

Ed's Reading Room Word Search

The Great Hamster Massacre

by Katie Davies

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

Anna

Tom

hamster

fish-tank

Shed Club

password

dictionary

tape measure

trainers

obstacle course

sums

riddles

massacre

investigation

glitter

shell

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Synonyms

Underline the word in each list that means the same or nearly the same as the first word.

massacre	police	vet	investigation	nest
game	professors	animal physician	discovery	home
slaughter	criminals	greengrocer	inquiry	eggs
mission	constabulary	trainer	outcome	leaves

Odd One Out

Underline the **odd one out** in each group.

hamsters cats gerbils mice

Lesser Longtailed Chinese Striped Migratory Grey Greater Egyptian

cotton cashmere mohair angora

The Plough Orion's Belt Cygnus Ptolemy

glossary dictionary workbook lexicon

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Ed's Poetry

In this poem about animals and birds, each line uses the letters of the word 'hamster' and the poem ends with a line about a hamster. Try and use some alliteration in each line. Ed has started the poem for you.

I Saw a Hamster

I saw a **h**edgehog flying with a **h**ummingbird.

I saw an **a**naconda waltzing with an **a**ntelope.

I saw a **m**

I saw a **s**

I saw a **t**

I saw an **e**

I saw a **r**

I saw a **hamster**

When you have finished your poem you could read it to a friend or learn and recite it.

Ed would enjoy reading your poem. You could email your poem to him.

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Diary Entry

Imagine you are either Anna or Tom. Write a **diary entry** for one of the days in the book. Think about how you would be feeling. Remember to use the first person (I think... I feel...) as if it is Anna or Tom writing.

Look at the illustrations in this book then draw a picture of your own for the story. Decide whether to do it in black and white or in **colour**.