

Read On!

An activity kit for



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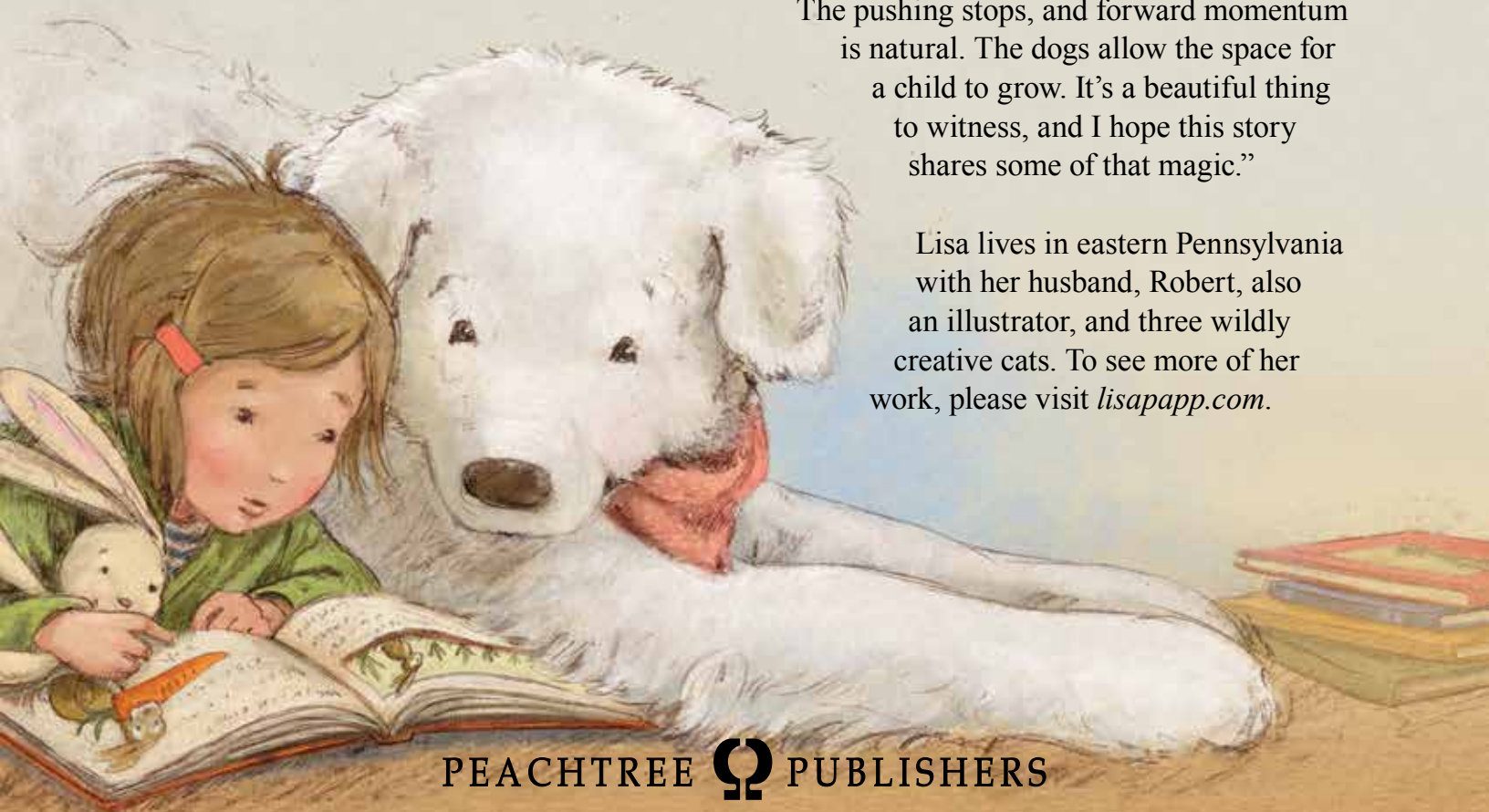
Young Madeline Finn is a struggling reader who wants nothing more than a gold star—the glimmering reward for reading well at school. But after a week of slow progress, she fears her wish may not come true. That is, until she meets Bonnie, a dog at her local library’s “Read-to-Dogs” program. Bonnie is a good listener. She doesn’t laugh when Madeline Finn reads slow, or gets stuck on a word. Sometimes a good friend makes all the difference, even when they have paws! And just maybe that star isn’t out of reach after all.

