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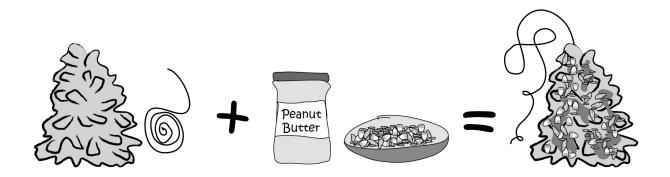
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Dear Mom and Dad,

- [1] I have been at Grandpa's for a few weeks now. I am having so much fun on his farm. We do something fun everyday.
- [2] I have found so many <u>treasures</u> all over the farm. Last night I looked at everything I have collected. Oops! Grandpa said I shouldn't tell you that we stayed up past bedtime. Well, Grandpa said we had to take some of my finds and give them back to nature. I was so <u>upset</u> about this that I almost cried. Then he told me that we could feed our feathered friends.
- [3] I want to tell you what we made. I found so many pinecones.

 Grandpa had lots of yarn in a closet. We decided to make a bird feeder for the birds this winter.
- [4] First, I put everything on the table. I got all the biggest pinecones, the yarn, peanut butter, and some bird seed. I will tell you about the peanut butter in a minute. Mom, I want

you to be able to make this, so I will write out the steps for you.



How to Make a Bird Feeder

[5] Step 1: Take a large pinecone. Cut about 10 inches of yarn. Tie the yarn around the top of the pine cone. Be sure to make it very tight.

[6] Step 2: Use a knife to spread peanut butter all over the pinecone. Mom, it was not a sharp knife.

[7] Step 3: Next, pour the bird seed into a small bowl. You must roll the pinecone around in the seeds. This is a little messy.

[8] Step 4: Now you are ready to hang the pinecone in a tree. We had to find a strong branch. The branch had to hold the pinecone and a few birds. Remember the tree that you climbed when you were a little girl? We hung our bird feeder right on your favorite climbing branch.

[9] Mom, it is so much fun watching the birds eat their snacks. It did take a few days for them to find the feeder. Now I have to check our feeder everyday. Some days Grandpa and I must refill the pinecones with peanut butter and birdseed.

[10] Well, it is time for me to help Grandpa get the eggs from those silly chickens. That is another story that I will write about to you soon. I do miss you both. Be sure to send me a letter, too.

Love,

Andrew

- What is the purpose of this letter?
 - A to inform the reader about growing food on a farm
 - **B** to entertain the reader with a funny story
 - **C** to tell about Andrew's visit with Grandpa
- 2 How does Andrew feel about his **treasures**?
 - **A** He only collects new pinecones.
 - **B** He is always making new things from nature.
 - **C** He likes to keep all the things that he finds.
- **3** Why did the illustrator include the pictures above Paragraph 5?
 - **A** to show the materials you need and what the final product will look like
 - **B** to show what will happen if you don't follow directions
 - **C** to show how to work a math problem
- **4** Where would you find information about putting the seeds on the pinecone?
 - A Step 4
 - **B** Step 3
 - C Step 1

- **5** What are Paragraphs 5, 6, 7, and 8 mainly about?
 - **A** Andrew is having a good time with Grandpa.
 - **B** There are treasures to collect on Grandpa's farm.
 - **C** They tell how to make a pinecone feeder.
- **6** If you wanted to look up the meaning of the word **messy** in the dictionary, where would you find it?
 - A between main and mean
 - **B** between *mean* and *mill*
 - **C** between *mill* and *more*
- **7** Which word means the opposite of the word *messy* in Paragraph 7?
 - **A** dirty
 - **B** ugly
 - **C** neat
- **8** Read Paragraph 8. Why do you need to find a strong branch?
 - A so you can climb out on it with your bird feeder
 - **B** so it will hold your bird feeder and a few birds
 - **C** so you can find your favorite branch

- **9** In Paragraph 9, what does the word **refill** mean you should do?
 - **A** put some peanut butter and birdseed in again
 - **B** tie more yarn to the bird feeder
 - **C** pull in your feeder to check it

Due to the length of this test, it is best to do the following convention's section at a separate time.

- **10** Which of the following is the correct way to start the greeting of a letter?
 - **A** dear mary,
 - **B** Dear mary,
 - C Dear Mary,

11	Using correct end punctuation, write a declarative sentence of your own about bi Then, write an interrogative sentence about birds.	
12	Read the sentences below. Find one word in each sentence that is misspelled.	
	a. The litel boy goes home after school.	
	b. The cat is sitting buy the house.	
	c. Can you cume to play with me?	
	Write the correct spelling for each misspelled word on the lines below.	
	a.	
	b.	
	C.	