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INTRODUCTION

Brain Teasers provides ways to exercise and develop brain power! Each page stands alone and can be used as a quick and easy filler activity. The pages can be distributed to students as individual worksheets or made into transparencies for presentation to the entire class at once. The book is divided into sections so the teacher can find activities related to a subject being taught or to a particular student's needs. The activities are especially useful in helping students develop:

- Logic and other critical thinking skills.
- Creative thinking skills.
- Research skills.
- Spelling skills.
- General vocabulary skills.
- An understanding of the regionalized language of Western culture.

NUMBERS, NUMBERS, NUMBERS

Answer each question with a number. How many . . .

1. Oceans are on Earth? _____
2. Sides does a pentagon have? _____
3. Planets are in our solar system? _____
4. Suns are in our solar system? _____
5. Teeth does an adult have? _____

6. Parts of speech are there? _____
7. Eyes did Cyclops have? _____
8. Degrees are in a right angle? _____
9. Lakes are in the Great Lakes? _____
10. Notes are in an octave? _____

11. Countries are in the continent of Australia? _____
12. Teaspoons are in a tablespoon? _____
13. Atoms are in a water molecule? _____
14. Amendments are in the Bill of Rights? _____
15. Verses are in "The Star-Spangled Banner"? _____

16. Cells are in an amoeba? _____
17. Tablespoons are in a cup? _____
18. Stories are there in the Sears Tower? _____
19. Faces are carved in Mount Rushmore? _____
20. Musical instruments are played in an a cappella performance? _____

RE“CON”STRUCT THESE WORDS

Each phrase below is a clue for an answer that contains the letters
c o n.

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| 1. To hide | c o n _ _ _ _ |
| 2. The seven main land masses on Earth | c o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 3. To make friends again; to make agree | _ _ c o n _ _ _ _ |
| 4. A musical entertainment | c o n _ _ _ _ |
| 5. Letters that are not vowels | c o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 6. Seasonings for food | c o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 7. The end | c o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 8. To make up or fabricate | c o n _ _ _ _ |
| 9. Arguments for and against something | _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ c o n _ |
| 10. Mixed up | c o n _ _ _ _ _ |
| 11. To extend good wishes to | c o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 12. To go on | c o n _ _ _ _ _ |
| 13. Strong building material | c o n _ _ _ _ _ |
| 14. State whose capital is Hartford | C o n _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ |
| 15. Bits of colored paper thrown at celebrations | c o n _ _ _ _ _ |

