

Canadian Bell Work for Grade 5

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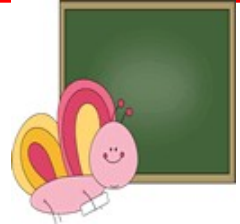
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Bell Work Teacher Information

- The first day of every month I give each student a copy of the current bell work sheet on colored paper, which is kept folded and placed inside his/her "BELL WORK " notebook.
- While I take care of attendance, milk money, etc., the students begin to answer that day's question in their notebooks.
- After I have finished getting everything in order, we take up that day's bell work. At the end of the month students are welcome to bring their sheets home to share with a parent, or put in our scrap paper bin.
- These questions are a mix of creative and academic tasks, with some questions adapted from state and provincial tests.
- This is the Canadian version with appropriate spellings and measurement units. I also have an American version!



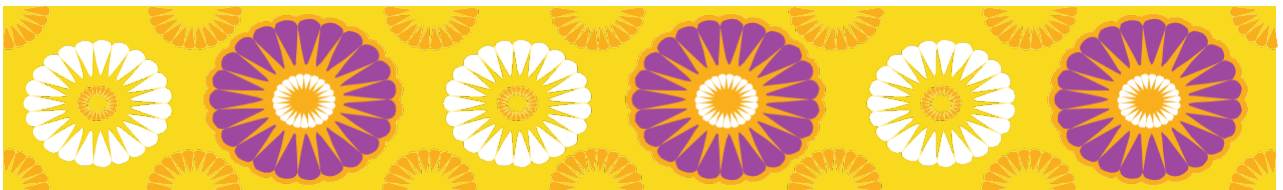
August Bell Work



1. What do you want your teacher to really know about you? Write a short paragraph (4-5 sentences) letting your teacher learn all about you!
2. Continue this number pattern as high as you can: 1, 3, 6, 10, 15...
3. Your teacher has made a rock garden behind her house. Four of the largest rocks weigh 420 grams, 730 grams, 850 grams, and 680 grams. Calculate the total mass of the rocks. Can you write it in more than one way?
4. Write as many words as you can using the words in "**summertime**".
5. Write a **recount** about a frustrating day that you experienced recently. Remember to tell about the events in that order they happened. Give your recount a title.
6. There were 18 people sitting in six cars in line at the drive-through window at McDonalds. Each car held the same number of people. How many people were in each car?
7. Draw coins to show as many ways as possible to make 78 cents. For example: **2 quarters, 2 dimes, and 8 pennies**.
8. **What school rule do you think** should be changed? Which adult in your school would have the authority to change this rule? Write a letter to this person trying to convince him/her to change the rule.
9. Put these words in alphabetical order: **doctor, dog, dance, diary, donut, dirty, dust**.
10. Write three facts (true information) and three opinions (your own ideas) about one of the following topics: **cell phones, school uniforms, internet, animal shelters, fast food**.
11. Scott collects hockey cards. He has 3271 cards in his collection. He sells 1284 of his cars to his friends. How many hockey cards does he have left?
12. **Adjectives** are describing words. For example, in the phrase: "**shiny diamond ring**", the adjectives "shiny" and "diamond" describe the kind of ring. List as many adjectives as you can to describe this picture:



13. Mary buys a new skipping rope that is 5 m long. How long is her skipping rope in centimetres? Show your work.
14. An "idiom" is an expression that cannot be understood from the normal meaning of the words. For example, if someone says "Cat's got your tongue", he doesn't mean that a cat has actually bitten your tongue. Instead, he means that you are being very quiet. Choose one of the following idioms to draw a picture about:
- at the drop of a hat
 - hat trick
 - hold your horses
 - no dice
15. Make a list of things you could measure in grams instead of kilograms.
16. Place different numbers in the blank spaces to make the following number sentence true:
- $$8 + \underline{\quad\quad} = 20 - \underline{\quad\quad}$$
- How many different ways can you complete the number sentence?
17. If you could change places with anyone in the world, who would it be? Write a paragraph explaining your reasons for choosing that person.
18. Make a pattern in which both number and shape change. Have the pattern repeat at least 3 times. Ask a friend to continue your pattern.
19. Put these numbers in order from smallest to largest: **382, 95, 247, 380, 737, 204.**
20. Find things in the classroom that have the same shape as : **a cube, a cylinder, a rectangular prism, a square-based pyramid, a sphere.**
21. Combine these two sentences into one longer sentence:
- **My grandmother was born in 1944. My grandmother was born in England.**
22. The prefix "un" usually make s the root word mean "the opposite." For example, "**untidy**" means the opposite of "**tidy**". Write as many words as you can that begin with the prefix "**un**".

