

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

THE LONG HAUL

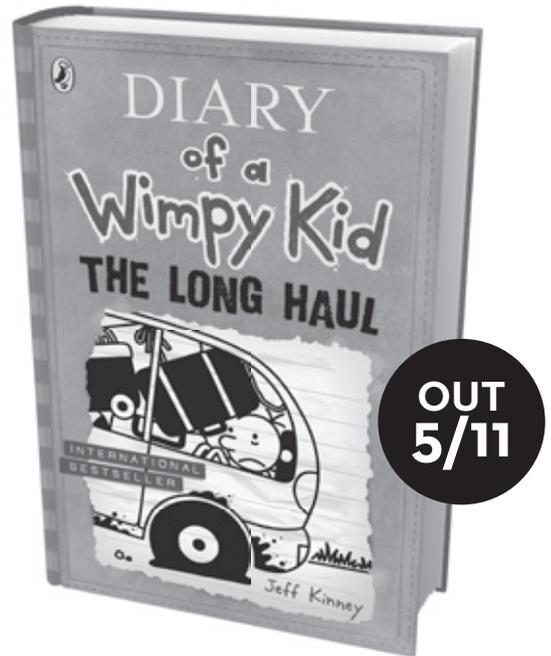
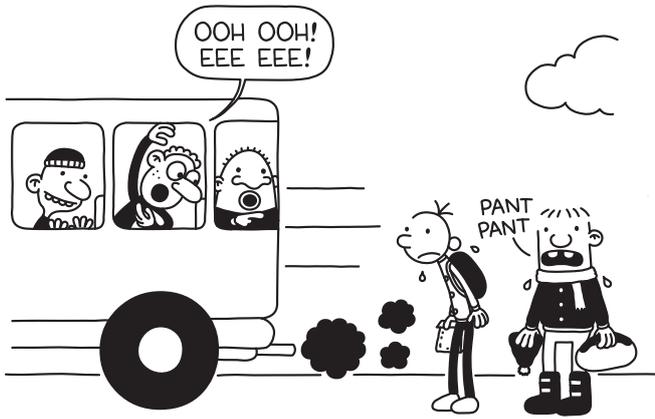
EVENT PACK



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GETTING STARTED

Thank you for celebrating the DIARY OF A WIMPY KID book series with this event pack.

The ninth book in the DIARY OF A WIMPY KID series is called *The Long Haul* and will publish in the UK on 5th November 2014. We know you'll have lots of excited young readers who can't wait to read it, but in the meantime this event pack includes suggestions for games that will help keep them entertained in the build-up to publication!

You can pick and choose which of these activities will work best for the size and age range of your group and, with a mix of solo creative tasks and some noise-raising team games, you can put them in any order you like. There are also a number of activity sheets at the back of this guide that can be reproduced and distributed for fans to have fun with right away or to take home and enjoy later.

SOME OTHER IDEAS TO ENHANCE YOUR ROAD TRIP EVENT:

Play dress-up. Encourage fans to come dressed as Greg or any other Wimpy Kid character. Or have them come dressed in head-to-toe orange to match the cover of *The Long Haul*. Arrange a costume parade through your school, library or bookshop.

Get drawing. Set aside some drawing time and create a "gallery" with the finished works. Ask fans to draw their favourite moments from the books, come up with their own Wimpy Kid stories, or invent entirely new characters. They could also create their own book cover design using the activity-sheet template at the back of this pack. The goal is to showcase their creativity.

Serve Wimpy Kid-themed snacks. Serve M&M's® or Skittles® that match the colours of all of the books, decorate a cake or cupcakes to look like Greg's head, or run an orange-only event with orange juice, Jaffa cakes and cheesy crisps!

There are millions of ways to have fun *Wimpy Kid*-style and we hope this pack will help you create an event that's fun for everyone – whether the size of your group is four or forty.

