

Banana cars

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Story at a Glance

You can create a delicious and nutritious race car! All you need are bananas, grapes, and toothpicks. Cut the banana into cylinders, poke in the toothpicks through the banana, and put on grapes at the ends of the toothpicks!

Activity Ideas

After reading the story, *Banana cars*, let's learn the new words in the story. And, dig deeper into the story!

Key Words

delicious very good to taste

nutritious healthy

resemble to look alike or similar

toothpick a small, skinny piece of wood or plastic for removing food from between teeth

slice to cut into thin pieces

cylinder a solid shape or object with a circular base and top and straight sides

voila an exclamation that points out success

method a way of doing something

tasty having a good flavor

Words Use

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

01 A _____ food is good for your body.

- ① delicious
- ② nutritious
- ③ tasty

02 A paper towel tube has a _____ shape.

- ① cylinder
- ② method
- ③ tasty

03 " _____!" said Nancy when she finished the project.

- ① Voila
- ② Resemble
- ③ Nutritious

04 Brothers and sisters often _____ each other.

- ① slice
- ② toothpick
- ③ resemble

05 Ana found a good _____ to solve the problem.

- ① slice
- ② method
- ③ cylinder

Words Building

After reading *Banana Cars*, write the meaning of each word in your own words.

delicious

nutritious

resemble

toothpick

slice

cylinder

voila

method

Grammar

Choose yes if the words make a sentence. Choose no if they do not. Solve the sample question before you start.

<Sample>

Your classmates, teammates, and friends.

[yes no]

01 You might need an adult's help with the knife.

[yes no]

02 A grape on the end of each toothpick.

[yes no]

03 One banana makes two banana cars.

[yes no]

04 Vroom, vroom!

[yes no]

05 Others might come up with their own method!

[yes no]

Understanding #1

Select 'True' if the statement is correct and 'False' if the statement is not correct. If you choose 'False' as an answer, think about what the right answer is.

- 01 A good snack is healthy and also tastes good. T / F
- 02 The tips of the bananas can be used in a different recipe. T / F
- 03 A car has five wheels, so a banana car has five grapes. T / F
- 04 Everyone should eat snacks in exactly the same way. T / F

Understanding #2

01 What is the main idea of the story?

- ① Snacks shaped like cars taste better.
- ② It is healthier to eat snacks that are shaped like cars.
- ③ By combining grapes and bananas in an unusual way, you can create a tasty and nutritious snack.

02 When you slice the bananas in half, the bananas _____.

- ① get smaller
- ② get bigger
- ③ stay the same size
- ④ turn into cars

03 The tips of the bananas can be used for _____.

- ① wheels
- ② ice cream
- ③ chocolate
- ④ fruit salads

04 A toothpick can be used to _____.

- ① wash your hands
- ② help small items stay attached
- ③ wash bananas
- ④ cook bananas

Understanding #3

Choose the order of the pictures that shows what happened in the story.



① B-C-A-D

② C-A-D-B

③ A-D-B-C

④ D-B-C-A

Read the passage below and choose the matching picture.

