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Backyard Ice Rink – Questions

Read “How to Build Your Own Ice Rink” at www.teachchildrenesl.com/icerink.htm and answer the following questions.

1. In what country was this backyard ice rink built?

2. What do you know about this country?

3. Could you build a backyard ice rink in your country? Why or why not?

4. What is one of the most important aspects of building an ice rink? Why?

5. Do you need a lot of tools to build an ice rink? How many?

6. What’s your favourite “Helpful Tip”? Why?

7. Would you rather play hockey or figure skate?

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Backyard Ice Rink – Cloze

Read the first section of “How to Build Your Own Ice Rink” at www.teachchildrenesl.com/icerink.htm and fill in the blanks in the text below. You cannot go back and read the text again, so read it carefully the first time. There are clues in the box.

Here in Canada we love to _____ skate and play _____ . The main reason to build a backyard ice rink is to have lots of _____ .

It's also a great way to get _____ during a long winter. For the novice, it's an opportunity to _____ skating or hockey skills in a stress free environment.

The convenience is unbeatable. Our _____ loves it! No need to pack everything into the car to go to an _____ for limited skate time. Whenever we want to skate we just open the back _____ to our house and go to the ice rink.

figure
door
fun
arena

family
outdoors
learn
hockey

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Backyard Ice Rink – Vocabulary Review

Working in groups or pairs, match the words at the bottom of the page with their definitions.



1. _____ The webbed rectangular cage you try to hit the puck into.
2. _____ When water turns to ice at zero degrees Celsius.
3. _____ The perimeter of the ice rink.
4. _____ To fill the rink with a layer of water to make a new surface.
5. _____ The object that is struck by the sticks in hockey.
6. _____ A sport where the participant performs patterns, jumps, and spins with skates on ice.
7. _____ An area at the back of a house usually covered with grass, gardens, or trees.
8. _____ Special shoes with steel blades at the bottom used to glide over ice.
9. _____ Used to hit the puck into the net in hockey.
10. _____ A protection device for the head and face.
11. _____ A floor or ground covered in ice and used for hockey or figure skating.
12. _____ A sport played on ice where the players try to hit a puck into a net.

BOARDS
ICE RINK
HOCKEY

SKATES
NET
PUCK

STICK
FREEZE
HELMET

BACKYARD
FLOOD
FIGURE SKATING

Solution

1. NET The webbed rectangular cage you try to hit the puck into.
2. FREEZE When water turns to ice at zero degrees Celsius.
3. BOARDS The perimeter of the ice rink.
4. FLOOD To fill the rink with a layer of water to make a new surface.
5. PUCK The object that is struck by the sticks in hockey.
6. FIGURE SKATING A sport where the participant performs patterns, jumps, and spins with skates on ice.
7. BACKYARD An area at the back of a house usually covered with grass, gardens, or trees.
8. SKATES Special shoes with steel blades at the bottom used to glide over ice.
9. STICK Used to hit the puck into the net in hockey.
10. HELMET A protection device for the head and face.
11. ICE RINK A floor or ground covered in ice and used for hockey or figure skating.
12. HOCKEY A sport played on ice where the players try to hit a puck into a net.

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Backyard Ice Rink – Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answer for each clue (A, B, C, or D)



- ___ 1. The object that is struck by the sticks in hockey.
A. ice rink B. puck C. stick D. backyard
- ___ 2. The perimeter of the ice rink.
A. net B. flood C. skates D. boards
- ___ 3. A protection device for the head and face.
A. figure skating B. helmet C. boards D. ice rink
- ___ 4. A sport played on ice where the players try to hit a puck into a net.
A. freeze B. skates C. flood D. hockey
- ___ 5. An area at the back of a house usually covered with grass, gardens, or trees.
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- ___ 6. Used to hit the puck into the net in hockey.
A. helmet B. hockey C. skates D. stick
- ___ 7. The webbed rectangular cage you try to hit the puck into.
A. net B. figure skating C. flood D. backyard
- ___ 8. To fill the rink with a layer of water to make a new surface.
A. ice rink B. net C. boards D. flood
- ___ 9. A sport where the participant performs patterns, jumps, and spins with skates on ice.
A. skates B. hockey C. figure skating D. freeze
- ___ 10. A floor or ground covered in ice and used for hockey or figure skating.
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- B 1. The object that is struck by the sticks in hockey.
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- B 3. A protection device for the head and face.
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Backyard Ice Rink – Alphabetic Order

Place the words below in alphabetical order.

- | | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| 1. <u>backyard</u> | 7. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 12. _____ |

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Word Shape

Fit the words below into the boxes.



hockey
skates

puck
stick

freeze
backyard

flood

Solutions

- | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. <u>BACKYARD</u> | 7. <u>HOCKEY</u> |
| 2. <u>BOARDS</u> | 8. <u>ICE RINK</u> |
| 3. <u>FIGURE SKATING</u> | 9. <u>NET</u> |
| 4. <u>FLOOD</u> | 10. <u>PUCK</u> |
| 5. <u>FREEZE</u> | 11. <u>SKATES</u> |
| 6. <u>HELMET</u> | 12. <u>STICK</u> |

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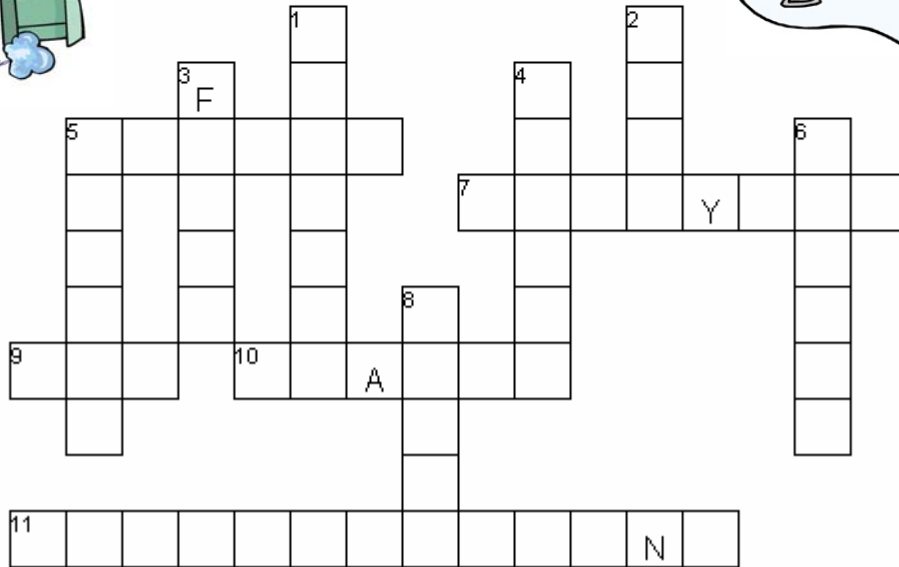
BACKYARD
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FIGURE SKATING

1. 1. s t i c k
2. 2. h o c k e y
3. 3. f l o o d
4. 4. b a c k y a r d
5. 5. f r e e z e
6. 6. s k a t e s
7. 7. p u c k

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Backyard Ice Rink – Crossword Puzzle

Use the clues to complete the crossword puzzle.



ACROSS

5. A protection device for the head and face.
7. An area at the back of a house usually covered with grass, gardens, or trees.
9. The webbed rectangular cage you try to hit the puck into.
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DOWN

1. A floor or ground covered in ice and used for hockey or figure skating.
2. The object that is struck by the sticks in hockey.
3. To fill the rink with a layer of water to make a new surface.
4. The perimeter of the ice rink.
5. A sport played on ice where the players try to hit a puck into a net.
6. When water turns to ice at zero degrees Celsius.
8. Used to hit the puck into the net in hockey.

