

1. Color in a square when you complete the activity.
2. See a staff member at IVPL to receive a raffle ticket or a token for the book vending machine for every row you complete.

Staff Initials: _____	<b>BASIC LITERACY</b>	READ OR WRITE 15 MINUTES A DAY FOR A WEEK	<b>EXPLORE LIBBY</b>	<b>LISTEN TO AN AUDIOBOOK</b>	READ A BOOK OR GRAPHIC NOVEL FROM RECOMMENDATION BINDER IN THE YA ROOM
Staff Initials: _____	<b>CIVIC AND SOCIAL LITERACY</b>	ATTEND A LIBRARY EVENT/ WATCH A LIBRARY RECORDING	ATTEND A LIBRARY EVENT/ WATCH A LIBRARY RECORDING	PLAY A GAME WITH SOMEONE (ONLINE OR IN PERSON)	FIND OUT THE NAME OF YOUR TOWN'S MAYOR
Staff Initials: _____	<b>FINANCIAL LITERACY</b>	FIND THE BUSINESS & ECONOMICS SECTION IN THE NON-FICTION ROOM	EXPLORE THE WEBSITE: <a href="http://BLS.GOV/K12/STUDENTS/">BLS.GOV/K12/STUDENTS/</a>	LEARN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A VOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND A COLLEGE	<b>PLAN A STAYCATION</b> <i>(see worksheet)</i>
Staff Initials: _____	<b>HEALTH LITERACY</b>	KEEP YOUR SCREENS OFF FOR HALF OF A DAY	SPEND 30 MINUTES OUTDOORS	PREPARE A HEALTHY SNACK	FIND THE EXERCISE OR SPORTS SECTION IN THE NON-FICTION ROOM
Staff Initials: _____	<b>INFORMATION LITERACY</b>	<b>WATCH A HOW-TO VIDEO</b>	EXPLORE ONE ERESOURCE FROM <a href="http://IVPL.ORG">IVPL.ORG</a>	USE IVPL'S ONLINE CATALOG TO FIND AN ITEM	<b>FACT CHECK A NEWS STORY</b> <i>(see worksheet)</i>



# READING & WRITING LOG



Color in one circle for every 15 minutes you spend reading or writing.  
Receive a raffle ticket or a token for the book vending machine for every row you complete.

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Wednesday, August 31 is the final day to enter the raffle drawing and collect tokens.  
Winners of the raffle will be informed the following week.

Guided Research Worksheet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# How to Identify Fake News in 10 Steps

Beware fake or misleading news.  
Be skeptical. Ask Questions.  
Verify.  
It's up to you.



Select "Yes" or "No" to the following questions. The more thumbs-down icons you select, the more likely the news article is fake.

## 1. Do a Visual Assessment

Assess the overall design. Fake news sites often look amateurish, have lots of annoying ads, and use altered or stolen images.

**Overall, does the news article and website seem high quality?**

Yes  No

## 2. Identify the News Outlet

The Wall Street Journal and CNN are examples of news outlets. If you haven't heard of the news outlet, search online for more information.

**Is the news outlet well known, well respected, and trustworthy?**

Yes  No

## 3. Check the Web Domain

Many fake news URLs look odd or end with ".com.co" or ".lo" (e.g., abcnews.com.co) to mimic legitimate news sites.

**Does the URL seem legitimate?**

Yes  No

## 4. Check the "About Us" Section

Trustworthy news outlets usually include detailed background information, policy statements, and email contacts in the "About/About Us" section.

**Does the site provide detailed background information and contacts?**

Yes  No

## 5. Identify the Author

Fake news articles often don't include author names. If included, search the author's name online to see if he or she is well known and respected.

**Does the article have a trusted author?**

Yes  No

## 6. Identify the Central Message

Read the article carefully. Fake news articles often push one viewpoint, have an angry tone, or make outrageous claims.

