

Young Outlook

Calendar Mix Up

The letters that spell the word calendar are hidden in this winter scene. Find and circle them.

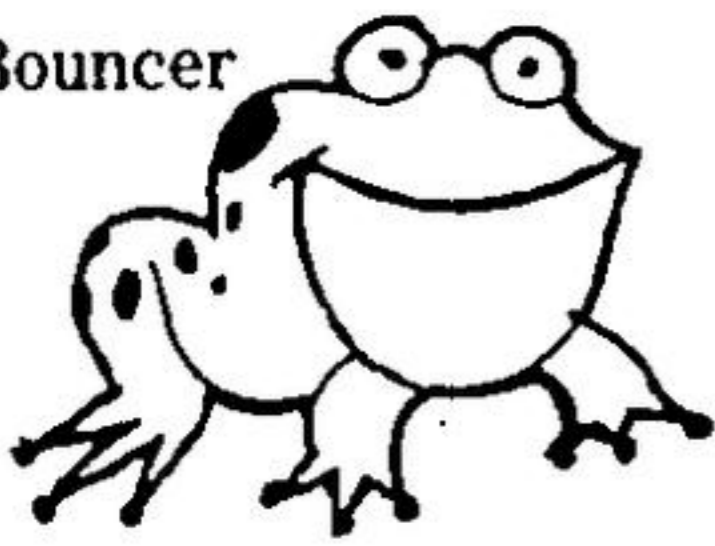


Leaping Years?

Every fourth year, an extra day is added to the year and put at the end of February. This day, February 29, is called *leap day* and the year with the extra day is called *leap year*. The word *leap* is used because each date on the calendar moves ahead 2 days that year rather than the usual one day. For instance, March 1 was on Sunday in 1987, but fell on Tuesday in 1988 because of *leap day*. It *leaped* Monday. The next leap year is 1992.

The animal usually associated with leap day is the frog because it moves around by leaping or hopping. Look at the frogs below and put circles around the 2 that are exactly alike.

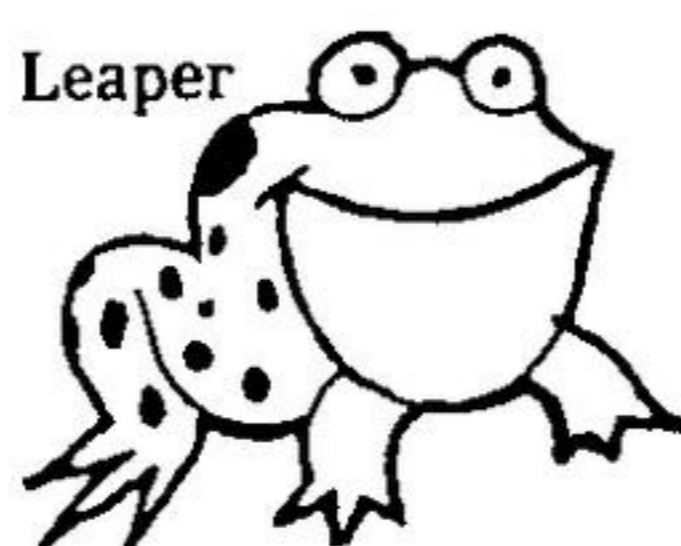
Bouncer



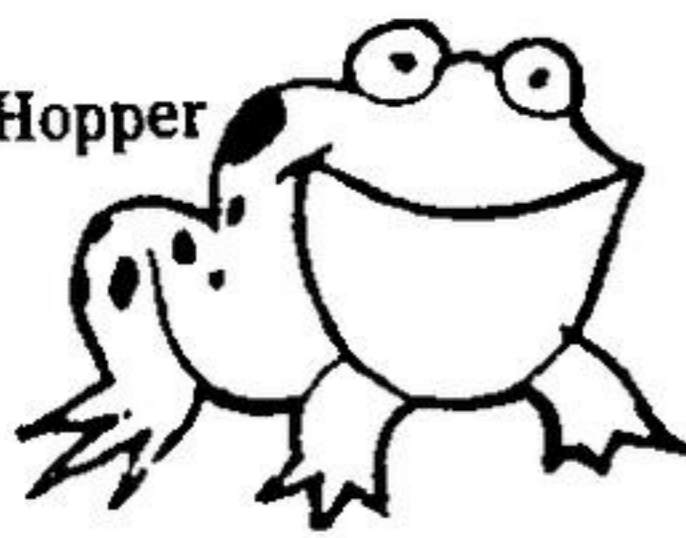
Slinky



Leaper



Hopper



Boing



Jumper



Answers: Hopper and Jumper

Mystery Days

There is an old rhyme that many people use to remember how many days are in each month. Fill in the blanks with the correct month names. Use the hints to help you.

