



# Incoming 2017-20'8 Berkley Second Graders Summer Expectations

Reading: Complete a reading log to document all of the books you read this summer.

Remember that one chapter=one book on your book log.

-Pick one story from your log, and complete the story map.

We included an example of what a 2nd grade Reading test will be. Please go over this with your child this summer. These tests are given in a 90 minute period.

Writing: Complete the writing assignment about your favorite summer activity.

Science: Choose an animal and complete the animal report. You can use books or the internet to compile your information.

Math: Spend 20 minutes each day exploring the following websites and/or apps. Also, continue to practice your addition and subtraction facts, 0-20.

## Suggested websites:

[www.pbskids.com](http://www.pbskids.com)

[www.turtlediary.com](http://www.turtlediary.com)

[www.math-play.com](http://www.math-play.com)

[www.fuelthebrain.com](http://www.fuelthebrain.com)

[www.mrnussbaum.com](http://www.mrnussbaum.com)

## Suggested Apps: (iPad, iPhone or Tablets)

Splash math (2nd grade)

Kids Vocab

Math ninja

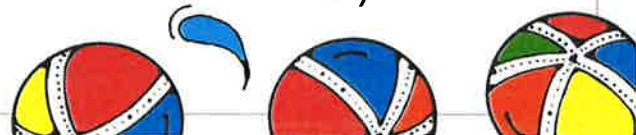
Teach me (2nd grade)

Spring Bird

Cimo spelling

The following items **MUST** be turned in to your child's 2nd grade teacher on **Thursday, Aug. 10**

- One Reading Log
- One Story Map
- Animal Report
- Writing about favorite summer activity.



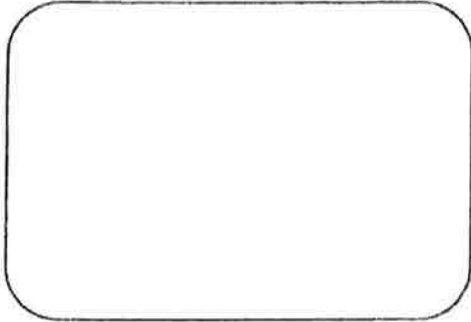


# Mapping Out My Story!

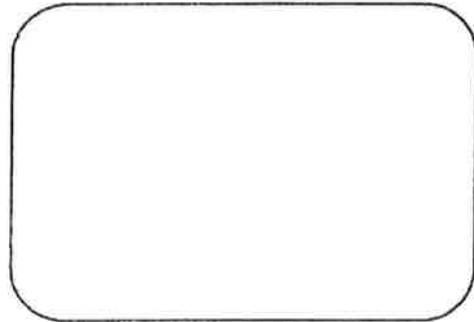
Use words and pictures to map out your story.

Be sure to label like in Writer's Workshop!