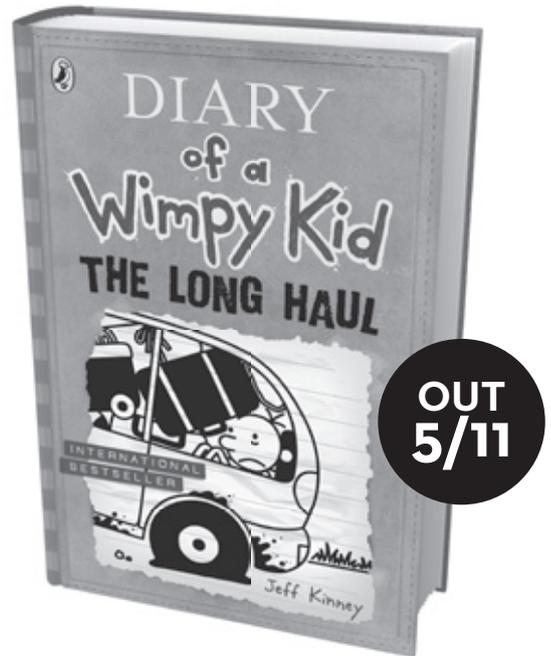
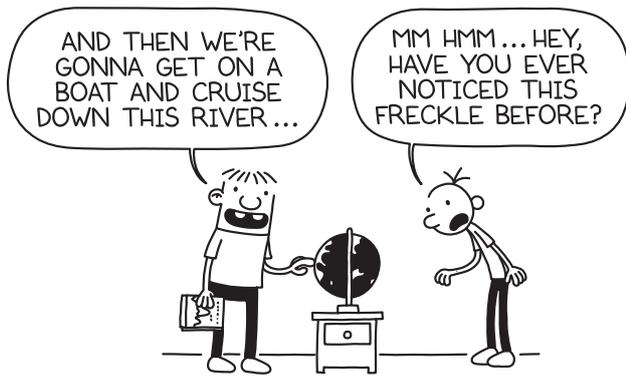
Thank you again and have a great time!

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THE SECRET WORD GAME

SETTING UP:

This game can be played in a group of up to eight players. If you have a large group, select random people from the audience to participate and bring them to the front of the room. If you have a small group, everyone can play. First, cut out the cards on the next three pages. Then divide the participants into two teams and hand out a stack of cards to each team. Someone will need to take the role of Moderator for this game.

HOW TO PLAY:

1. One team is selected to go first. A player from that team is designated as the first Reader.
2. The Reader's job is to convey the "secret word" at the top of the card in a way that will allow his or her teammates to guess what the secret word is.
3. The trick is that the Reader is not allowed to use any of the forbidden words printed on the card. The Moderator must look over the Reader's shoulder to make sure he or she doesn't say any of the forbidden words.
4. If the Reader says a forbidden word, he or she loses a point and must move on to the next card.
5. The Reader has one minute to convey as many secret words as possible. Once the minute is up, the Reader's score is tallied and the points go to the Reader's team. Then the next team gets a turn using their stack of cards.
6. A new Reader is picked every time a team has a new turn. The game ends when everyone has had a chance to go or when the cards run out, and the team with the highest number of points wins.
7. If this game is played in front of a large group, it would be best for the Moderator to write the secret word on an easel that everyone in the audience can see, so as to make it more fun for the audience.

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THE SECRET WORD GAME (CARDS)

SECRET WORD

Fregley

FORBIDDEN WORDS

weird
strange
freckle
glasses
hygiene



SECRET WORD

diary

FORBIDDEN WORDS

book
journal
wimpy
kid
red

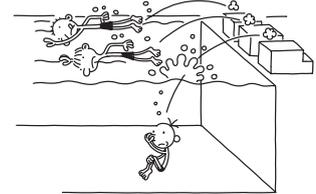


SECRET WORD

swimming pool

FORBIDDEN WORDS

water
splash
dive
armband
lifeguard



SECRET WORD

suitcase

FORBIDDEN WORDS

box
pack
bag
luggage



SECRET WORD

passport

FORBIDDEN WORDS

photo
border
stamp



SECRET WORD

I spy

FORBIDDEN WORDS

game
travel
see
letter

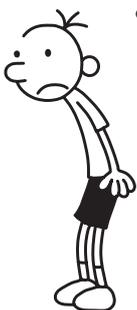


SECRET WORD

Greg

FORBIDDEN WORDS

wimpy
kid
character
Rowley
cover

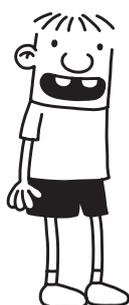


SECRET WORD

Rowley

FORBIDDEN WORDS

friend
Zoo-Wee Mama
Greg
cheese
Joshie



SECRET WORD

book

FORBIDDEN WORDS

paper
wimpy
journal
diary
pages

READING IS FUN



THE SECRET WORD GAME (CARDS)

