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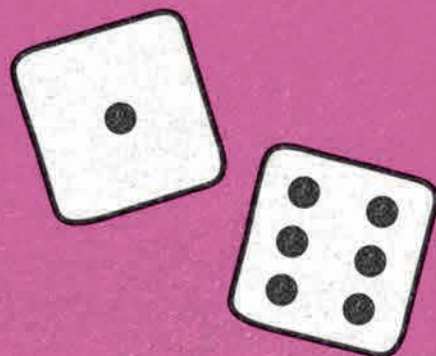


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FLICK OF THE DICE!

How cool is this? If you want to play a game needing dice, this book will magically turn into one. All you have to do is shut your eyes and flick the left-hand pages towards the front from wherever you are in the book. Stop at random. Whatever you see at the top left of the page is your 'throw'.

Have a practice to make sure you can do it smoothly.
Good luck!



HOW TO BUST THAT BOREDOM

BE PREPARED...

...for anything! When you're on the move, it's wise to expect the unexpected. You may whizz straight to your destination or get stuck in a traffic jam. Flights can be delayed and bags go astray.

If you have emergency supplies with you, hold-ups can be part of the adventure. That means a little money, food and drink, a change of clothes and something to pass the time. This Boredom Buster is the perfect travel pal!

YOU'LL NEED...

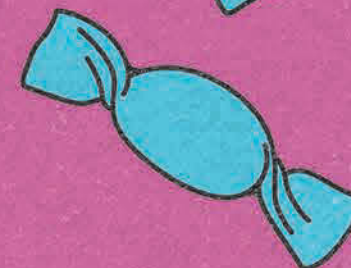
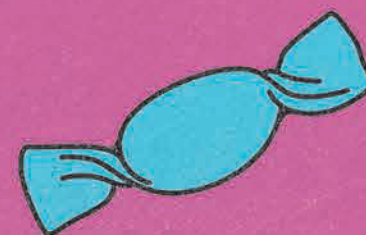
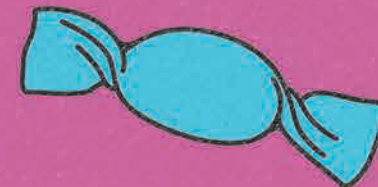
...not much, really. Pens, pencils and paper are always handy, but you don't need them to have fun with the Boredom Buster. Counters for games are helpful, though, but you don't need anything special for these. Some not-too-sticky sweets or small coins will do the trick. Scrunched-up sweet wrappings, especially foil ones, make good counters, too, or even double as a mini tennis ball (see page 36) or football (page 55)!

A watch or mobile phone is handy for timing yourself, or you can ask a travel buddy to do this instead.

THE SECRET...

...of awesome boredom busting is plenty of variety. You'll find dozens of different games, challenges and activities in these pages. Some are more fun if the whole family joins in. Some are just for you when you want a bit of peace and quiet. You might even be inspired to invent some games of your own.

You don't need to write in the book, but there are a couple of places where folding the page will add to the fun.





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I SPY

You know how this goes... One person says, 'I spy with my little eye...' and gives a clue to something they have spotted. Everyone else has to guess what it is. Here are some clues to choose.

THE CLASSIC

'I spy with my little eye something beginning with B (or any other letter).' If you're playing with little brothers or sisters, you could say, '...something that starts with a *buh* sound.'

THE RAINBOW

'I spy with my little eye something that's BLUE!' You can keep the colours simple or show off your inner artist. Chartreuse, magenta, or taupe anyone?

THE TEASE

'I spy with my little eye something that can wave.' A hand? A flag? A banner? Er ... the sea? These clues can be truly tricky!

THE CUNNING

'I spy with my little eye something beginning with ARC.' Add more letters and you'll get some wild suggestions. A ridiculous child? All round coins? A racing car?

THE POETIC

'I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with STAR!' Car? Tar? Jar? Bar? Spa? Bra? Haha!

TOP TIP

Players have to be able to spy what YOU spy. Don't choose the cat on a wall that you passed ten minutes ago or the sweets you just scoffed.

