

ay Word Family List

bay

may

stay

bray

nay

stray

clay

pay

sway

day

play

tray

gray

pray

way

hay*

ray

lay

say



Cloze the Gap: ay

Read the following sentences, saying the word "clay" when you come to a blank space. Use words from the ay family to fill in the blanks and make sense. Reread your sentences to double check your choices!

1. When I was in kindergarten, I got to play with _____.
2. His dog knows how to sit and how to _____.
3. My big sister uses too much hair _____.
4. What game do you want to _____ after school?
5. Don't forget to take your lunch _____ back to the cafeteria.
6. You can get stung by a _____ at the beach.
7. It's fun to jump in the pile of _____ at the farm.
8. Some people drive too fast on the _____.
9. What _____ is it today?
10. Christmas is my favorite _____.
11. Our airplane sat in line on the _____.

Word Bank

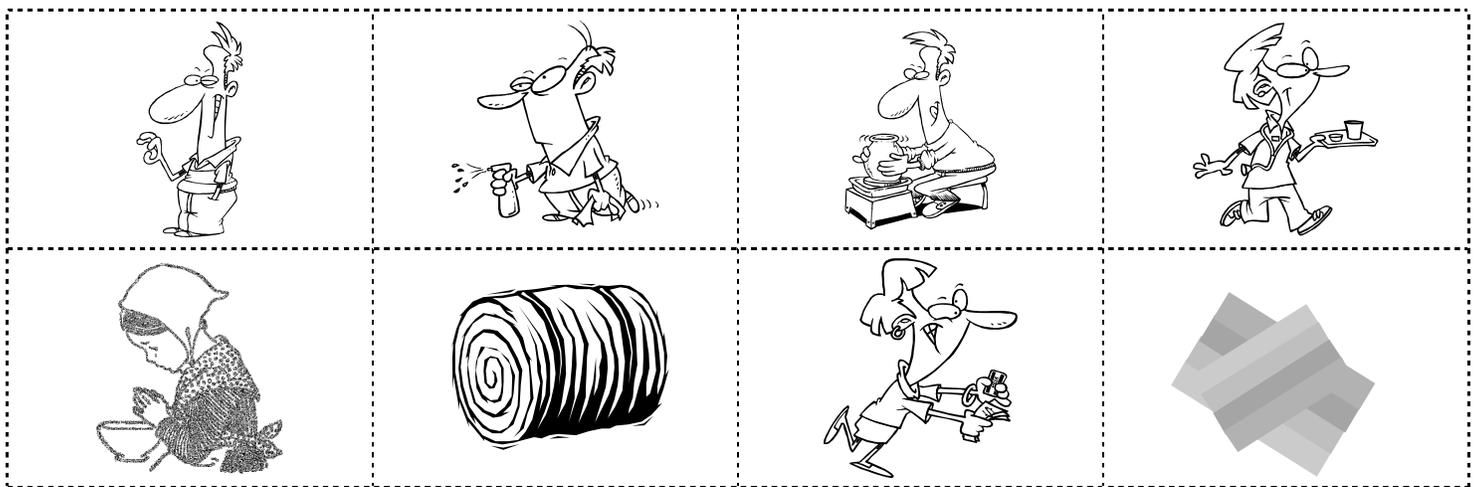
stay clay holiday tray hay runway
day spray freeway play stingray