**Title**



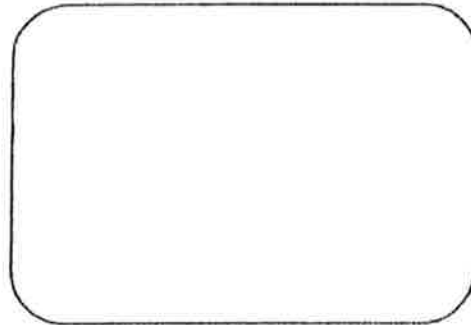
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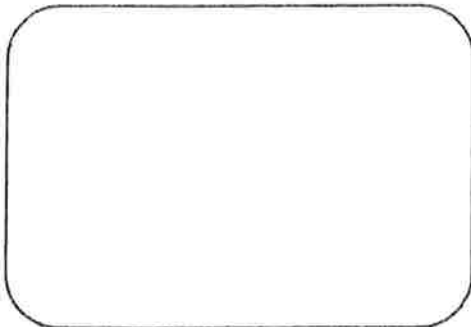
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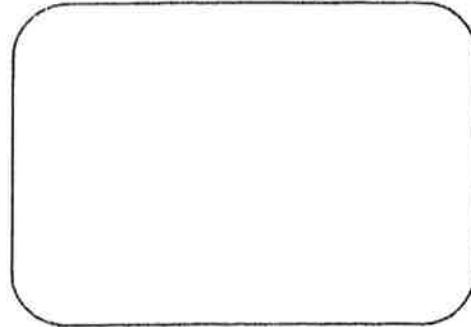
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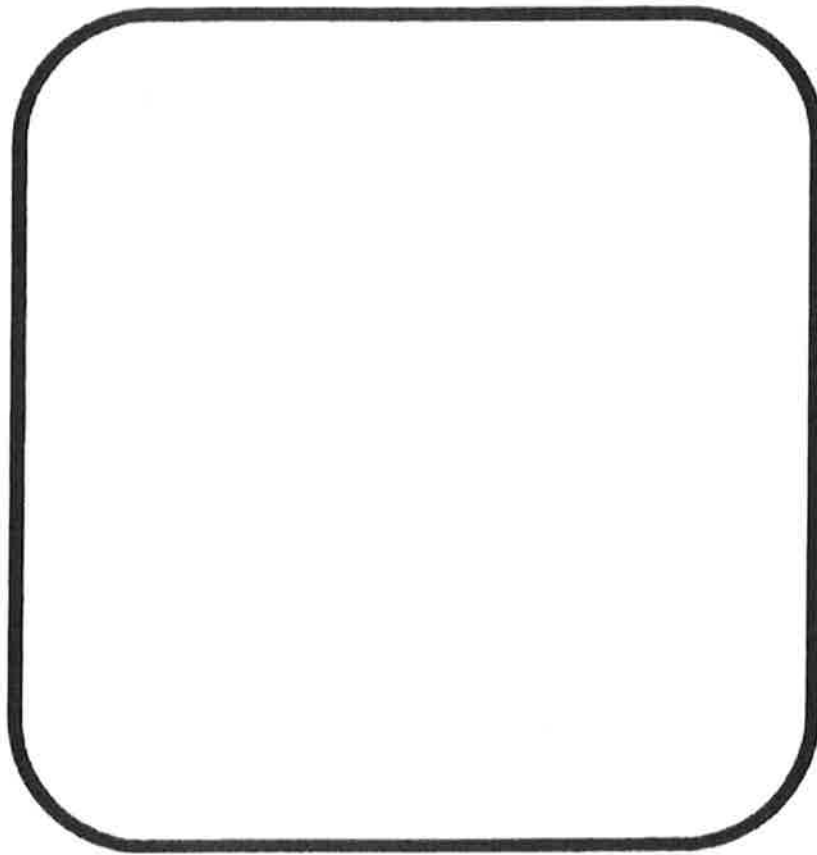
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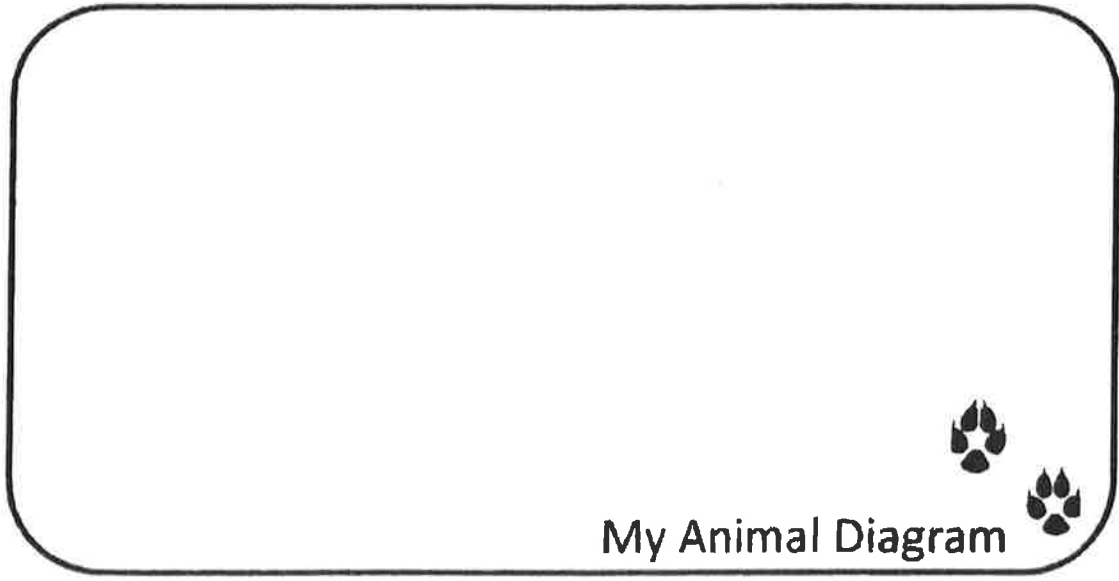
**Ending**



# My Favorite Animal Report



Created by \_\_\_\_\_



My Animal Diagram



My Favorite animal is \_\_\_\_\_

It's habitat is \_\_\_\_\_

It eats \_\_\_\_\_

It is covered with \_\_\_\_\_

It can be \_\_\_\_\_ inches tall.