About Lisa Papp

Lisa Papp first discovered the “Read-to-Dogs” program at her local library. She says, “I was so inspired by these wonderful therapy dogs and the children they connected with. The dogs offer pure unconditional love. No strings attached. And when the children sense that, their fears drop away.

The pushing stops, and forward momentum is natural. The dogs allow the space for a child to grow. It’s a beautiful thing to witness, and I hope this story shares some of that magic.”

Lisa lives in eastern Pennsylvania with her husband, Robert, also an illustrator, and three wildly creative cats. To see more of her work, please visit lisapapp.com.





About Therapy Dogs

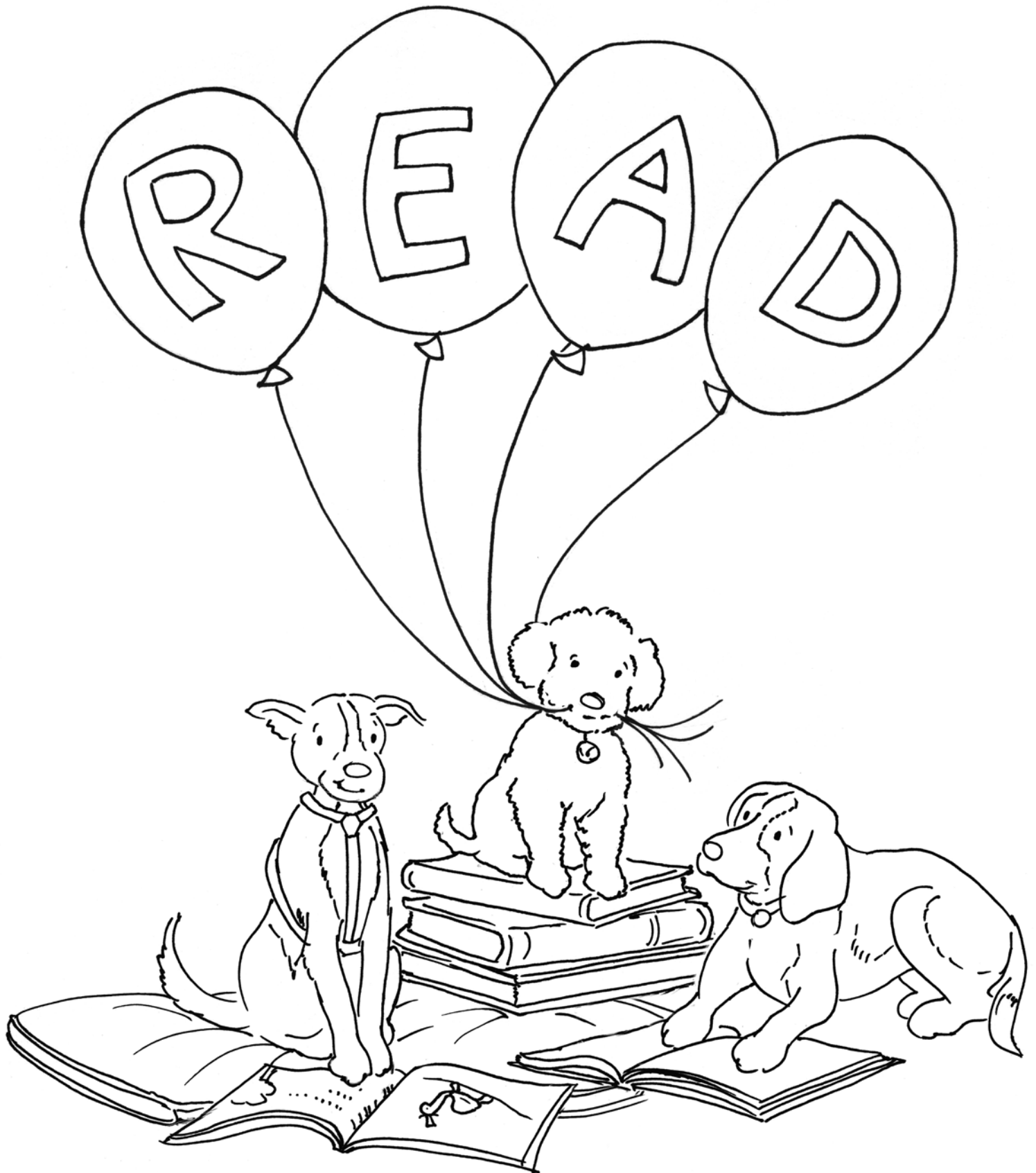
Therapy dogs are trained to offer support and comfort to people in hospitals, nursing homes, schools, and even disaster areas. Recently, therapy dogs have visited airports to help nervous passengers remain calm.