MEMORY TEST

You can play this by yourself, but it's more fun (and not so easy to cheat) with someone else. Look at the page for exactly one minute. Then close the book or pass it to your travel buddy. How many of the ten items can you remember? Page 126 rates your score.





PUZZLING PLACES

Sort out these mixed-up cities, countries and continents. The clues may make your sorting speedier. Page 126 has the answers.

YUKERT

Part of Europe and Asia, is it a country or a bird?

WORN KEY

City often known as the Big Apple

SUSAIR

The largest country in the world

NOODLN

Big Ben and Beefeaters in western Europe

ECOMIX

Aztec ruins and tasty tacos in the Americas

HANCI

Country with the biggest population in the world

KOOTY

Asian capital city with great sushi

ROGASNIPE

Southeast Asian city-state where chewing gum is banned

ZIBLAR

Home to a huge South American rainforest

PLANE

Asian country with the world's highest mountain

CRAFEN

European country known for fashion and food

CANTATRICA

The coldest, driest and windiest continent of them all

NERDANGLE

The biggest island in the world

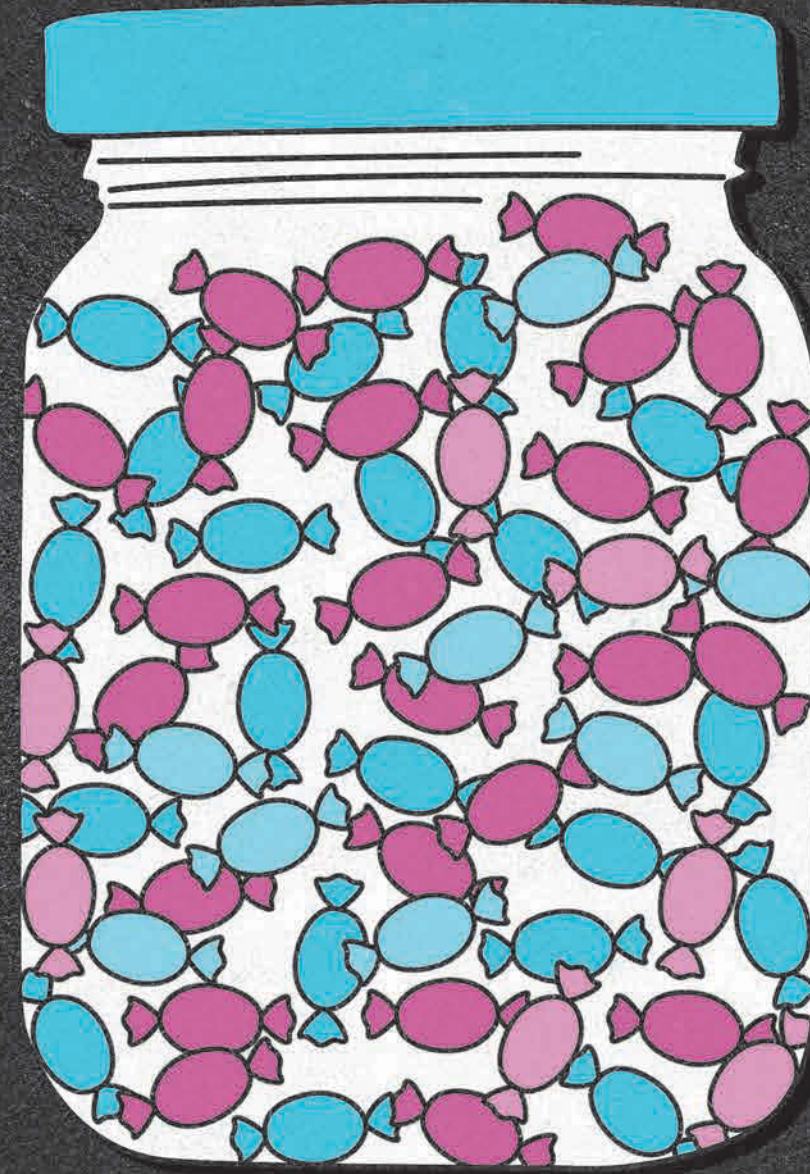
RATALUSIA

Down under or up over? It depends where you are!

GETPY

Pyramids and palm trees in north Africa

HOW MANY SWEETS IN THE JAR?