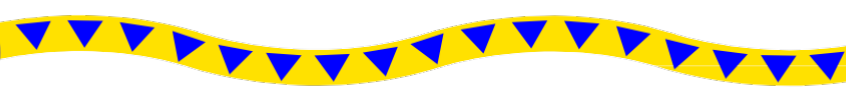


August Answer Key

Note: Many questions, particularly those involving writing, are open-ended, and will therefore simply be noted as OE, rather than receiving a specific answer.

1. OE
2. 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36, 45, 55, 66, 78, 91, 105....
(This increasing patterns is "add 2, add 3, add 4,...")
3. Estimate: $420 + 730 + 850 + 680 = 2680$. These 4 rocks will be 2680 grams or 2.68 kg.
4. OE
5. OE
6. $18 \div 6 = 3$ There were 3 people in each car.
7. OE, but some examples are: 78 pennies, 7 dimes, 1 nickel and 1 penny, 3 quarters and 3 pennies...
8. OE, but should follow letter-writing rules
9. Dance, diary, dirty, doctor, dog, donut, dust
10. OE
11. $3271 - 1284 = 1987$
12. OE
13. $5 \times 100 = 500$ The skipping rope is 500 centimetres.
14. OE
15. OE, but all items should weigh less than 1 pound
16. OE, but some examples are: $8 + 1 = 20 - 11$, $8 + 2 = 20 - 10$,
 $8 + 3 = 20 - 9$ Discuss how to solve this in an organized manner!
17. OE
18. OE
19. 95, 204, 247, 380, 382, 737
20. OE
21. My grandmother was born in England in 1944. OR
My grandmother was born in 1944 in England. Students may find more creative combinations!
22. Lots of possibilities (ie. unrest, uninterested, unpopular, etc.)





14. The word "**draw**" has two different meanings. Write a sentence using the word both ways. Use _____ and _____.

15. Kelsey wrote _____ with the pattern, _____ and the _____.

16. An _____ mark. For _____ negative _____.

17. _____

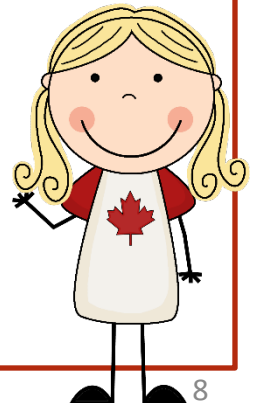
18. _____

19. _____

20. "I _____ in my _____
luncheon _____
phrase _____"

21. Make a Venn diagram to _____ friends. Remember to be respectful of your friends' feelings.

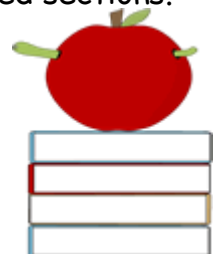
22. Make a list of 10 things you need for school. Then write them in alphabetical order.



September Answer Key



1. OE
2. OE
3. OE, but students should have a mix of addition, subtraction, and multiplication answers.
4. 99, 96, 93, 90, 87, 84, 81, 78, 75, 72, 69, 66, 63, 60, 57, 54, 51, 48, 45, 42, 39, 36, 33, 30, 27, 24, 21, 18, 15, 12, 9, 6, 3, 0
5. OE, but in
6. OE, but (north, south, east, west, etc.) or
7. Ntatic, Quebec =
8. O coins in a 2 dollar
9. es
- 10.
- 11.
12. O
13. 87,
14. One to draw. The teacher will
15. 10, 67, 68, 63, 64, 27, 28, 23, 24, 19, start at 100, and add 1, subtract 5.
16. OE, but all questions should be school-related.
17. $8 \times 9 = 72$ $90 - 72 = 18$ Mark will have 18 nails left over.
18. $\$40.00 - \$26.95 = \$13.05$ Brent will receive \$13.05 in change.
19. The spinner's yellow section should be smaller than the blue and red sections.
20. OE
21. OE, but no negative comparisons should be made.
22. OE, but words written in alphabetical order.



