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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.
- General knowledge skills.
- An understanding of the regionalized language of Western culture.

# Hidden Meanings

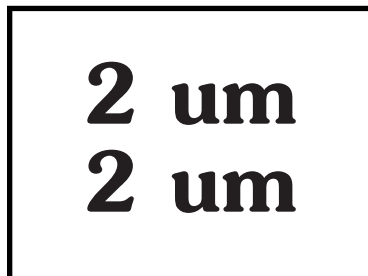
Explain the meaning of each box.



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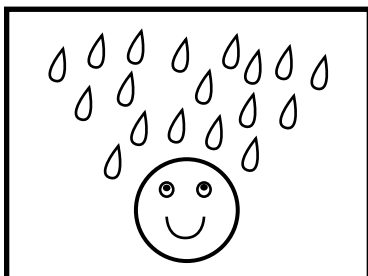
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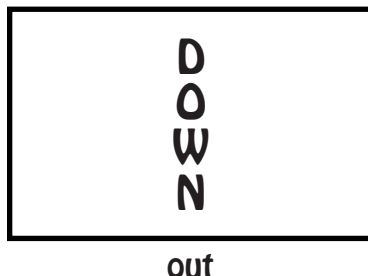
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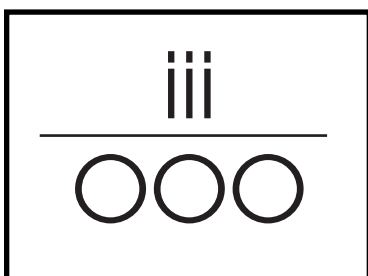
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# Which Word?

Words that sound alike or look alike often have meanings that are not alike. Decide which word is the correct one and circle it.

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. To leave out             | accept/except          |
| 2. The result               | effect/affect          |
| 3. A building               | capital/capitol        |
| 4. To give advice           | consul/counsel         |
| 5. To hint at or suggest    | imply/infer            |
| 6. Second of two things     | later/latter           |
| 7. A fear of                | mania/phobia           |
| 8. Also                     | too/two/to             |
| 9. Hushed                   | quite/quiet/quit       |
| 10. Previously              | all ready/already      |
| 11. The first of two        | former/latter          |
| 12. Immovable               | stationary/stationery  |
| 13. In front of             | proceed/precede        |
| 14. The beginning of life   | birth/berth            |
| 15. State of the atmosphere | whether/weather        |
| 16. occurring yearly        | annual/perennial       |
| 17. Temperament             | disposition/deposition |
| 18. Lesson                  | morale/moral           |
| 19. A small island          | aisle/isle             |