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Connections – Happy Mother's Day!

Did you know that the United States is not the only country where Mother's Day is celebrated? Read the selection and then match the name of each country with a description about how Mother's Day is celebrated there. Write the correct letter next to each country.

1. Australia _____
2. India _____
3. Canada _____
4. Ireland _____
5. Mexico _____
6. South Africa _____

- A. Mother's Day is a new holiday in this country. But it is growing in popularity!
- B. Here, people wear white carnations to honor a deceased mother on Mother's Day.
- C. Mother's Day in this country is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent.
- D. In this country, people honor their grandmothers on Mother's Day.
- E. Churches hold a special mass on Mother's Day in this country.
- F. People who live in this country usually show their mother's gratitude on Mother's Day by giving them cards and flowers.

NAME _____



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What's It Like to Be ... A Creative Director?

As a creative director, Louis Pecci gets to use his imagination and draw pictures all day long! Sounds pretty cool, eh? Read about Louis in the selection, "What's It Like to Be...A Creative Director?" Then, create your own unique character!

What You Will Need

1 sheet of construction paper or large drawing paper
Crayons, markers, and/or colored pencils
Black felt tip marker
Pencil and eraser

Directions

Think about what you want your character to look and act like. Answer the following questions to help you:

Is your character large or small? _____

Is your character scary, sad, or silly? _____

Is your character mean or nice? _____

Does your character have legs, wings, or maybe even a tail? _____

What color is your character? _____

Does it have stripes or polka dots? _____

What is your character's name? _____

Now, draw your character! Use your pencils, markers, and/or crayons to draw a picture of your character. When you draw your character, think about how it behaves. If it is nice and silly, maybe you want to draw a silly smile on its face. If it is mean and scary, maybe you want to draw it with big sharp teeth and mean looking eyes.

When you've finished drawing your character, write its name with a black felt tip marker somewhere on the page. Then, share your new character with your friends!



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Art Gallery: Dorothea Lange – A Photography Pioneer

Dorothea Lange was a famous documentary photographer. Read about her life and career and then answer the following multiple-choice questions from the selection, “Dorothea Lange: A Photography Pioneer.”

1. Why was Dorothea insecure as a child?
 - A. She talked with a lisp.
 - B. She walked with a limp.
 - C. She wasn't good at sports.
 - D. She had crooked teeth.
2. When did Dorothea decide she wanted to be a photographer?
 - A. When she was a young girl.
 - B. When she was 30 years old.
 - C. When she was a teenager.
 - D. After she worked as a teacher.
3. Why did Dorothea think she'd be a good photographer?
 - A. Because she felt that she knew what it was like to be an outsider.
 - B. Because she was a good artist and thought photography was similar.
 - C. Because she knew how to trick people into wanting to pose for her.
 - D. Because she knew how to use an old-fashioned camera.
4. What event inspired Dorothea to being taking photographs of people on the street?
 - A. World War II
 - B. World War I
 - C. The Great Earthquake
 - D. The Great Depression
5. How come the American government confiscated Dorothea's pictures of Japanese American internment camps?
 - A. Because officials were afraid the photographs would ruin the government's reputation.
 - B. Because government officials thought that her photographs were fakes taken in a studio.
 - C. Because the photographs showed top-secret information that the government wanted to keep private.
 - D. Because the Japanese American people in the camps had not given the government permission to publish their photographs.



