

CHESTER'S WAY

Word Study
(Synonyms)

A *synonym* is a word that means the same or almost the same as another word. For example, **big** and **large** would be synonyms.

Join each word from List A with a synonym from List B.

A

diagonally

rarely

duplicated

disguised

fangs

conversations

miniature

B

teeth

copied

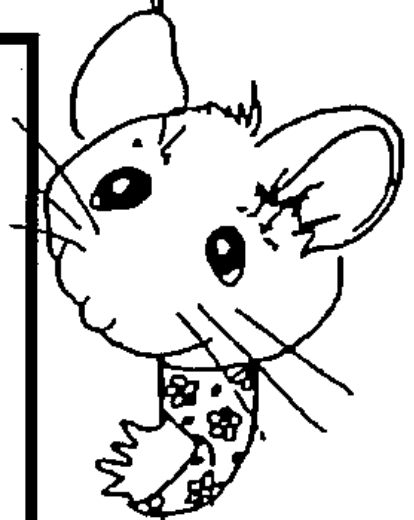
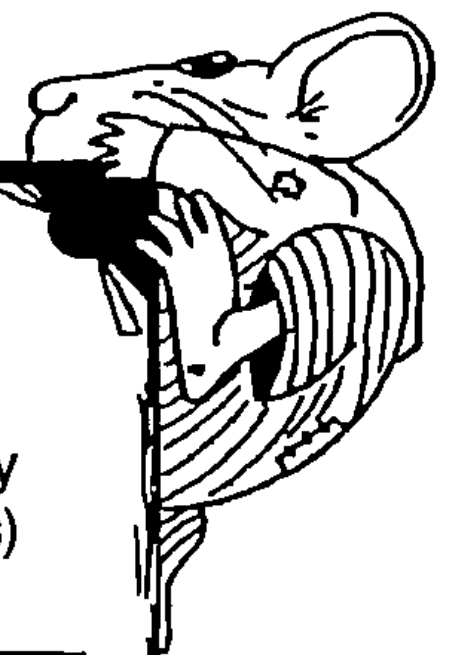
crosswise

talks

masked

small

seldom



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Word Study -
Backwards Words Search

Try to find these 10 backwards words in Lily's Backwards Word Search.

allerbmu	erutainim	sesiugsid
denethgirf	gnirob	triuqs
doohruobhgien	nolemretaw	yletinifed
yllanogaid		

Lily's Backwards Word Search

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

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Comprehension/
Finding Detail

1. Why did Wilson's mother and father say that they sometimes couldn't tell Wilson and Chester apart?

2. List **two** deeds Chester did that proved he was a good friend.

3. List **three** things that Chester and Wilson did to Lily to show they were **not** her friend.

4. The story ends with Victor moving into the neighborhood. Look at the picture of Victor on the last page. What do you think will be "Victor's way" that is different from Chester, Wilson and Lily?

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Character Study

Write **Chester**, **Lilly** or **Wilson** in the blanks.

- _____ duplicated his Christmas list every year and gave a copy to _____ because they always wanted the same things.
- _____ wore bandages all over to look brave.
- _____ always got out of bed on the same side.
- _____ carried a loaded squirt gun.
- _____ accidentally swallowed a watermelon seed and cried.
- _____ wouldn't ride his bike unless _____ wanted to, and they always used hand signals.
- When _____ called them up, they disguised their voices and said they weren't home.
- _____ never left home without double-knotting his shoes.
- _____ used cookie cutters to make fancy sandwiches.

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Making Comparisons

Think of somebody who is your friend.
Complete the chart telling how you and your friend are different and how you are the same.

Me	← We Are Different →	My Friend

↕ We Are the Same ↕

Make a Venn diagram to show your results.

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Creativity

Draw a picture of yourself as a mouse character. Make the mouse look something like you. For example, you may wear glasses, have freckles or like to wear a favourite cap.

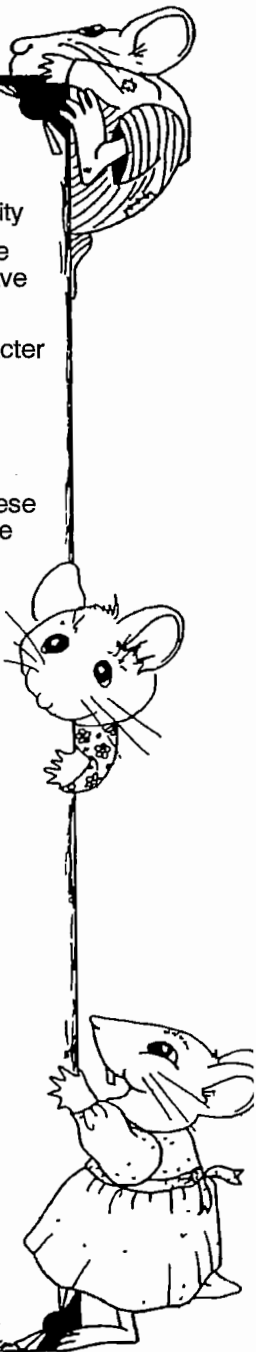
Also think about the type of personality you would like your character to have: shy, funny, noisy, athletic, bossy, ...