It can weigh as much as \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.

My animal has babies called \_\_\_\_\_

It can protect itself by \_\_\_\_\_

I like \_\_\_\_\_ the best because

\_\_\_\_\_



# The BEST Summer Activity!

Let me tell you why my summer activity is the BESY!

\_\_\_\_\_ is the best summer activity

because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

It is better than \_\_\_\_\_ because

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

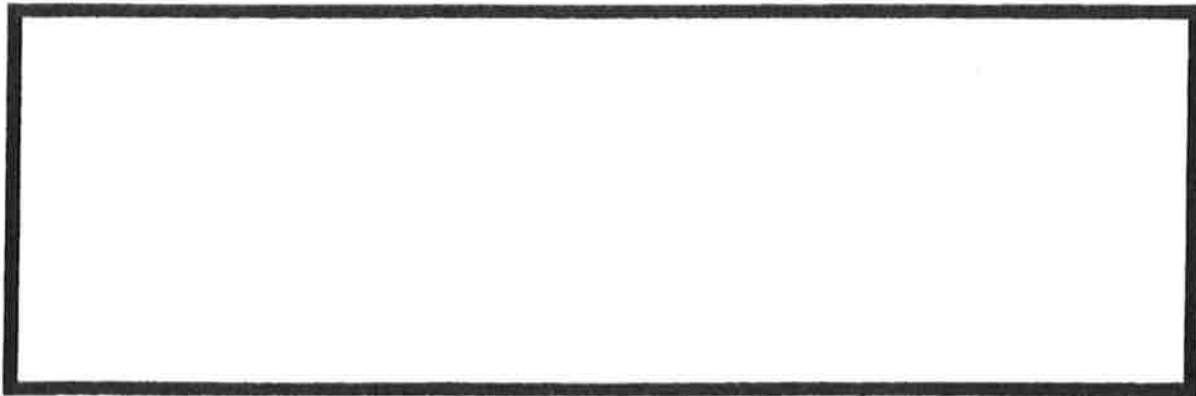
\_\_\_\_\_

You should try it out because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Check out me doing \_\_\_\_\_ below!



Read the passage "The Race" before answering Numbers 1 through 5.

## The Race

The animals gathered in the village for the Fourth of July picnic and race. This year Turtle was challenging Rabbit.

"You cannot mean it!" Rabbit said to Turtle. "You do not really think you can beat me! You are such a slowpoke. You are molasses!"

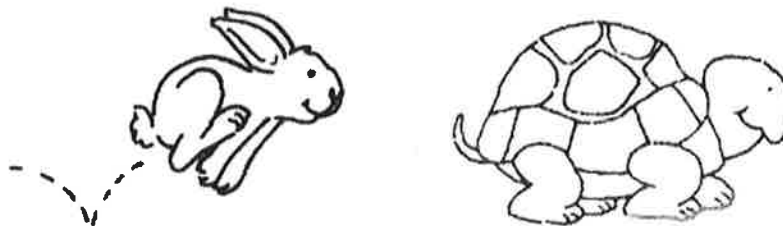
"What is molasses?" Frog asked Lizard.

"It is a thick syrup," Lizard said, "that pours out very slowly."

"Are you sure you want to do this?" Turtle's pal Snail asked. "Rabbit is lightning in a race."

"Rabbit's a bragger," Turtle said, "and I am tired of hearing him say how fast he is and how slow I am. I do not know how, but I will prove I can beat him."

After lunch, Duck called Turtle and Rabbit to the starting line. "Good luck to you both," Duck said before he waved a flag. The crowd cheered, and the race began. As usual, Rabbit bolted to a huge lead. Meanwhile, Turtle moved down the road, taking one slow, steady step at a time.



Halfway through the race, and far out of sight of Turtle, Rabbit yawned. He was feeling tired. "I will rest for a few minutes. Then I will get up and easily win the race," he thought. So, he climbed into a soft pile of hay and fell asleep.