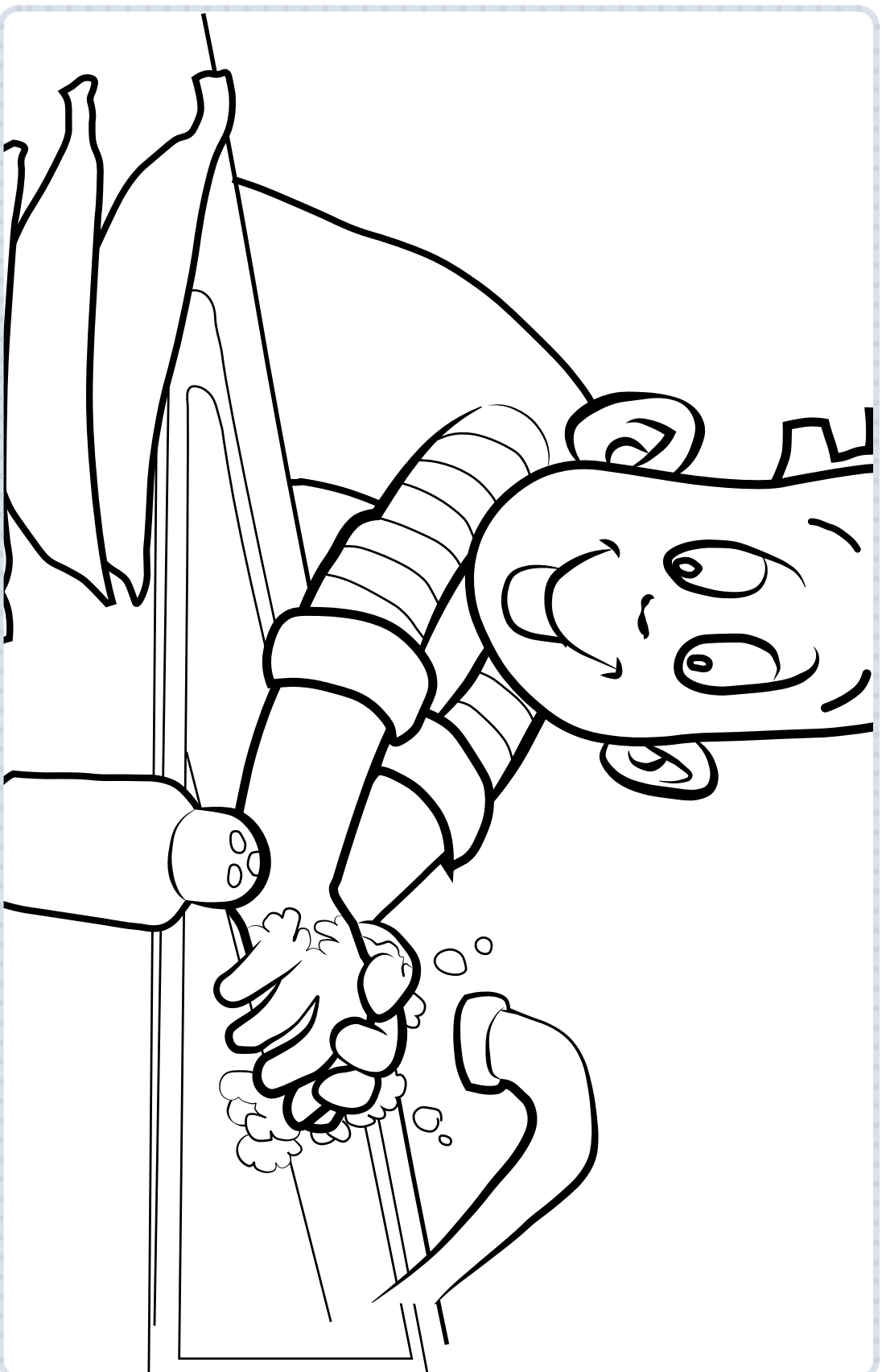
For each car you will also need four grapes and four toothpicks. So for six cars, you will need twenty-four grapes. You will also need twenty-four toothpicks. Next, wash and dry your hands. You can sing the A-B-C song while you wash to make sure you wash long enough.



Coloring Sheet

📅 DATE: _____

👤 NAME: _____



Speaking Fluency

Speak about the picture out loud.



Slice each _____.

Slice off _____.

_____.

You might _____.



Poke four toothpicks _____.

_____.

Then put _____.

_____.

Critical Thinking

Think about the questions and express your ideas or opinions about them.

- 01** Why is it a good idea to sing the alphabet when you are washing your hands?

- 02** Try thinking of your own delicious and nutritious snack. What would it look like? How would you make it?

- 03** How would you eat your banana car?

Writing

Write about the story on a separate piece of paper.

Title

Author



Can this story happen in real life?

Yes

No



This story is about

(a little boy and a dog, a scarecrow, an old tree, etc.)

Draw a picture about the story and write a sentence or two about the picture.

Making Your Own Story

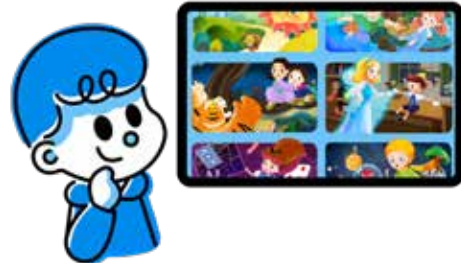


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Become a main character in the storybook



① Make your own face character in StorySelf.



② Choose *Banana cars* story.



③ Choose your face character.



④ Enter the story and become the main character of the story.

Make your own voice storybook



① Enter the story, *Banana cars*.



② Press the subtitle.



③ Record your voice for the subtitle.



④ Enjoy your voice in the storybook.

Answer Sheet

Words Use

- 1 - ②
- 2 - ①
- 3 - ①
- 4 - ③
- 5 - ②

Grammar

- 1 - yes
- 2 - no
- 3 - yes
- 4 - no
- 5 - yes

Understanding #1

- 1 - T
- 2 - T
- 3 - F
- 4 - F

Understanding #2

- 1 - ③
- 2 - ①
- 3 - ④
- 4 - ②

Understanding #3

- Top - ④
- Bottom - ④

Speaking Fluency

[Left]

Slice each banana in half.

Slice off the ends of the bananas so each one is in the shape of a cylinder.

You might need an adult's help with the knife.

[Right]

Poke four toothpicks into each banana half where the wheels would go.

Then put a grape on the end of each toothpick.

Critical Thinking

Possible Answer

1. It is a good idea to sing the alphabet when you are washing your hands so you make sure you've washed your hands well and long enough.
2. My snack would look like a race car too, but I would use a cucumber instead of a banana and cherry tomatoes instead of grapes.
3. First, I would take off the grapes and then peel the banana. Next, I would use my toothpick to slice my banana piece into four smaller pieces. Finally, I would stick my toothpick through one banana piece and one grape and then eat it.