Add these characteristics to your mouse character.

Look at the picture of Chester on the first page.

There are words on the picture telling what Chester is saying. These words are called **captions**. What caption would you write if it were you talking about yourself as a mouse character?

Print a caption with your mouse character.



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Bookmaking

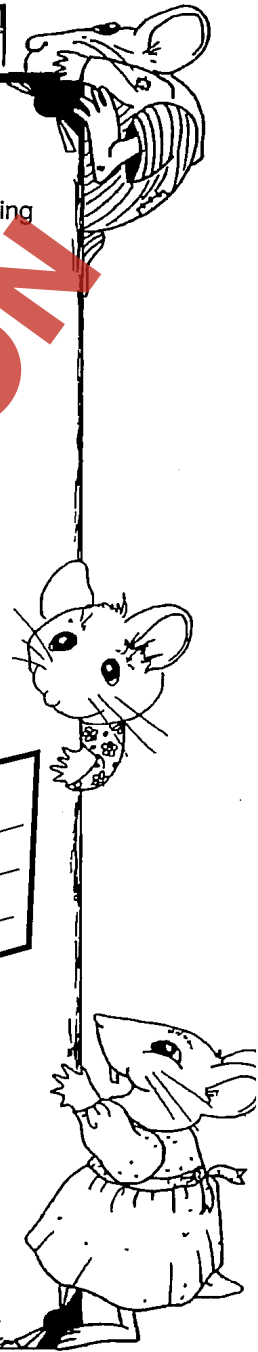
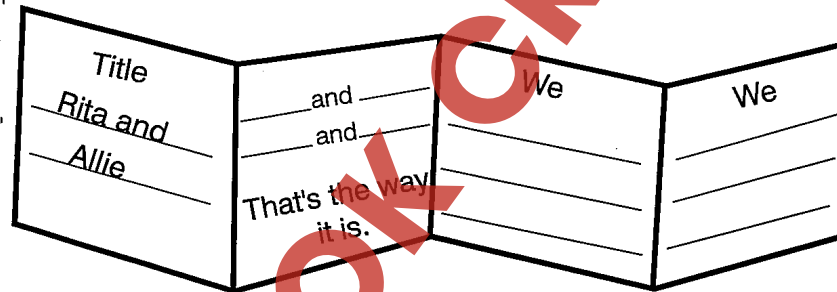
Write a book about you and a best friend.

Tell:

- the things you do together
- the things you like that are the same
- what your parents say about your friendship
- how you help each other
- things that make you best friends

Make illustrations of you and your friend. Add details and conversation bubbles.

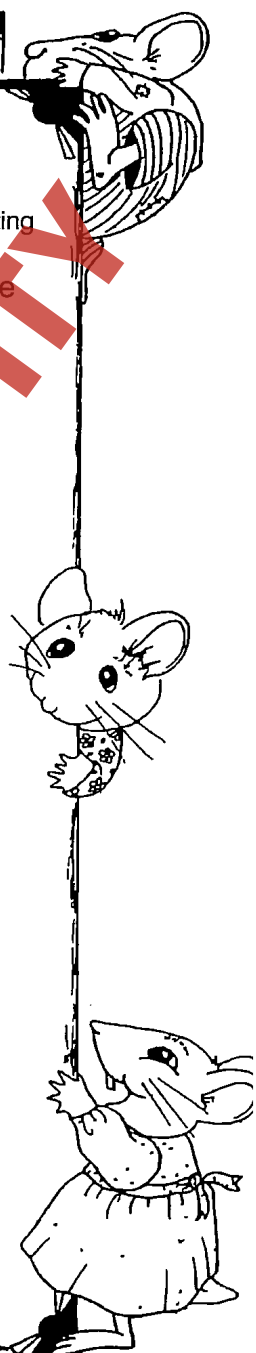
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Descriptive Writing

Pretend you are either Wilson, Chester or Lilly. Describe your first impressions of Victor. In your description, tell not only what he looks like, but also how he behaves.



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My favourite activity was _____ because _____



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Word Study -
Backwards Words

Lilly talked backwards sometimes. Look at these words taken from the story. They are written backwards. On the line beside each word write the correct word from the story.

Lilly's Backwards Words

1. yllanogaid _____
2. erutainim _____
3. yletinifed _____
4. nolemretaw _____
5. doohruobhgien _____
6. allerbmu _____
7. triuqs _____
8. sesiugsid _____
9. denethgirf _____
10. gnirob _____

Write some backwards words and ask a friend to give you the correct word.

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Answer Sheet #2



Wilson accidentally swallowed a watermelon seed, he did too and said he'd grow one too. He made his Christmas list for Wilson because they both wanted the same things. When she asked to play, they said they were too busy. They disguised their voices on the phone and said they weren't home when she called. They crossed the street and hid if she was walking on the side of the street.

Character Study
1. Wilson 2. Lilly 3. Lilly 4. Chester 5. Wilson 6. Wilson 7. Lilly 8. Chester 9. Lilly

Backwards Words
i) individual ii) originally iii) miniature iv) definitely v) watermelon vi) neighborhood vii) squirt viii) disguises ix) frightened x) boring

ANSWER KEY