SECRET WORD
beach

FORBIDDEN WORDS
sand
yellow
seaside



SECRET WORD
orange

FORBIDDEN WORDS
long
haul
colour
book
nine



SECRET WORD
spade

FORBIDDEN WORDS
bucket
dig
shovel



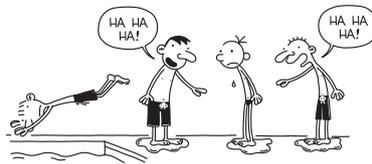
SECRET WORD
camera

FORBIDDEN WORDS
photograph
flash
picture



SECRET WORD
swimsuit

FORBIDDEN WORDS
swim
bikini
trunks



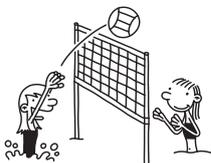
SECRET WORD
ice cream

FORBIDDEN WORDS
cone
cold
chocolate flake



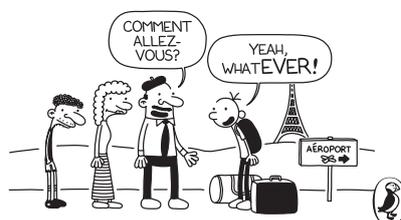
SECRET WORD
volleyball

FORBIDDEN WORDS
game
ball
play
sport



SECRET WORD
postcard

FORBIDDEN WORDS
picture
post
letter
stamp



SECRET WORD
summer

FORBIDDEN WORDS
sun
ice cream
holidays
seaside



THE SECRET WORD GAME (CARDS)

SECRET WORD

boat

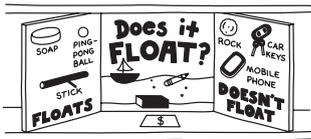
FORBIDDEN WORDS

sail

float

anchor

flag



SECRET WORD

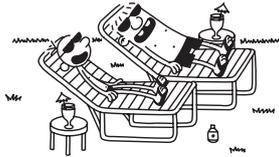
sunglasses

FORBIDDEN WORDS

eyes

shades

dark



SECRET WORD

car

FORBIDDEN WORDS

wheels

windscreen

road



SECRET WORD

flip-flops

FORBIDDEN WORDS

sandals

shoes

toes

feet



SECRET WORD

hat

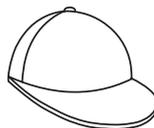
FORBIDDEN WORDS

head

protection

shade

cap



SECRET WORD

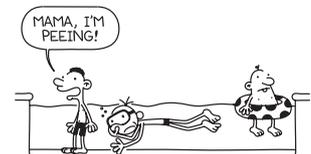
sun cream

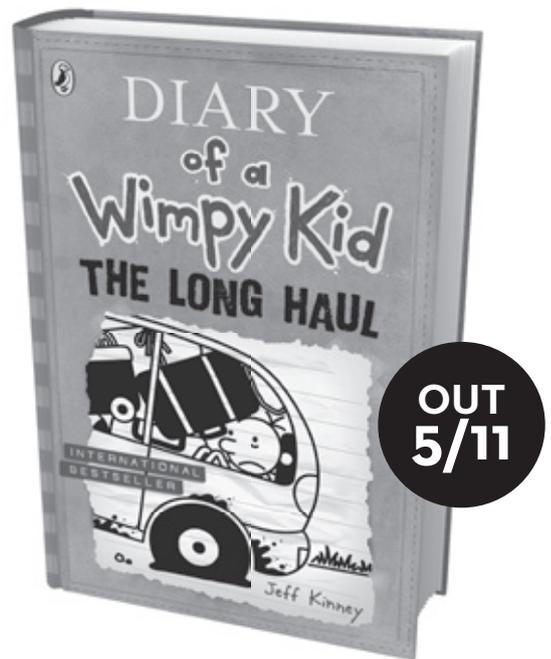
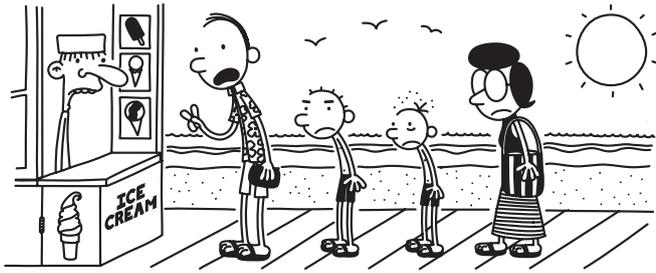
FORBIDDEN WORDS

protection

white

sun





THE COUNTRY GAME

SETTING UP:

This game can be played in a group of any size.