**Does the article seem fair, balanced, and reasonable?**

Yes  No

## 7. Assess Spelling, Grammar, and Punctuation

If the article has misspelled words, words in ALL CAPS, poor grammar, or lots of "!!!!," it's probably unreliable.

**Does the article have proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation?**

Yes  No

## 8. Analyze Sources and Quotes

Consider the article's sources and who is quoted. Fake news articles often cite anonymous sources, unreliable sources, or no sources at all.

**Does the article include and identify reliable sources?**

Yes  No

## 9. Find Other Articles

Search the internet for more articles on the same topic. If you can't find any, chances are the story is fake.

**Are there multiple articles by other news outlets on this topic?**

Yes  No

## 10. Turn to Fact Checkers

FactCheck.org, Snopes.com, PolitiFact.com are widely trusted fact-checking websites.

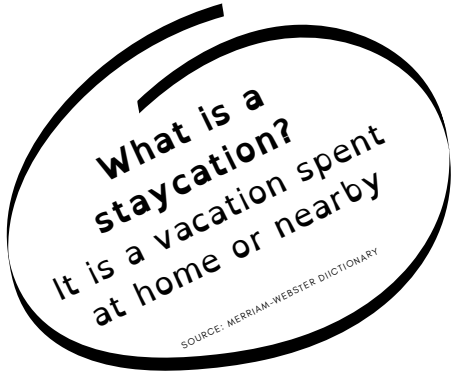
**Do the fact checkers say the news story is true?**

Yes  No



Based on your research, do you think the article is more likely to be true or false? Explain.

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## You have \$300 to plan a staycation for your family.

**Transportation:**\_\_\_\_\_

Are you driving? How much will you budget for gas? Taking a bus or train? How much will tickets cost?

**Lodgings:**\_\_\_\_\_

Are you staying at home, renting a place, or camping? How many nights will you be away?

**Food:**\_\_\_\_\_ Are you dining out or cooking? Are you able to bring food with you? How much will the ingredients cost?

**Activities:**\_\_\_\_\_ What activities will you be doing? Are there any free activities or community events you can attend? What can you use from IVPL's collection to help you with your planning (museum passes, toys, and games)?

**Total:**\_\_\_\_\_

# CODE MORSE

## MORSE CODE

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Source: <https://www.magneticmemorymethod.com/morse-code-mnemonics/>

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 9: DAH-DAH-DAH-DAH-DIT  
 0: DAH-DAH-DAH-DAH-DAH

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<http://www.learnmorsecode.info/2010/12/a-cool-new-way-to-learn-morse-code/>



Complete the following activity to receive one raffle ticket or token.

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# Morse Code Message

Samuel Morse invented Morse Code -- a series of dots and dashes that represent different letters and numbers. Place the correct letter above each code below to discover 4 secret words!

Use Morse Code to write secret notes to your friends!

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Complete the following activity to receive one raffle ticket or token.

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# How many words can you make from **COLLABORATIVE?**

**What does collaborative mean?**  
 To work jointly with others or together, especially in an intellectual endeavor.

SOURCE: MERRIAM-WEBSTER DICTIONARY

Using each letter once, see how many different words you can make out of "collaborative." Write down as many words as you can on the lines below.