These dogs have to pass a special certification to earn their badge as a therapy dog. First and foremost, the dogs must be friendly and comfortable around people. They must be relaxed in unusual environments, such as a check-in desk at a hospital, or a room at a library. The dogs work closely with their handlers, and together make a dedicated team. The dogs must remain calm amidst a sudden noise—such as a nurse dropping something, or a library cart being wheeled past,—and should enjoy sitting peacefully among children, and allow others to pet them. Therapy dogs must also be content around other dogs as they are often working in groups.

Why not see if a therapy dog can visit your school or library? To learn more, visit TherapyDogInfo.net.



Color in the library dogs!



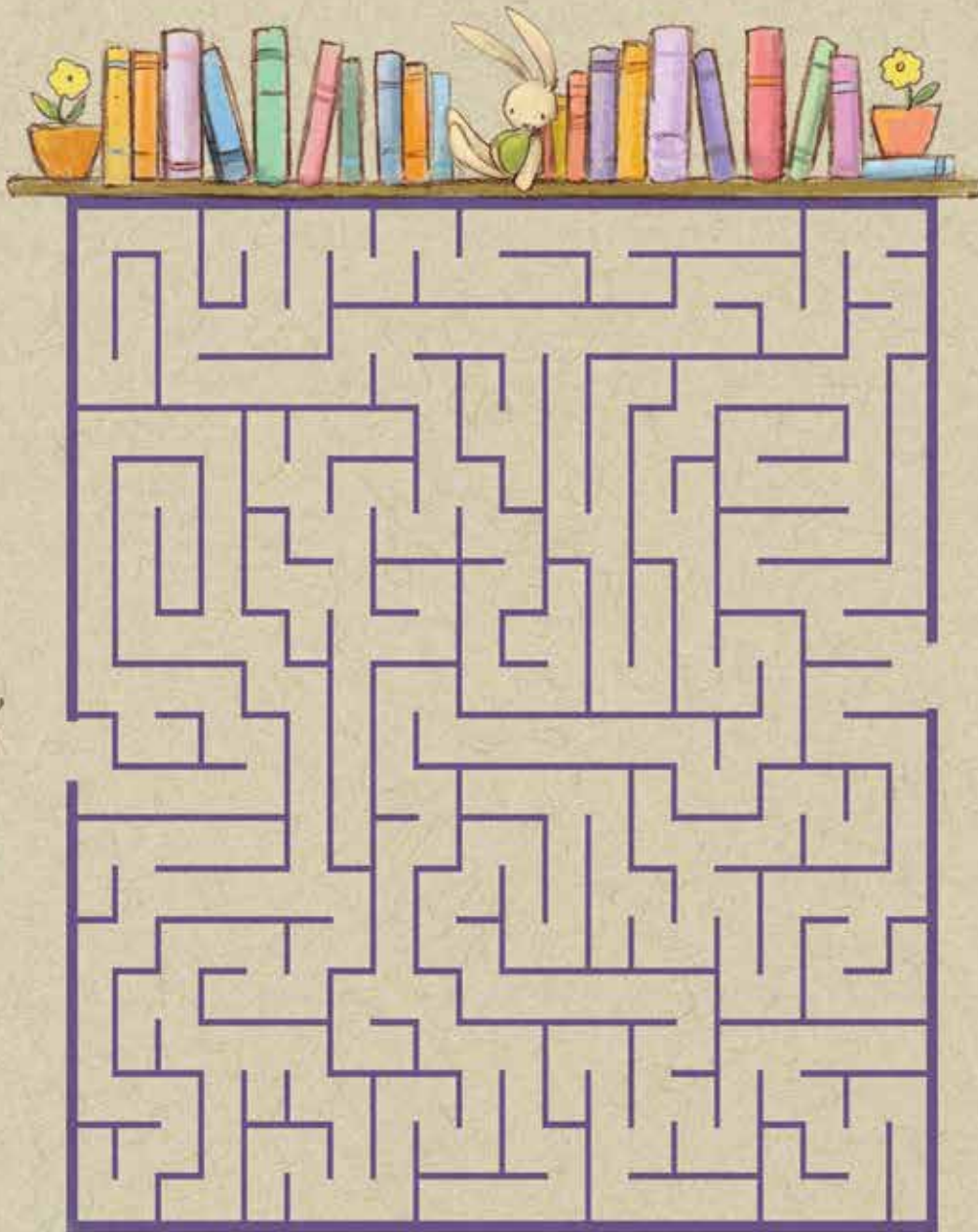


Madeline Finn loves to read to Bonnie.