How good is your guesstimating? Don't count these candies but show them to your travel buddies and guess how many goodies are in the jar. The winner is the closest to the accurate answer, which is on page 126.

Make sure no one has more than ten seconds to look at the picture.



CHATTERBOX

Sometimes you don't want to play a game. You just want to chat to your fellow travellers and find out a bit more about them. Even people you think you know really well can surprise you.

Try asking some of these questions. You may get some interesting answers!

Who would you like to play you in a film about your life?
Why?

If you could have any pet, which would you choose?

What is your earliest memory?

If you won millions on the lottery, what would you do?

If you could travel back in time, when and where would you choose?

What three things would you like to achieve in the next year?

What would you like to be really, really good at?

When you were little, what was the first thing you said you wanted to be when you grew up?

Is there someone you have lost touch with that you would really like to see again?

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would it be?

If you could live anywhere, where would it be?

If you could change one thing about your body, what would it be?

What are you frightened of?

What one luxury would you take with you to a desert island?

If you were an animal, what kind of creature would you be and why?



WATERY WORDSEARCH

More of the surface of our Earth is water than ... well earth. Find these oceans, seas, rivers and lakes in the wordsearch below, but which one in the list ISN'T in the grid? Turn to page 127 to check your answer.

SEAS
BALTIC
BARENTS
CARIBBEAN
CASPIAN
MEDITERRANEAN
RED

OCEANS
ARCTIC
ATLANTIC
INDIAN
PACIFIC
SOUTHERN

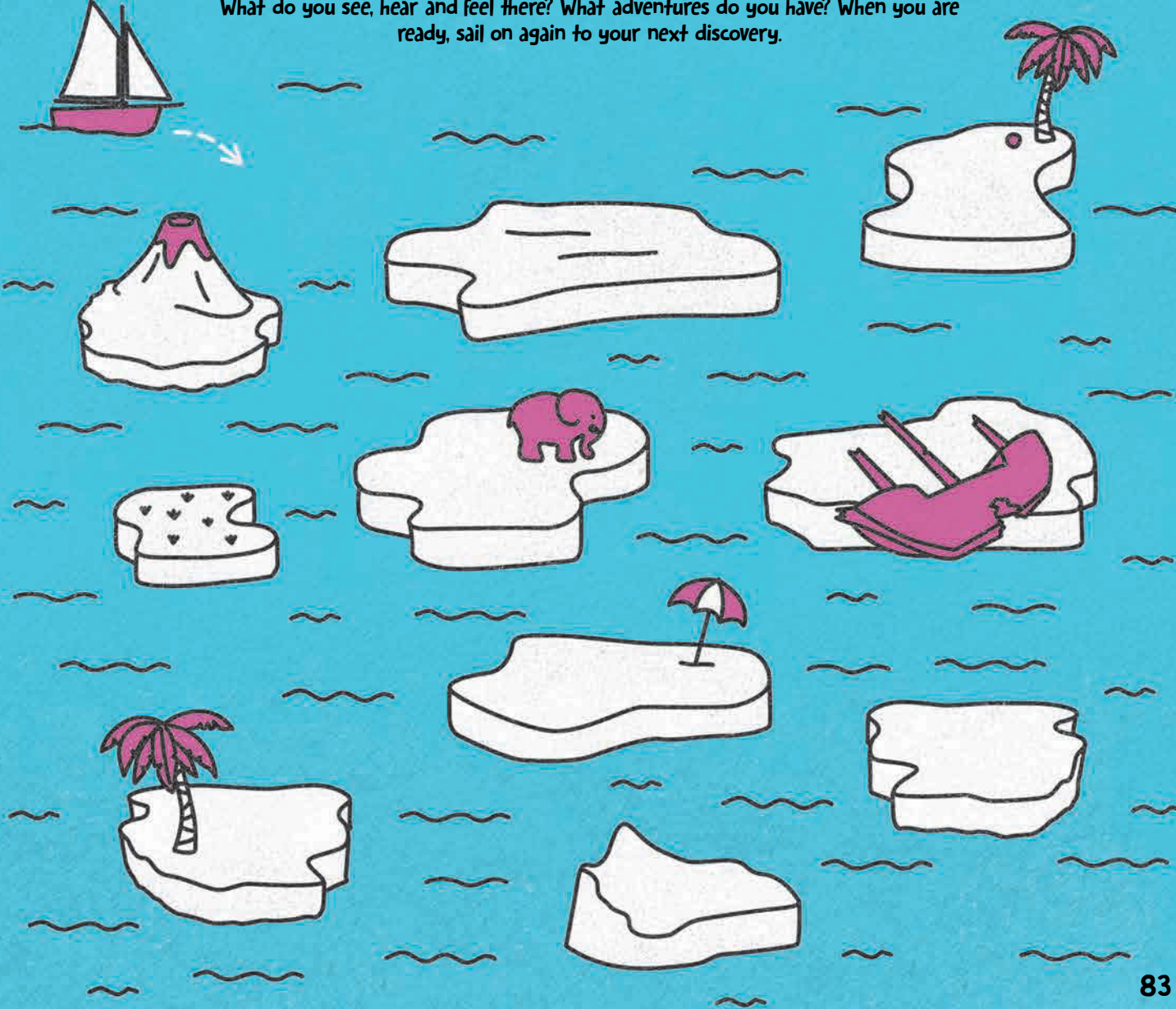
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RIVERS
AMAZON
CHANG JIANG
DANUBE
GANGES
INDUS
MISSISSIPPI
NILE
SEINE