March

- How should eight ones, three thousands, two hundred thousands, nine hundreds, and five tens be written as a number?
- Many people think that finding a four leaf clover will bring them good luck. What other things are considered to be lucky? Write a paragraph about good luck charms.
- Alliteration is when a sound is used many times in a sentence. For example, *She sells seashells by the sea shore*. Choose another sound to make a new "tongue twister".
- How many words can you think of that end in "schoun"?
- Eric runs 100 metres in 30 days?
- Leprechauns are said to have a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow. If you find a leprechaun, how do you hide it?
- Write a sentence using the word "scape".
- Brainstorm words that end in "scape".
- Write a sentence using the word "scape".
- A palindromic sentence reads the same forwards and backwards. Write a couple of examples.
- A rectangle has an area of 100 square units. What dimensions would give the shortest perimeter? Explain your thinking.
- Look around the classroom. Make a list of things that you think would weigh about 8 kilograms (kg).
- Draw and color a scene from a fiction book that a teacher has read aloud this year. Trade pictures with a friend to guess each other's scenes.

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April

- April 1st is "April Fool's Day", when many people like to play tricks on others. What's the funniest trick you ever played on someone, or that someone played on you. Write a report about this trick.
- What type of triangle has an angle that measures 100 degrees and another angle that measures 50 degrees. Explain your thinking.
- Unscramble these spring words. Then make up 3 new scrambled words and have a friend solve them.
- Write a set of instructions for a number to the nearest thousand: 72 829
- An adverb and it one. For example, Copy the word, or when? Copy the word, or when? Copy the word, or when?
- Write a sentence using the word "unscramble".
- Make a set of instructions for a number to the nearest thousand: 72 829
- A hyphen (-) can be used to show a syllable break if you run out of room at the end of a line. The hyphen lets the reader know that the rest of the word is at the beginning of the next line. For example, "thunderstorm" could be broken in two different ways: thun-derstorm, or thunder-storm. Show the different ways the following words can be divided at the end of a line: anyone (1 way) animals (2 ways) suggested (2 ways) airplane (1 way) rectangle (2 ways) window (1 way)
- Count backwards by 25's from 500.

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What kind of candy would you invent? ingredients it would have, how much it would be, and anything else you think of.

trade, tray, tradition, trapeze, a metre (m), how many centimetres would

the world, and have lots of questions. I found around before they lay down? Make answers for somebody.

sure you use proper punctuation, go to see star wars at the theatre after? How much greater is it? I can.

is time to write about. Someday for bell from your list to write about.

to form one sentence: n were for their supper. The hot dogs hot dogs were free.

is 33 years old. What is the difference

made for Number 15. Choose something to spelling and punctuation mark!

t other words can be made by adding a path! For example: unhappy is the root e for the following: unhappy, predicated, hardwood, leprosy, resulting

little, what book did you want an adult to read over? Why did you like it so much? Write a paragraph describing this book.

MAY

- Complete the number equation: $42 \times \underline{\quad} = 16$
How many different pairs of numbers can you use that work in this equation?
- What do you think your life would be like if you were 40 years old? Would you be married? Write a paragraph about what you would do.
- How many words can you think of that end in "scape"?
- The teacher buys 3 tent coats before taxes?
- Why that makes people want to the movie, the date the movie was made, and pictures of the movie plot. Think about a book or for the book.
- Use with an adjective in the 1st in the second place to try the sentence again, this is so many ways can you do this? id out our math papers.
- In a sentence, use the word "scape".
- One teacher says that the word "scape" is a prefix. Write a paragraph about this topic.
- Double negatives occur when more than one negative word appears in a sentence. Some negative words are: none, no one, wasn't, never, don't, no more, no. Some positive words to replace one of the negative words are: anyone, ever, any. Rewrite the following sentence so they don't have double negatives: *He didn't tell no one the answer.*
She hasn't got no choice but to eat her broccoli.
I won't have go on that roller coaster again!
- The dog found a stick that was 125 metres long. What is 225 written as a mixed number?

