cups of cocoa. A serving is one half cup. How many servings of cocoa did Grandmother prepare?



We sing two hymns each night before going to bed. How many hymns do we sing each week?



Four children were swimming in the creek. Two more jumped in the water. How many children are now swimming in the creek?



Snake Measurement Activity



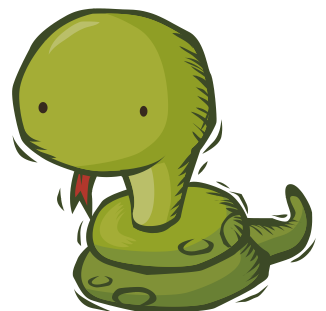
Using a soft tape measure, measure your student's height (in inches). Let your older student use division to determine how many of themselves it would take to equal the length of each snake listed below.

For your younger student, mark their measurement on the floor (masking tape works well). Then, have your student help you measure and mark each snake. How does he compare? Which snake would be the most intimidating to encounter?!?

You could also turn this information into a graphing activity.

Black mamba	99.6 inches
King cobra	210 inches
Green anaconda	450 inches
Reticulated python	396 inches
Common Garter snake	51.2 inches
Timber Rattlesnake	74.5 inches
Milk snake	78.3 inches
Thread snake	5.9 inches

Want to learn more about snakes?
Try our [**FREE Snake Unit Study & Lapbook!**](#)



"When I Was Young in . . ."

Your student can type right on the next page to write her own "When I Was Young in . . ." story, using the printable on the next page.

Remember to use a comma after each when statement, and remember to use a period at the end of each sentence.

When I Was Young in

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I liked to

When I was young in

my favorite food was

When I was young in

I played with

When I was young in

we went to

When I was young in

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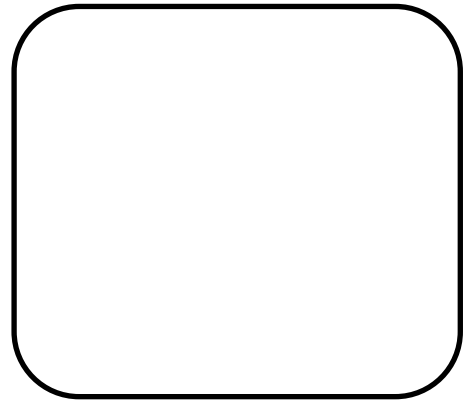
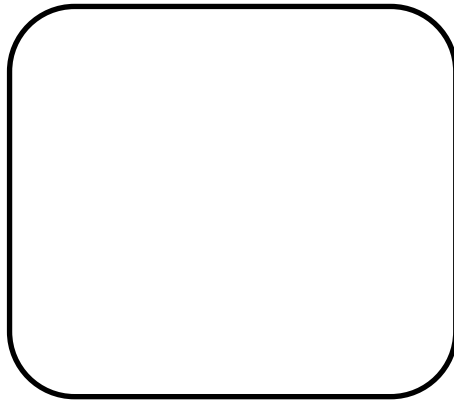
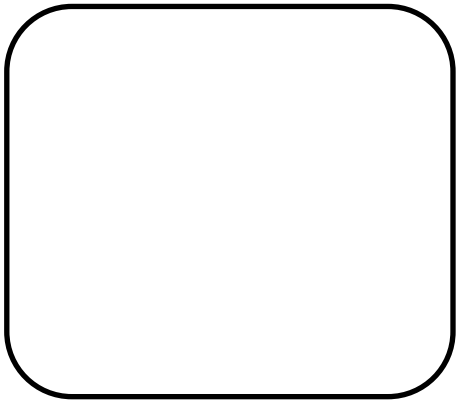
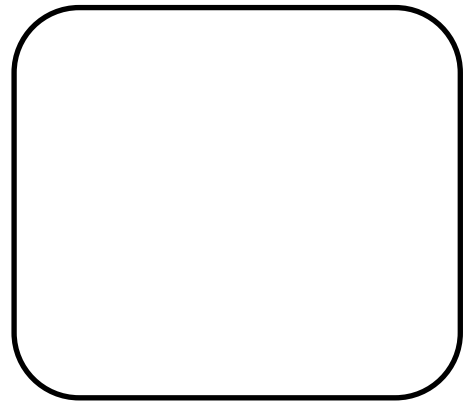
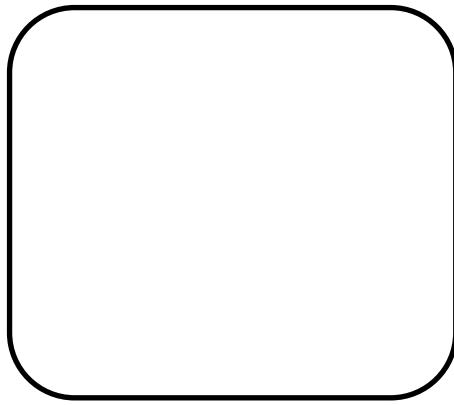
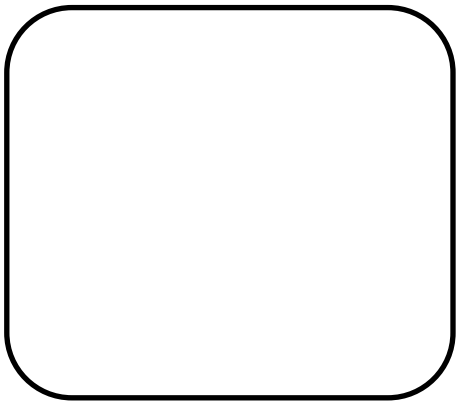