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
31 days	28 days	31 days	30 days	31 days	30 days	31 days	31 days	30 days	31 days	30 days	31 days

Thirty days hath

S _ _ _ _ _

A _ _ _ _ J _ _ _ _

and N _ _ _ _ _

All the rest have thirty-one.

Except in F _ _ _ _ _ alone

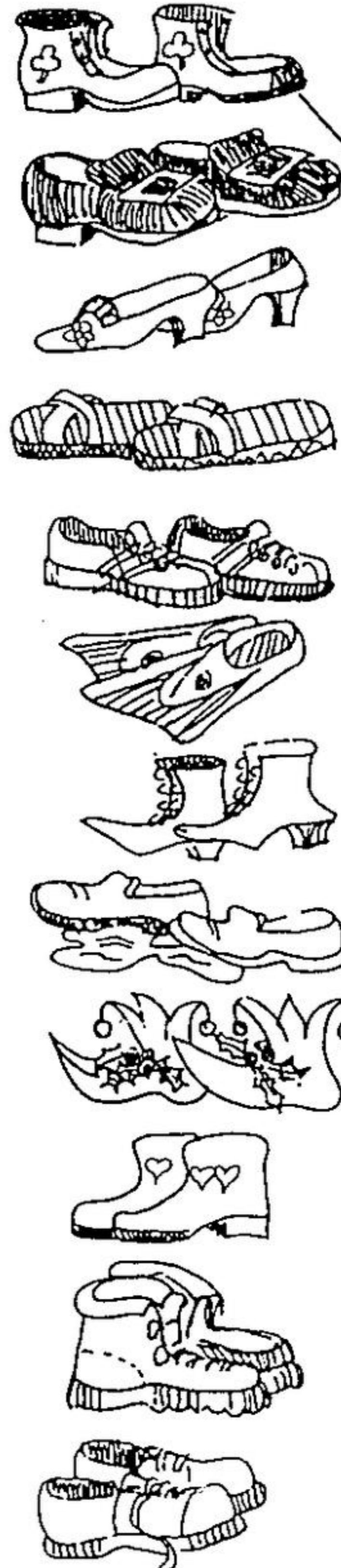
Which has twenty-eight days clear

And twenty-nine in each Leap Year.

Answers: 30 days-September, April, June, November, except in February.

Alfie's Shoes

Alfie has twelve pair of shoes. He has one pair for each month of the year. Some of the shoes can be worn any month. Draw a line to match each pair of shoes with the month Alfie will wear them in. (One was done for you.)



January

February

March

April

May

June

July

August

September

October

November

December

Calendar Daze

Add the missing letters to make 10 words which relate to calendars and time. If you're able to complete eight or more, you're exceptional.

1. _ E _ E _ B _ R
2. _ A _ E _ D _ R
3. _ E _ R _ A _ Y
4. _ N _ U _ L
5. _ E _ N _ S _ A _
6. _ E _ T _ R _
7. _ N _ I _ E _ S _ R
8. _ E _ T _ M _ E _
9. _ I _ T _ D _ Y _
10. _ O _ T _ L _

Answers: 1. December, 2. calendar, 3. February, 4. annual, 5. Wednesday, 6. century, 7. anniversary, 8. September, 9. birthday, 10. monthly.



1. The calendar we use today is called the Gregorian calendar named after Pope Gregory XIII. It came into being in 1582.
2. Leap year is observed every fourth year *except* in century years that cannot be divided by 400. For example, in 1700, 1800 and 1900, there was no extra day added to the year.
3. Each season lasts about three months and brings changes in temperature, weather and the length of daylight.

A little bit of HUMOR

Mike: Where are you going?
 Nora: I'm going to milk the cow.
 Mike: What! Not in that pretty hat?
 Nora: No, in this pail.
 Toni: Where are you from David?
 David: I am from Louisiana.
 Toni: What part?
 David: All of me.
 Sue: Who invented the grandfather clock?
 Pam: Pendulum Franklin.