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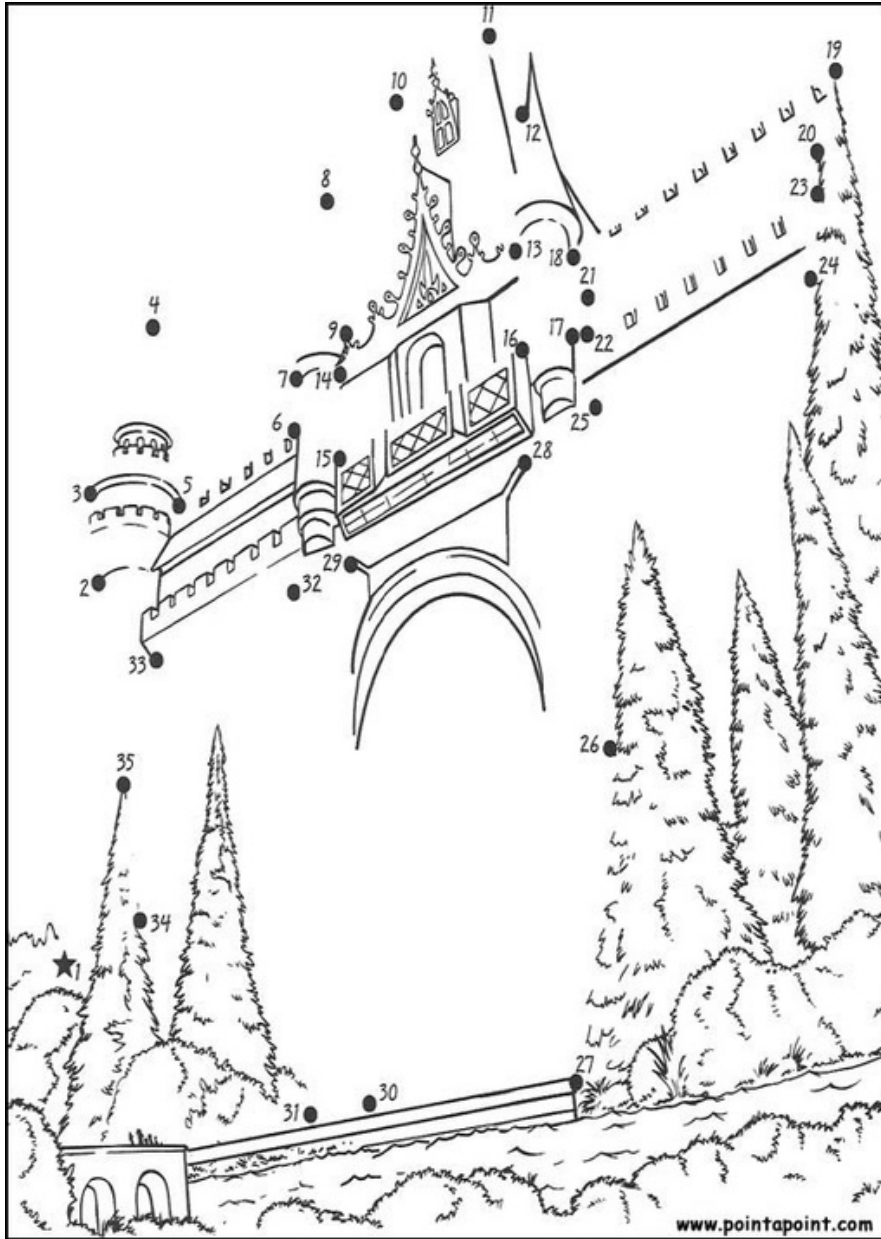
# Dot-to-Dot Puzzle

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BASIC LITERACY

PA FORWARD. PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARIES



Solve the dot-to-dot puzzle, then write a story inspired by the picture.

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First complete the 7-letter word at the top of each diagram. Then use the last two letters of the first word as the first two letters of the second word.

Need a hint?

Here are definitions.

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talent, skill, or proficiency in a particular area.

□ □ P H O □ □

a tropical storm in the region of the Indian or western Pacific oceans.

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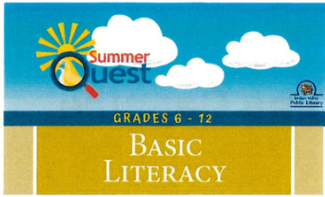
involving an amount of effort and difficulty

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show or guide (someone) somewhere.