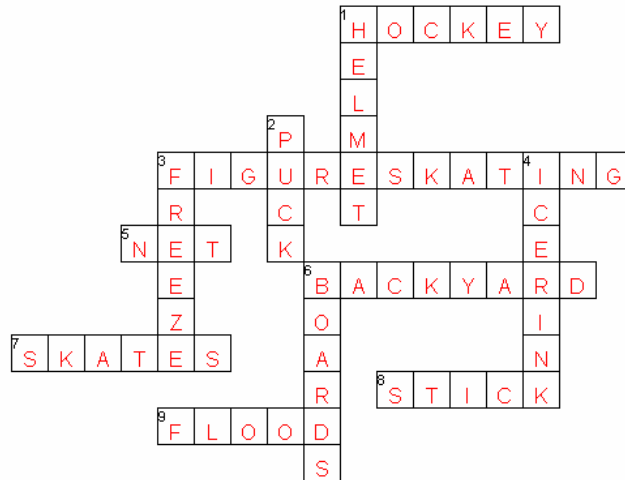
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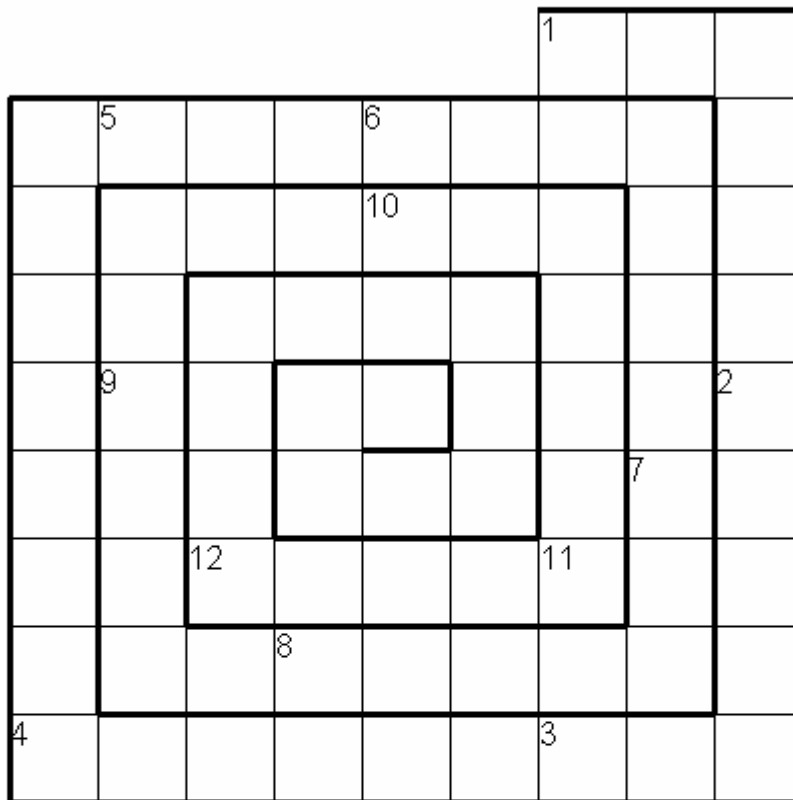
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Backyard Ice Rink – Spiral Puzzle

Rearrange the words above the skating duck so that they fit into spiral puzzle.



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Solution

								1	S	K	A
	5	D	N	E	T	6	I	C	E	R	T
		R	I	C	K	10	H	O	C	I	E
		A	T	U	R	E	S	K	N	S	
	9	Y	S	G	N	G	K	E	K	2	B
		K	D	I	I	T	A	Y	7	F	O
		C	O	12	F	K	C	U	11	P	R
		A	O	L	8	F	E	Z	E	E	R
4		B	T	E	M	L	E	3	H	S	D

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Backyard Ice Rink – CryptoSpy

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet.
Use the decoder to decrypt each word.

DECODER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Y	O	Z	I	F	Q	W	G	R	A	S	D	H	V	P	U	T	K	N	M	C	J	X	B	E	L

- 13-2-21-18-25-1 _____
- 19-25-17 _____
- 11-17-4-21-18 _____
- 24-2-10-9-12-11 _____
- 15-16-21-18 _____
- 5-9-25-25-3-25 _____
- 11-18-10-17-25-11 _____
- 13-25-26-20-25-17 _____
- 5-4-8-16-9-25-11-18-10-17-4-19-8 _____
- 5-26-2-2-12 _____
- 4-21-25-9-4-19-18 _____
- 24-10-21-18-1-10-9-12 _____

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

1. 13-2-21-18-25-1 HOCKEY
2. 19-25-17 NET
3. 11-17-4-21-18 STICK
4. 24-2-10-9-12-11 BOARDS
5. 15-16-21-18 PUCK
6. 5-9-25-25-3-25 FREEZE
7. 11-18-10-17-25-11 SKATES
8. 13-25-26-20-25-17 HELMET
9. 5-4-8-16-9-25-11-18-10-17-4-19-8 FIGURE SKATING
10. 5-26-2-2-12 FLOOD
11. 4-21-25-9-4-19-18 ICE RINK
12. 24-10-21-18-1-10-9-12 BACKYARD

BOARDS	SKATES	STICK	BACKYARD
ICE RINK	NET	FREEZE	FLOOD
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Backyard Ice Rink – Word Scramble

Unscramble the words.