A long while later, Turtle passed the spot where Rabbit slept. Turtle glanced at Rabbit and kept going. He kept going until the sun was a giant red ball low in the sky. He kept going until he crossed the finish line, where the crowd exploded into cheers of thunder.

It was that sound of thunder that woke Rabbit. He stretched his arms and legs. Then he sprinted down the road, sure that he would win.

Later that evening, a reporter for a local TV station provided details of the race.

"There has been an upset in this year's Fourth of July race," the reporter said with a smile. "Foolish Rabbit was so sure he would beat Turtle that he took a nap during the race. He slept for hours while Turtle kept going."

"As a result, Turtle won," the reporter said. "Rabbit could not believe his eyes when he reached the finish line and realized that Turtle had won. I believe that Turtle deserved to win. Let us hope that this finally puts a stop to Rabbit's bragging."



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Now answer Numbers 1 through 5. Base your answers on "The Race."

- 1 This question has two parts. First, answer part A. Then, answer part B.

**Part A:** Which sentence **best** explains what Rabbit thinks of racing Turtle?

- (A) He is afraid because Turtle is tricky.
- (B) He thinks it will be a good, fair race.
- (C) He thinks it is silly because Turtle cannot win.
- (D) He wants to beat Turtle because Turtle is a bragger.

**Part B:** Which sentence from the passage shows what Rabbit thinks?

- (A) This year Turtle was challenging Rabbit.
- (B) "You do not really think you can beat me!"
- (C) "I do not know how, but I will prove I can beat him."
- (D) As usual, Rabbit bolted to a huge lead.

- 2 Read the paragraph from the passage.

"Are you sure you want to do this?" Turtle's pal Snail asked. "Rabbit is lightning in a race."

What does the phrase "Rabbit is lightning" suggest about Rabbit?

- (A) He is fast.
- (B) He is angry.
- (C) He is smart.
- (D) He is strong.

- 3 Read the sentence from the passage.

He kept going until he crossed the finish line, where the crowd exploded into cheers of thunder.

What does the phrase “cheers of thunder” suggest?

- Ⓐ The crowd was up in the sky.
  - Ⓑ The crowd was far away.
  - Ⓒ The crowd was scary.
  - Ⓓ The crowd was loud.
- 4 Pick **two** things you would know if the passage were written from Turtle’s point of view.
- Ⓐ how Snail feels when he sees Turtle win
  - Ⓑ what Turtle thinks when he passes Rabbit
  - Ⓒ what the reporter thinks when Turtle wins
  - Ⓓ what Rabbit thinks when he finds out he lost
  - Ⓔ how Turtle feels when he crosses the finish line

- 5 Read the sentence.

**Slow and steady wins the race.**

Underline the sentence in the paragraphs that **best** supports the theme in the sentence above.

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Read the passage "A Skunk's Tale" before answering Numbers 6 through 10.

## A Skunk's Tale

Lily Skunk sat on the porch with her brother Puff as a colorful shower of red, yellow, and orange leaves rained down onto the lawn.

Just then, Ring Raccoon rode up on his bike. "Hi, Lily. Hi, Puff," he said. "Charlie Fox and I are going to welcome the Rabbit family to the neighborhood. Want to come along?"

"I do not think so," said Lily. "Remember when we welcomed Charlie's family? His mom screamed and slammed the door when she saw us."

"Charlie was not too friendly, either," Puff said. "For weeks, if I lifted my tail, he ran home."

Lily frowned. "We have never sprayed anyone in our lives, yet everyone except you and Charlie calls us Stinky and Phew! It is not fair."

Ring sighed and said, "Well, maybe the Rabbits are different."

Charlie Fox came up. "Hi, folks," he said in between bites of green grapes. Charlie always had food in his mouth. He was an eating machine.



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After Charlie and Ring left, Lily said, "Puff, we have to prove that skunks are good neighbors."

"How?" Puff asked.

"I do not know yet," Lily replied. "My thoughts are a pile of puzzle pieces, and I have to figure out how they fit together."

Now it so happened that some mean, hungry coyotes had gathered near the town. No one was brave enough to challenge the coyotes.

As Lily and Puff talked, a coyote appeared on a distant hill. Suddenly, Lily stood up. Her eyes were sparkling diamonds as she shouted, "I have it!"