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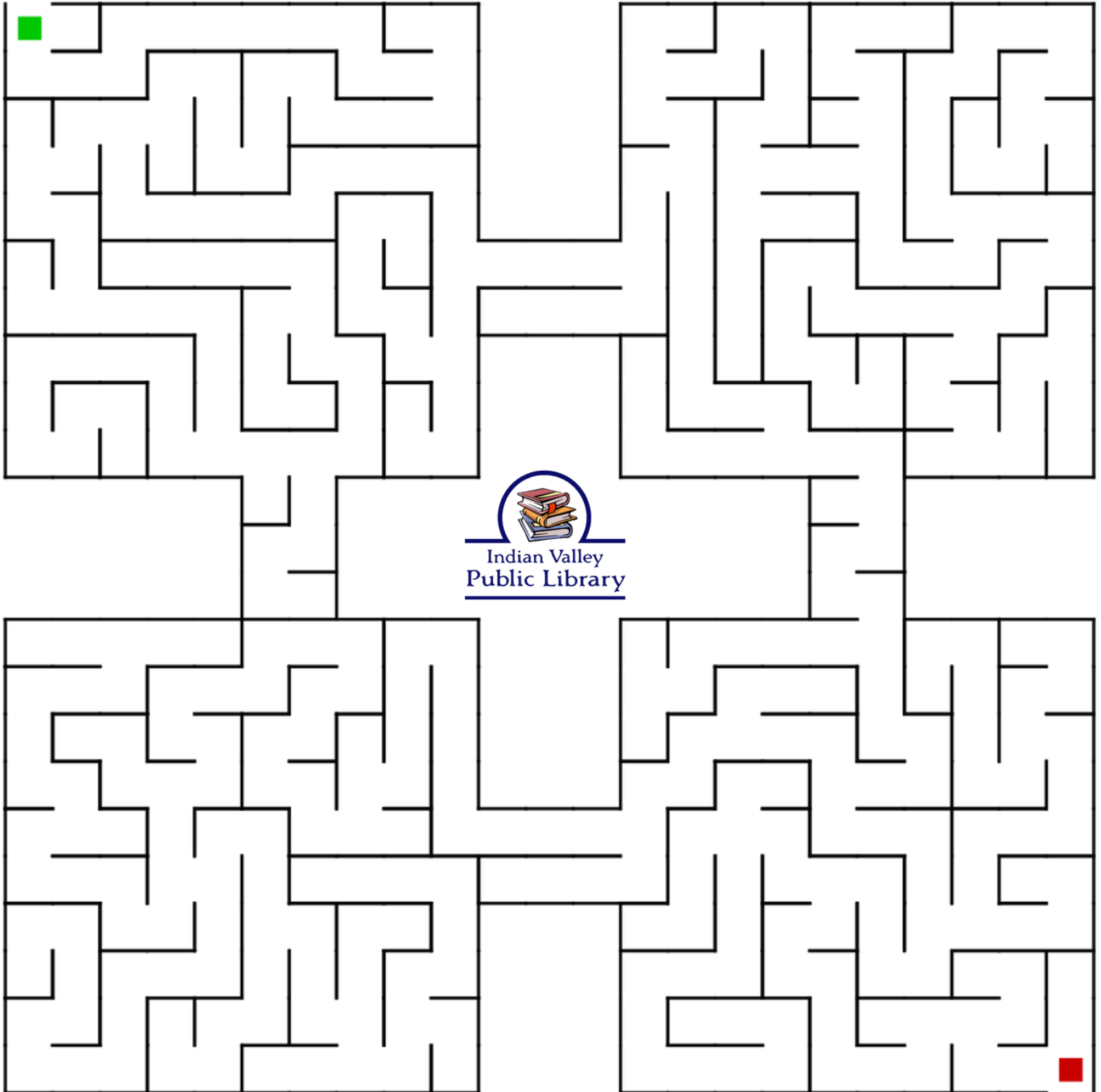
give intellectual, moral, and social instruction



Complete the following activity to receive one raffle ticket or token.

Staff initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the maze to escape the library.



Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Benjamin Franklin Word Search



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 S P G B I F O C A L S G L A S S E S Z O R F  
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 LIGHTNING ROD  
 HUMORIST  
 ABIAH  
 DIPLOMAT  
 HARVARD

FOUNDING FATHER  
 WRITER  
 STATESMAN  
 DECLARATION  
 PENNSYLVANIA  
 JOSIAH

POLITICIAN  
 PRINTER  
 GOVERNOR  
 CONSTITUTION  
 INVENTOR  
 POSTMASTER

MASSACHUSETTS  
 ELECTRICITY  
 BIFOCALS GLASSES  
 AMERICAN  
 DEBORAH  
 INDEPENDENCE

Complete the following activity to receive ten raffle tickets and/or tokens.

Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

HEALTH  
LITERACY

Color in one section of the tracker for each hour you spend outside.



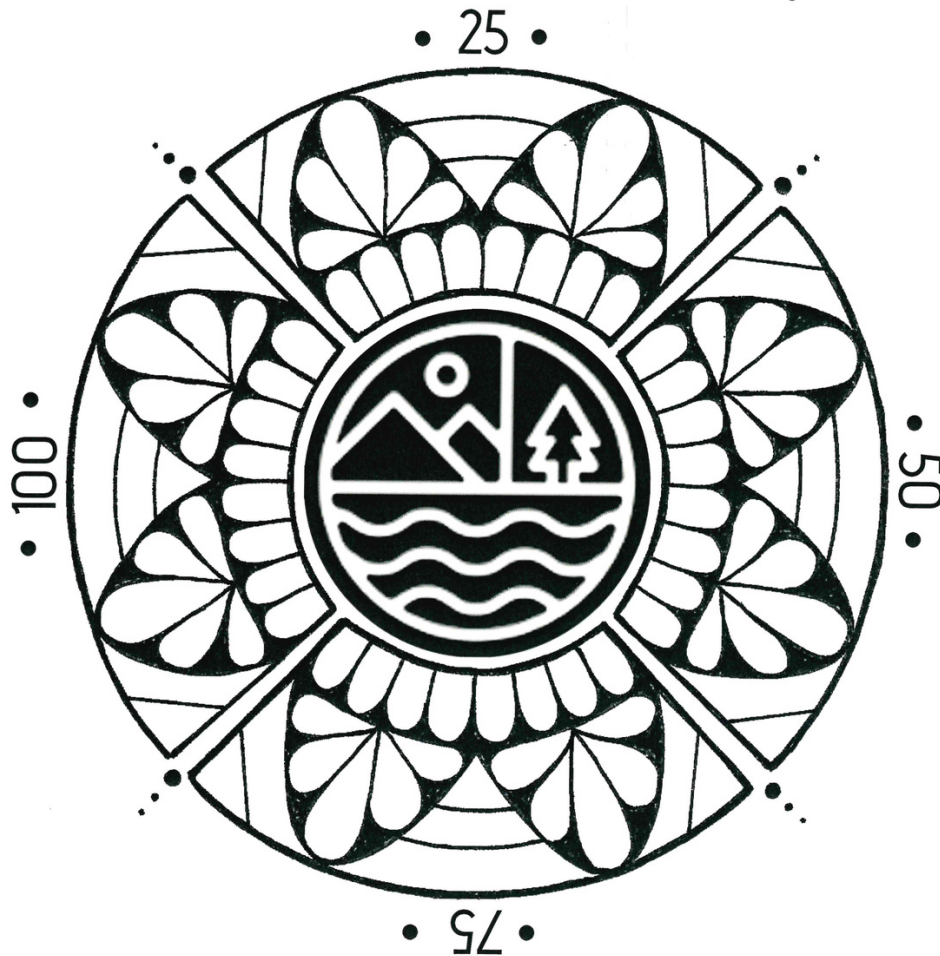
1000 HOURS  
OUTSIDE™



FIRST 100

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“A journey of a thousand miles  
starts with a single *step.*”  
- Confucius



My best outdoor adventure:

Start date: .....

"1000 Hours Outside is a global movement designed for any age child (or adult) and any environment. Join the journey and watch your life transform before your eyes. Nature holds tremendous power for each and every one of us at any age or stage."

Source: <https://www.1000hoursoutside.com/about-us>