1. TEN _____
2. DOOLF _____
3. YEKCOH _____
4. TEMLEH _____
5. DRAYKCAB _____
6. SETAKS _____
7. EZEERF _____
8. GNITAKSERUGIF _____
9. SDRAOB _____
10. KNIRECI _____
11. KCITS _____
12. KCUP _____

Word Find Missing Letter

Use the words at the bottom to complete this puzzle.

Each word is missing a letter in the blank column.

1.	T	F	T	U	S	E	X	A	S	K	A	T	E		Y	P	B	H	R	X	T	U	L	D	J	O	O
2.	E	M	O	H	R	T	S	T	D	H	B	I	P		C	K	L	M	Z	Q	K	M	H	Q	G	U	P
3.	J	U	D	V	N	O	Y	Q	F	R	E	E	Z		I	M	S	N	L	P	N	D	C	B	L	E	Y
4.	L	F	E	I	P	N	A	X	V	G	B	O	O		E	T	H	S	I	S	Z	Q	R	R	W	N	C
5.	Q	J	F	S	V	G	Q	H	O	E	C	H	O		K	E	Y	Y	E	K	I	Y	A	Z	X	A	R
6.	U	K	E	R	W	D	O	N	B	B	A	C	K		A	R	D	D	T	K	C	W	U	O	L	V	J
7.	I	Q	Z	H	F	I	G	U	R	E	S	K	A		I	N	G	X	O	Q	R	J	A	U	F	P	N
8.	J	G	K	N	W	P	L	W	Z	Q	T	P	F		O	O	D	V	X	P	O	R	C	I	B	Z	A
9.	H	A	F	X	U	O	K	S	I	C	E	R	I		K	F	Z	K	C	G	S	X	U	G	P	I	J
10.	P	Z	A	R	W	I	H	C	J	B	O	A	R		S	D	J	O	H	G	U	K	V	A	E	X	L
11.	A	Y	I	X	R	V	S	G	W	U	A	S	T		C	K	G	C	B	A	I	S	W	N	Q	L	K
12.	A	S	Z	V	D	W	Q	D	H	E	L	M	E		P	U	A	A	D	J	Z	F	K	E	M	V	S

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1. TEN NET
2. DOOLF FLOOD
3. YEKCOH HOCKEY
4. TEMLEH HELMET
5. DRAYKAB BACKYARD
6. SETAKS SKATES
7. EZEERF FREEZE
8. GNITAKSERUGIF FIGURE SKATING
9. SDRAOB BOARDS
10. KNIRECI ICE RINK
11. KCITS STICK
12. KCUP PUCK

1.	T	F	T	U	S	E	X	A	S	K	A	T	E	S	Y	P	B	H	R	X	T	U	L	D	J	O	O	
2.	E	M	O	H	R	T	S	T	D	H	B	I	P	U	C	K	L	M	Z	Q	K	M	H	Q	G	U	P	
3.	J	U	D	V	N	O	Y	Q	F	R	E	E	Z	E	B	I	M	S	N	L	P	N	D	C	B	L	E	Y
4.	L	F	E	I	P	N	A	X	V	G	B	O	O	N	E	T	H	S	I	S	Z	Q	R	R	W	N	C	
5.	Q	J	F	S	V	G	Q	H	O	E	C	H	O	C	K	E	Y	Y	E	K	I	Y	A	Z	X	A	R	
6.	U	K	E	R	W	D	O	N	B	B	A	C	K	Y	A	R	D	D	T	K	C	W	U	O	L	V	J	
7.	I	Q	Z	H	F	I	G	U	R	E	S	K	A	T	I	N	G	X	O	Q	R	J	A	U	F	P	N	
8.	J	G	K	N	W	P	L	W	Z	Q	T	P	F	L	O	O	D	V	X	P	O	R	C	I	B	Z	A	
9.	H	A	F	X	U	O	K	S	I	C	E	R	I	N	K	F	Z	K	C	G	S	X	U	G	P	I	J	
10.	P	Z	A	R	W	I	H	C	J	B	O	A	R	D	S	D	J	O	H	G	U	K	V	A	E	X	L	
11.	A	Y	I	X	R	V	S	G	W	U	A	S	T	I	C	K	G	C	B	A	I	S	W	N	Q	L	K	
12.	A	S	Z	V	D	W	Q	D	H	E	L	M	E	T	P	U	A	A	D	J	Z	F	K	E	M	V	S	