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id in many special activities this year. List an event and write a paragraph explaining and it.

e following numbers: 1055 + 6308 - 2954

a friend. Place the speaker's name. Mom: It's time for supper. Kate: I'm not hungry.

verbs for these past tenses verb: dog had stood fought spoke idea of 42, 48, 42, and 33.

one syllable are shown with an accent () or example: object could be shown as ob-ject, g "to protect". Choose at least 5 classroom appear in a dictionary. Show the syllable

fly. Where would you go? What would you new talent and how you would use it.

each with the same number of vertices. order: pair, head, throw, plain, hole, floor.

are information about a subject. For example, has worked here for 8 years. The name ammes to give more information about her, comes where extra information is given. your speed throughout the classroom. nian just bought 100 new books! I grew up without a television in her house.

1 kilometer (km) every 5 minutes. At this Make a robot to help you 10 m on long using a 30 cm ruler.

Bonus Summer Section!

June

- Create a fun activity for an outdoor school "Play Day". Write a short description of the activity, including the materials that would be needed.
- Draw three squares, and then shade in each of the squares to represent the following fractions: $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{2}{3}$, $\frac{3}{4}$.
- An analogy compares two things to show relationships. For example: *Water is to liquid as ice is to water*. Write a paragraph about how different forms water can take. Copy and paste the words "water" and "ice" into your paragraph.
- Can you think of a word that ends in "scape"?
- Write a sentence using the word "scape".
- What is the word "scape"?
- Use the word "scape" in a sentence.
- Many times they are used to describe the climate when why not?
- Creates an analogy comparing two things to show relationships. For example: *Water is to liquid as ice is to water*. Write a paragraph about how different forms water can take. Copy and paste the words "water" and "ice" into your paragraph.
- Write a paragraph using this prompt: *I wish I could be like.....This person is special because.....*
- A gym class is divided into 6 equal groups. At the last gym class, Squad C had 5 members absent and 7 members present. How many members are in the group altogether?

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re in "vacation"?

honed you and said "You a short story about what friend's house.

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of words. Some of the most commonly used words are: red, blue, green, yellow, orange, purple, pink, brown, grey, black, white, red, blue, green, yellow, orange, purple, pink, brown, grey, black, white.

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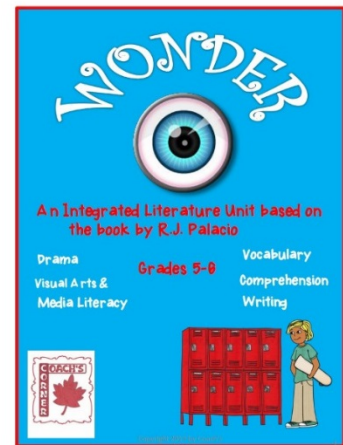
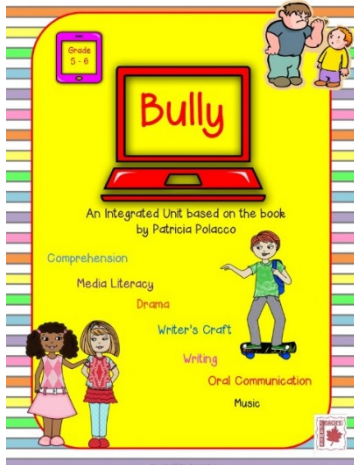
Use the word "scape" in a sentence.

SUMMER

- Write the number 2315 as many ways as possible. For example: 23 hundreds, 1 ten and 5 ones.
- Create two facts and two opinions about summer. For example: **Fact:** Summer is usually hot in southern Canada. **Opinion:** Summer is the best season of the year.
- What does the word "summer" mean to you?
- Draw the faces of the four seasons. Label them.
- Write a sentence using the word "summer".
- If you were a summer, what would you be like?
- Copy and paste the words "summer" and "winter" into your paragraph.
- Underline the words "summer" and "winter" in the paragraph.
- What is the word "summer"?
- What is the answer? $4 + 16 = 20$. Hint: Remember the rules for "Order of Operations".
- How many synonyms can you think of for the word "big"? Small?
- What is your favorite day of the week? Explain.
- On July 19, 2012 Nik Wallenda walked a tightrope 46 metres above Niagara Falls from the United States to Canada. How many centimetres would this be?

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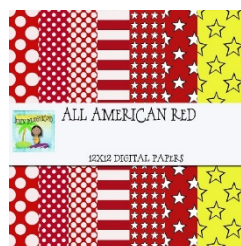
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