Name _____

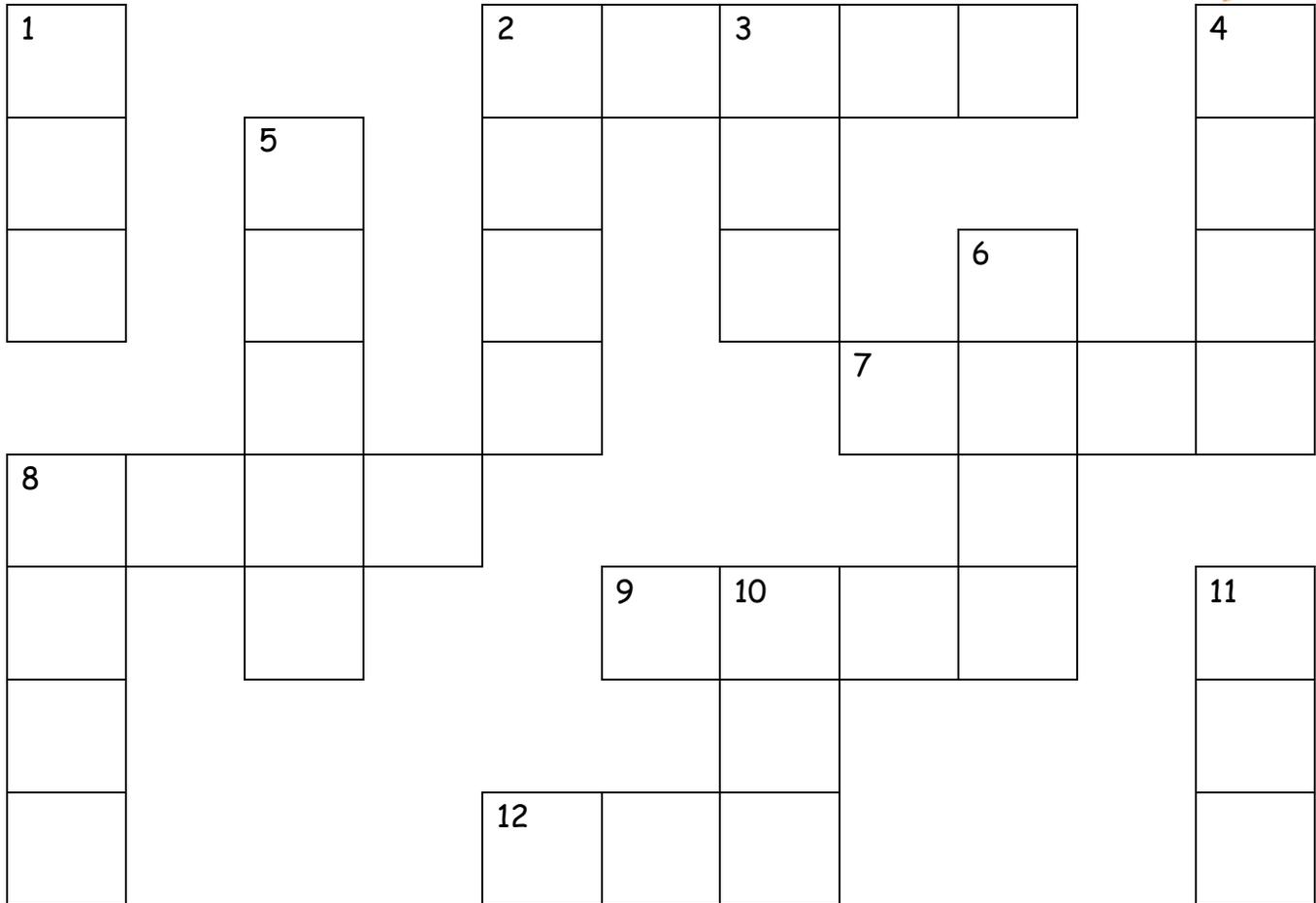


Cut and Paste: ay

okay		clay	
gray		hay	
tray		pay	
pray		spray	



Crossword Puzzle: ay



Across

2. shower or squirt water or mist
7. color made from black and white
8. something we do for fun
9. to move back and forth
12. a spring month

Down

1. to give money to buy something
2. a command for a dog
3. a beam of sunlight
4. soil used for making pottery
5. a lost or homeless dog or cat
6. Waiters carry food on one.
8. a homophone for *prey*.
10. This is the ___ we go to work.
11. to place or put something down

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tray	clay	play	stray	pray	spray	ray

Definition Derby: ay



Read each -ay family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

Word		Sentence	Definition
1. bay	d	<i>We like to see the song called, "Down By the Bay."</i>	a. opposite of <i>night</i>
2. bray			b. might or perhaps will; fifth month
3. clay			c. dried grasses fed to farm animals
4. day			d. part of an ocean or lake that is partly surrounded by land
5. gray			e. to give money for something
6. hay			f. to squirt or apply a mist
7. may			g. have fun; a theater performance
8. pay			h. the sound of a donkey
9. play			i. earth baked and dried to make pottery and bricks
10. say			j. remain in one place; opposite of <i>go</i>
11. spray			k. to speak or pronounce words
12. stay			l. color made by mixing black and white