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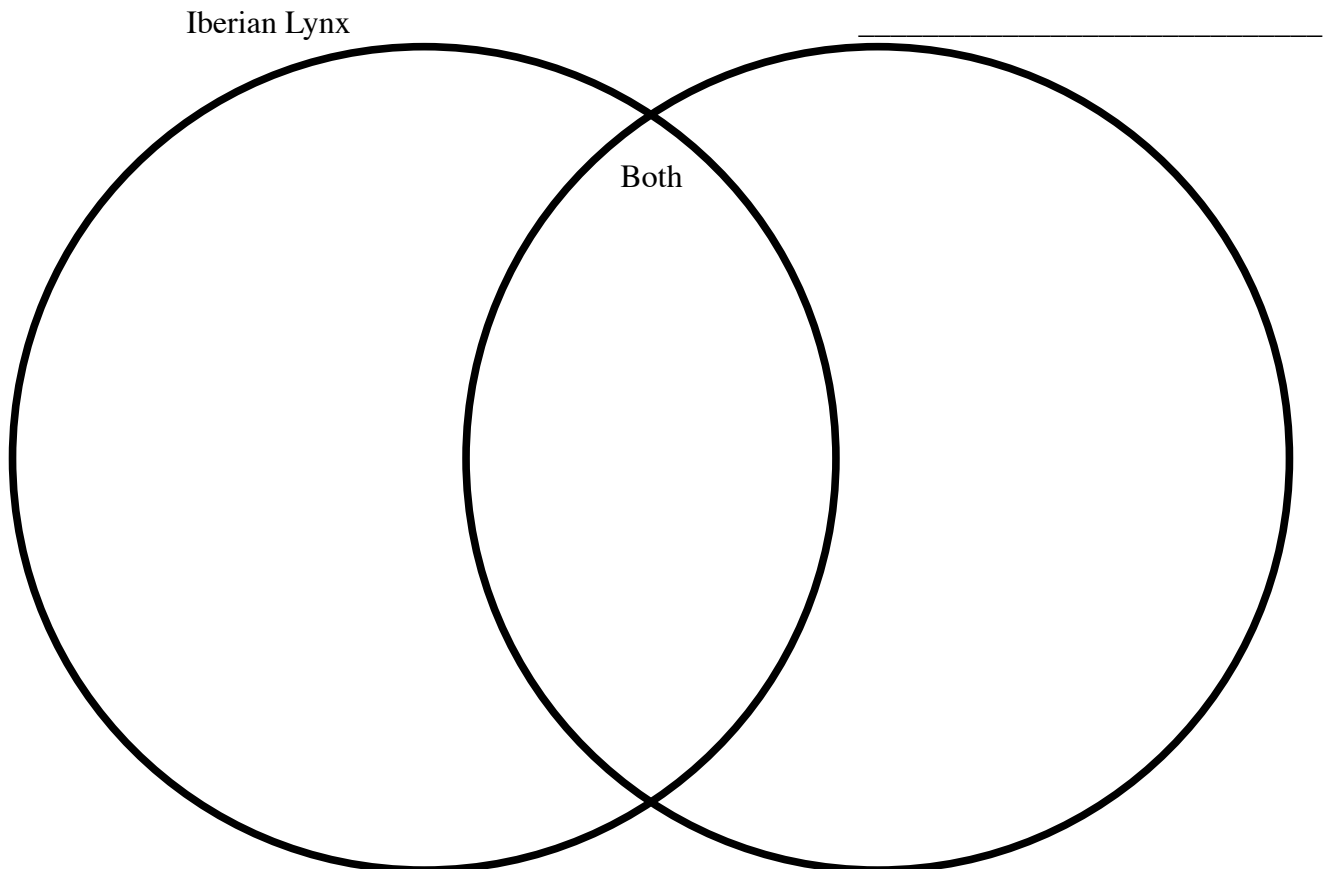
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Wildville – Iberian Lynx

What makes the Iberian Lynx different from other big cats? Read the selection and then fill in a Venn diagram comparing the Iberian Lynx with another large cat. You may choose to compare the lynx with a lion, tiger, panther, or other big cat that you know about. (If you need more information about another species of big cats, look here:

[http://www.thebigcats.com/.](http://www.thebigcats.com/))

1. To complete your Venn diagram, write information about the Iberian lynx in the circle labeled “Iberian lynx.”
2. Label the other circle with the name of the big cat you’re comparing (a lion, tiger, etc.) and write information about that cat in the circle.
3. Write information about what the two cats have in common in the center part where the circles overlap.





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Answer Key

Happy Mother's Day!

1. B
2. A
3. F
4. C
5. E
6. D

Dorothea Lange: A Photography Pioneer

1. B
2. C
3. A
4. D
5. A