At dawn the next morning, Lily and Puff followed their parents and grandparents to the edge of town, where they quietly surrounded the sleeping coyotes. When Lily's dad gave the signal, the skunks lifted their tails. Then Lily's dad called out, "Coyotes, wake up and leave now, or we will spray."

One of the younger coyotes sprang up and said boldly, "Go ahead and spray. A little skunk perfume does not scare us!"

An older and wiser coyote interrupted the young coyote's speech. "Wait a second," he said. "No need to spray for we will leave." And they did.

The news spread quickly, and the Skunks were heroes. No one ever called Lily or Puff a smelly name again!

Now answer Numbers 6 through 10. Base your answers on "A Skunk's Tale."

6 Read the sentence from the passage.

Lily Skunk sat on the porch with her brother Puff as a colorful shower of red, yellow, and orange leaves rained down onto the lawn.

What does this sentence explain?

- (A) It is raining outside.
- (B) Leaves are falling from the trees.
- (C) The wind is blowing leaves around.
- (D) Rain is making the leaves wet in the grass.

7 Read the sentences from the passage.

Suddenly, Lily stood up. Her eyes were sparkling diamonds as she shouted, "I have it!"

Why does the author say that Lily's eyes "were sparkling diamonds"?

- (A) to show that Lily sees diamonds
- (B) to show that Lily can see clearly
- (C) to show that Lily is wearing jewelry
- (D) to show that Lily is excited about her idea

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- 8 Which sentence **best** explains why Lily frowns in the passage?
- (A) She is playing a game with Puff.
  - (B) She does not want to talk to Ring.
  - (C) She thinks that her neighbors treat her unfairly.
  - (D) She is worried about the coyotes that have arrived.

- 9 Read the sentences from the passage.

One of the younger coyotes sprang up and said boldly, "Go ahead and spray. A little skunk perfume does not scare us!"

Why **most likely** does the coyote say this? Pick **two** choices.

- (A) He is very confused.
- (B) He is trying to be funny.
- (C) He is trying to sound brave.
- (D) He has never been sprayed by a skunk.
- (E) He thinks skunk spray has a nice smell.

- 10 Complete the chart below to show what the neighbors think of the Skunk family at the beginning of the passage and at the end. Choose the correct sentences from the list and write them in the chart. Not all sentences will be used.

	Point of View of the Neighbors
Beginning	
End	

**Point of Views:**  
 They think the Skunks do not like them.  
 They think the Skunks are heroes.  
 They are afraid of the Skunks.







Question	Correct Answer	Content Focus	LAFS	Complexity
1A	C	Point of View	LAFS.2.RL.2.6	Level 2
1B	B	Point of View/Text Evidence	LAFS.2.RL.2.6/ LAFS.2.RL.1.1	Level 2
2	A	Metaphors	LAFS.2.L.3.6	Level 1
3	D	Metaphors	LAFS.2.L.3.6	Level 1
4	B, E	Point of View	LAFS.2.RL.2.6	Level 2
5	see below	Theme	LAFS.2.RL.1.2	Level 3
6	B	Metaphors	LAFS.2.L.3.6	Level 1
7	D	Metaphors	LAFS.2.L.3.6	Level 1
8	C	Point of View	LAFS.2.RL.2.6	Level 2
9	C, D	Point of View	LAFS.2.RL.2.6	Level 2
10	see below	Point of View	LAFS.2.RL.2.6	Level 2
11	see below	Writing About Text	LAFS.2.W.3.8	Level 3

Comprehension 1A, 1B, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10	/12	%
Vocabulary 2, 3, 6, 7	/8	%
<b>Total Weekly Assessment Score</b>	<b>/20</b>	<b>%</b>

- 5 Students should underline the following sentence in the paragraphs:
  - “He slept for hours while Turtle kept going.”
- 10 Students should complete the chart with the following points of view:
  - Beginning—They are afraid of the Skunks.
  - End—They think the Skunks are heroes.
- 11 To receive full credit for the response, the following information should be included: Both Turtle and Lily feel bad that others make fun of them. Both have confidence in themselves. Turtle is tired of being called slow by Rabbit. He is also tired of Rabbit’s bragging. Turtle wants to prove that even though he is slow, he can beat Rabbit. Lily is tired of having neighbors scream, slam doors, and call her and Puff mean names. She wants to prove that she and her family are good neighbors who do not spray unless they are threatened.