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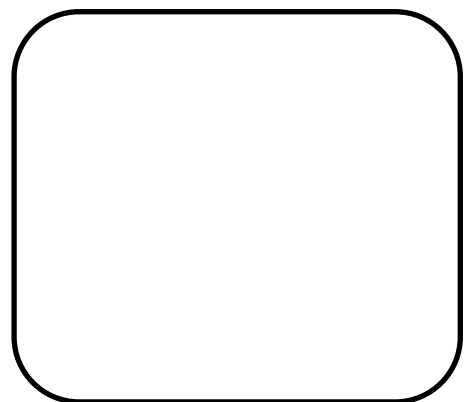
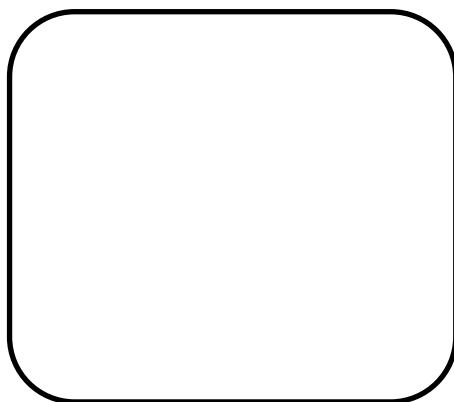
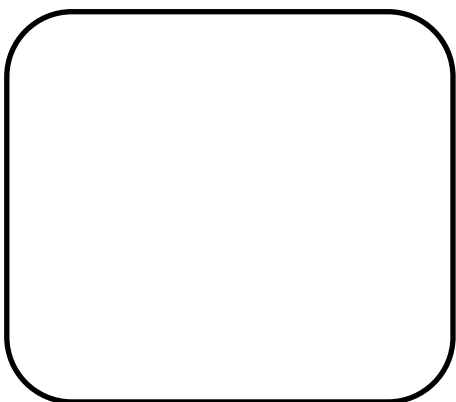
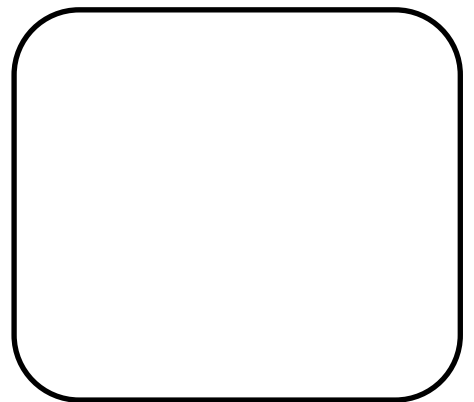
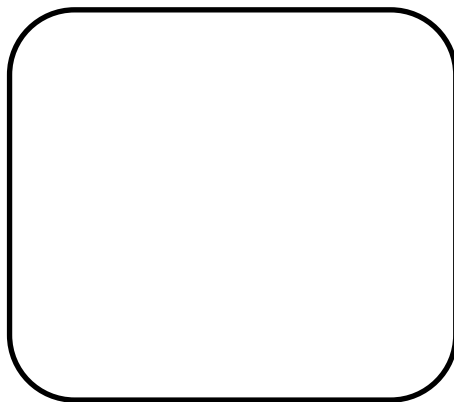
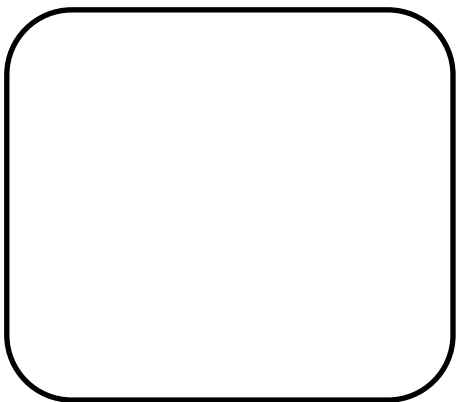
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Cynthia's Life in the Mountains



My Life in _____



Where Are the Appalachian Mountains?



The Appalachian Mountains run through Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama.

Find a map of the Appalachian Mountains and color them in on the map above.