LAKES
BAIKAL
ERIE
SUPERIOR
TANGANYIKA
TITICACA
VICTORIA

ADVENTURES AHOY!

You're sure to have adventures on your travels. Get ready now with some dream discoveries. Imagine you are the captain of a ship, sailing the seven seas. Follow a route between the islands slowly with your finger. When you feel like it, stop off at an island. What do you see, hear and feel there? What adventures do you have? When you are ready, sail on again to your next discovery.





ALPHABET LISTS

There's no pencil or paper needed for our version of this famous game.

First choose a category by asking the youngest player to close their eyes and poke their finger at these pages. The category nearest to their finger is what you use.

Then one person announces the first letter: 'A!' At once, everyone yells out a word that begins with A and fits the category. So if the category was Colours, for example, you might hear: 'Apricot!' 'Aubergine!' 'Apple green!' 'Avocado!' 'Amber!' (That's quite a hard one!)

You need to be quick. If someone shouts your word before you do, you get one more try when everyone has shouted. Then you move on to the next letter. Anyone who can't think of a word that fits loses a life. Starting with ten lives is easiest, because you can count them down on your fingers!

The winner is the person with most lives left at the end of the alphabet, or the last man standing if everyone else loses lives really quickly!

CLOTHES

SOMETHING YOU CAN LIVE IN

THINGS FOUND IN A KITCHEN

CARS

SONG TITLES

FOOD

MOVIES

BOOKS

DOGS

FLOWERS

BIRDS

COLOURS

COUNTRIES

TV CHARACTERS

TREES

TOYS

PARTS OF THE BODY

BOYS' NAMES

ANIMALS

CITIES

SPORTS

JOB'S PEOPLE DO

DRINKS

BANDS

FRUIT AND VEG

UNDERWATER CREATURES

THINGS IN THE SKY

ICE-CREAM FLAVOURS

GIRLS' NAMES

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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



WHAT'S BEEN FOUND?

Here's that strange selection of lost property again. But someone has come and claimed one item. Without looking back, can you spot which it was? Only look back at page 89 if you get really stuck. If you're still stumped, turn to page 127 for the answer.



HEADS AND TAILS

This is a good game for lots of people to play, or for a few people when you need to pick someone to go first or go and fetch the ice creams.



You need any two coins and someone to toss them.

The coin-tosser says, 'Heads or tails?'

Each player guesses how the coins are going to fall when they are tossed.

If they think there will be two heads, they put both hands on their head.

If they think there will be two tails, they put both hands on their bottom.

If they think one head and one tail, no prizes for guessing it's one hand on their head and one on their bottom.

The coin-tosser tosses and announces the result. Anyone who got it wrong is out. Anyone who got it right is still in the game and plays again until only one person is left.