Draw a dog or other animal you would love to read a story to.





*Help Bonnie and Madeline Finn
find each other.*





I love books

O T E R R I E R D W Z O S C T
 E K U J S F P R G I W R E Q G
 X V B P D O O V E J V V E F G
 D L O N N M O S I A N T N F B
 Q O N L E N D G W G D T E H O
 V O N F I P L O X V T L R K O
 M H I U R L E D E S I X Y S K
 L C E N F X O L U B M F P D S
 L S Z J D N G R R A T S N S Z
 R N T D U A T A S Q Q R Z I I
 G R R X E E R E H C A E T F E
 T A A B N Y Y D E V V N R Y E
 T E E M A D E L I N E Q O W N
 I L H M U T T M H P V J Y F W
 C H H N O M H C Q T X F T M O



BONNIE
 MADELINE
 LIBRARY
 BOOKS

TEACHER
 POODLE
 TERRIER
 SCHOOL

READ
 LOVE
 FRIENDS
 PYRENEES

MUTT
 LEARN
 TRUST
 JOY

HEART
 STAR
 DOGS
 BEAGLE





WORD SCRAMBLE



ILYRBRA _ _ _ _ () _ _

SGOD () _ _ _

OINEBN _ _ _ _ _ ()

FIERDN _ () _ _ _ _

OSBKO _ _ _ _ _

TROYS _ _ () _ _

RLTETES _ _ () _ _ _ _

NBNUY _ _ _ _ _

ADER _ () _ _

TUMT () _ _ _

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_ _ _ _ _

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Unscramble the secret letters to find out what Bonnie wants you to do!



SCAVENGER HUNT

Can you find these images in the book?

1. Fireflies
2. Squirrels
3. Ice Cream Cone
4. Dog in a Green Sweater
5. Umbrella
6. Bunny with a Carrot
7. Soccer Ball
8. Stuffed Koala Bear
9. A Real Bunny
10. Mushroom



Can you find these REAL therapy dogs in the book?



"Boots"



"Cookie"



"Chloe"



"Trevor"



"Bonnie"



"Rosie"



"Zowie"

TELL BONNIE A STORY



Once upon a time, there was a _____ .

More than anything else, he wanted _____ .

He tried _____ .

He tried _____ .

He even tried _____ .

But it never worked.

This made him feel _____ and _____

_____ .

Then, one day he (met) (found) _____ .

They worked together. They _____ ,

and they _____ . They even _____

_____ .

Finally, _____

_____ .

They were so happy! And from then on _____

_____ .



RECIPES

Ask an adult for help

DOGGIE TREATS (peanut butter doggie cookies)

- 2 cups flour (white or wheat, if your pup has no wheat allergies)
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1/3 cup smooth peanut butter
- 1 tbs. honey
- 1/2 tbs. fish oil
- 1-1/2 cups water



Mix the flour and oats in a large mixing bowl. Pour in 1 cup of water, and blend until smooth. Add in the peanut butter, honey, and fish oil. Mix until well blended.

Slowly add the remaining water until mixture has thick, doughy texture. Roll dough 1/4" thick on floured surface. Cut out with cookie cutters. Bake at 350° for 40 minutes. Cool completely before serving.

Recipe from Angela Colley as seen on www.moneycrashers.com/homemade-dog-food-treat-recipes



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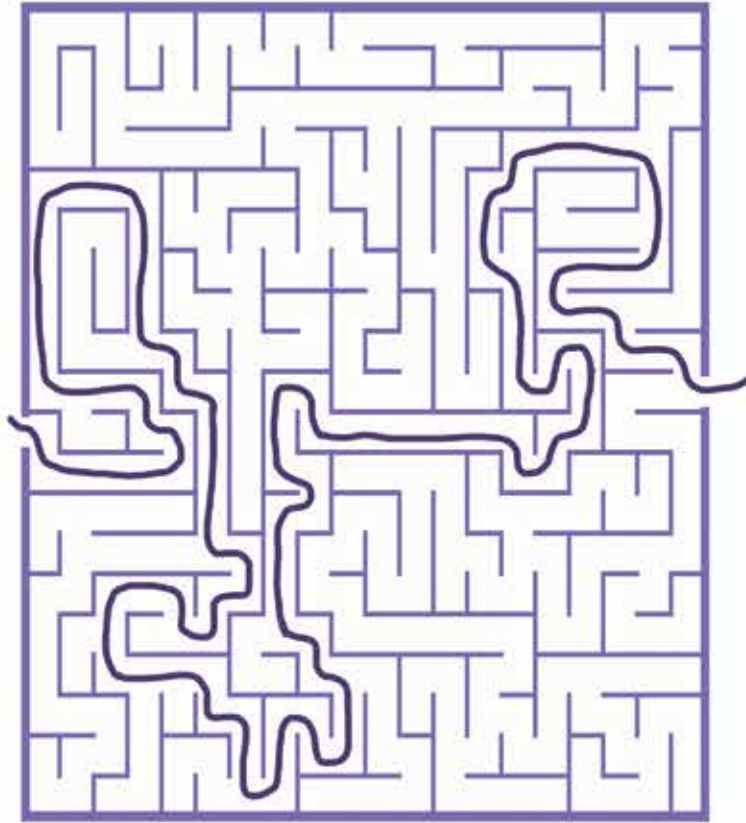
MADELINE FINN STAR COOKIES

- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2/3 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg, beaten
- 2 tbs. milk
- 1-1/2 tsp. vanilla



Sift first 4 ingredients together. In a separate bowl cream butter and sugar. Blend in egg, milk, and vanilla. Mix in dry ingredients. Chill in refrigerator for 2 hours. Roll dough 1/8" thick on floured board. Cut out with star-shaped cookie cutters. Bake at 375° for 8-10 minutes. Decorate after the cookies are cool!

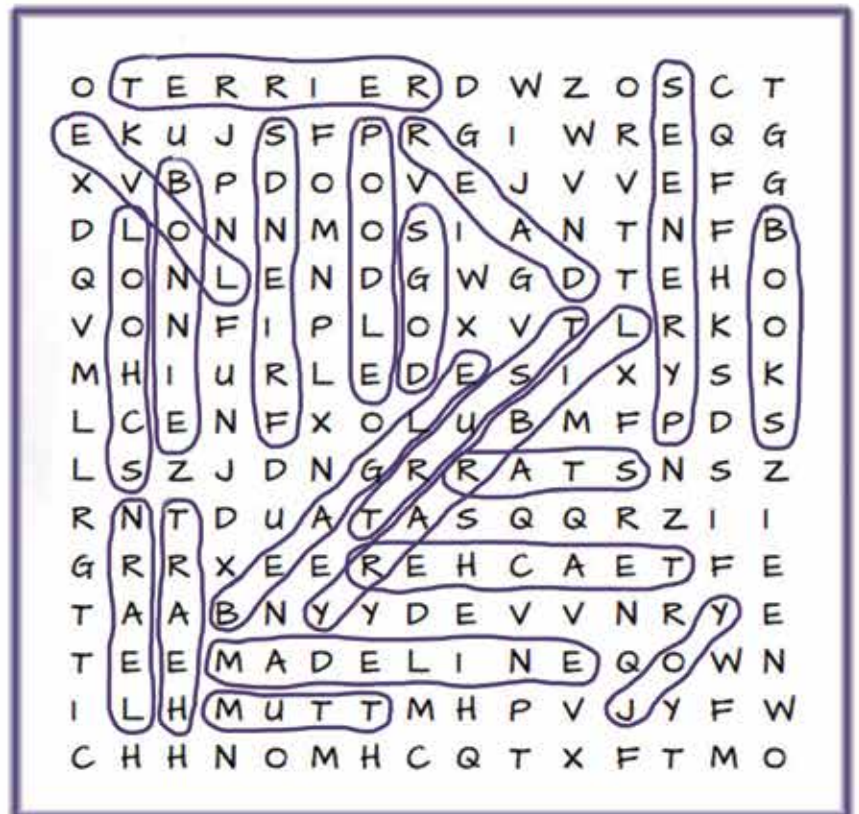
MAZE



WORD FIND



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WORD SCRAMBLE

ILYRBRA	L_I_B_R <u>A</u> _Y	(A)	
SGOD	(D)_O_G <u>S</u>	(D)	R_E_A_D
OINEBN	B_O_N_N_I <u>E</u>	(E)	
FIERDN	F_(R)_I_E_N <u>D</u>	(R)	
OSBKO	B_O_O_K <u>S</u>		
TROY S	S_T_O <u>R</u> _Y	(O)	T_O
RLTETES	L_E_(T)_E_R <u>S</u>	(T)	
NBNUY	B_U_N_N <u>Y</u>		
ADER	R_(E)_A <u>D</u>	(E)	M_E
TUMT	(M)_U_ <u>T</u> _T	(M)	

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