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Backyard Ice Rink – Word Link

Connect the first part of each word in the left column with its ending in the right column. Write the ending of the word in the blank space provided.

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|-----------|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1. FRE | EZE | _____● | ● MET |
| 2. SKA | | _____● | ● RDS |
| 3. PU | | _____● | ● KEY |
| 4. FL | | _____● | ● RINK |
| 5. HEL | | _____● | ● EZE |
| 6. FIGURE | | _____● | ● TES |
| 7. ICE | | _____● | ● CK |
| 8. HOC | | _____● | ● T |
| 9. BOA | | _____● | ● OOD |
| 10. ST | | _____● | ● SKATING |
| 11. BACK | | _____● | ● YARD |
| 12. NE | | _____● | ● ICK |

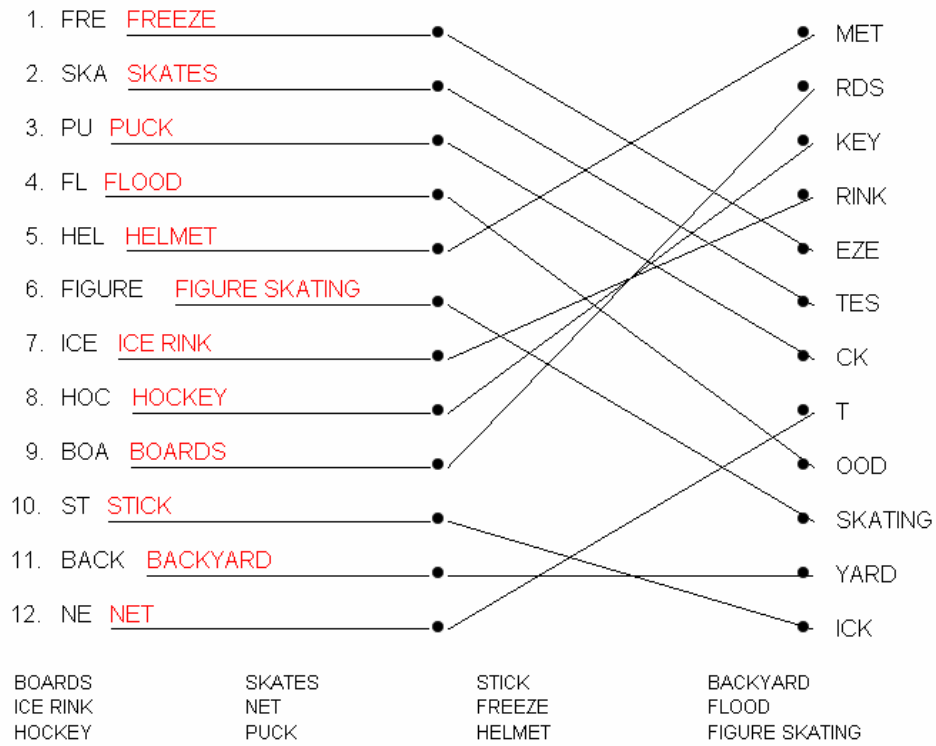
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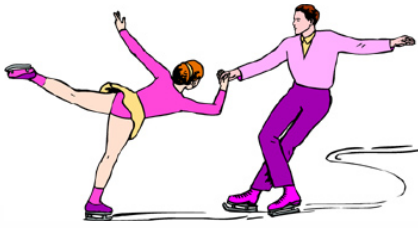
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Backyard Ice Rink – Word Search

Find the words in the red box.

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

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