

Words

A Listen and read the words. Listen again and say the words.  1:09



kick



tag



skip



bounce



drop



plain



lake



canyon



cliff



stream

B Write the words in the correct boxes.

Kind of Land	Kind of Water	A Verb
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

C Do you have a favorite game? Tell your partner.

Before You Read



Think Answer the questions.

- 1 What games can you play with a ball?
- 2 What traditional games do you play in your country?
- 3 What games do you like to play with your whole family?



Learn Main Idea

The **main idea** of a reading tells us what the reading is about. The main idea is usually in the first sentence of a paragraph.

Read each text. Underline the main idea in each.

1

Jumping rope is fun! One person can jump alone with a short rope. If you have a long rope, two people can swing the rope, and one person can jump inside. If the rope is even longer, more people can jump together!

2

Swimming is very good for you. That's why Nicole likes to do it. She swims with her team every Saturday. She likes to race the other people. Swimming will keep her strong. It's fun, too!

3

Wendy likes her tennis lessons. They are very close to her house, so she can walk there from home. Wendy's tennis instructor, Miss Taylor, is very kind and helpful. Wendy loves to practice with her friends.

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Words in Context Scan the story on pages 18–19 and circle these words. As you read, try to guess what they mean.

boa constrictor toss landing balance

F

Answer the question before you read.

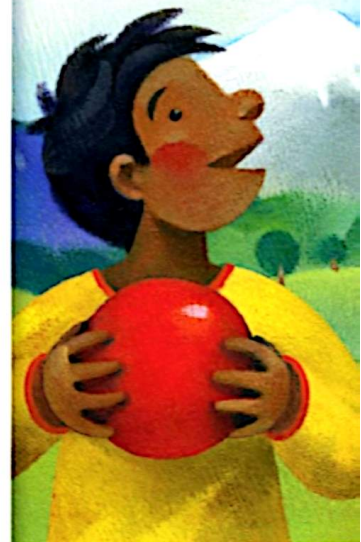
Why are games often more fun when you play with other people?

The Red Rubber Ball

In this *story*, a boy's red rubber ball travels around the world. We learn about having fun in different countries. As you read, remember to look for the main ideas.



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Words

A Look at the clues. Complete the crossword.

tag skip bounce plain lake canyon cliff stream

Across →

2



3



4



6



Down ↓

1



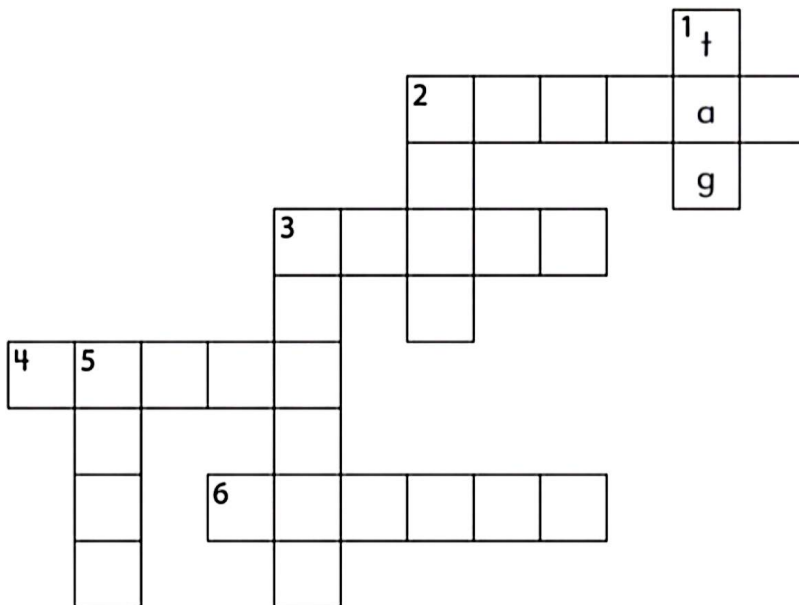
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B Circle the correct words.

1



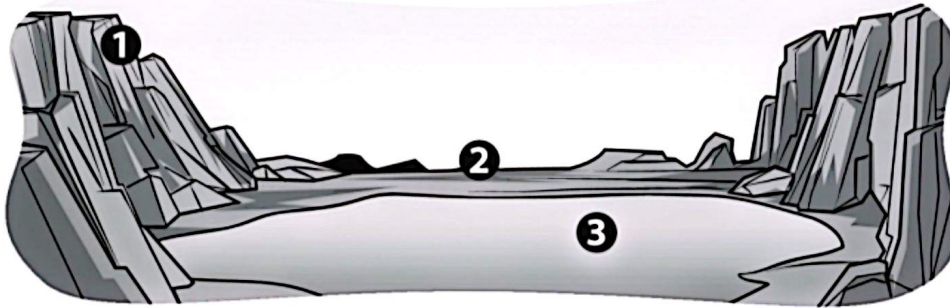
When you play
jacks, you **drop** /
tag the ball.

2



When you play soccer,
you **bounce** / **kick** the
ball to make a goal.

C Look and label.



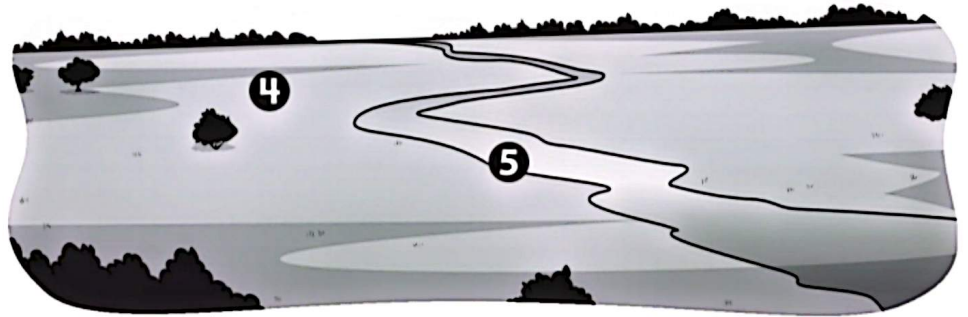
1 _____ canyon _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____



D Look and write.

kick drops bounce skip



1 She uses her hand to _____ bounce _____ the ball on the ground.



2 He's a good player, but sometimes he _____ the ball.



3 He loves to walk and _____ a ball at the same time.



4 The two friends learned to _____ when they were little.