HOW TO PLAY:

1. One player is selected to go first and they have to name a country. The next player will then have to name a place that starts with the last letter of the first country. For example: player one says Greece, player two says Egypt, player three says Turkey and so on . . .
2. If a player takes longer than 10 seconds to think of a country name they will be eliminated. The game will continue until a player can't think of a country. The last person to name a country is the champion. This can also be played in teams to speed it up.

ALPHABET PACKING

SETTING UP:

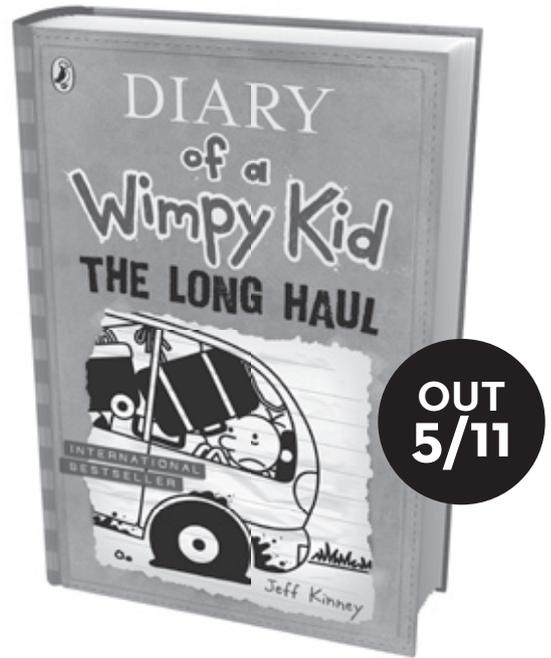
The aim of this game is to decide what to pack to take on holiday from player to player, going right through the alphabet.

HOW TO PLAY:

1. Player one thinks of an item to pack beginning with an A and says, for example: 'I went on holiday and I packed an Armband'. The second player carries the tale on by naming an object beginning with B: 'I went on holiday and I packed an Armband and a Bucket.' On it goes: 'I went on holiday and I packed an Armband, a Bucket and a Camera' . . . until (if you're all clever enough) you get to Z.
2. Each item must have something to do with holidays, packing or travelling. Any player who fails to think of a suitable object within a short time-limit (say, five seconds) must drop out.

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THE SHAME GAME

SETTING UP:

Everyone in attendance (even adults) stands up. The Moderator reads the below statements. After each statement is read, the people for whom the statement is not true sit down. The winner is the last person (or people) standing.

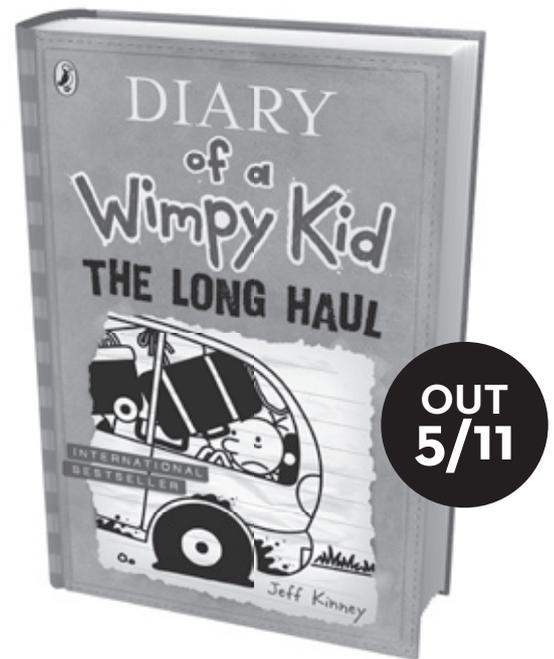
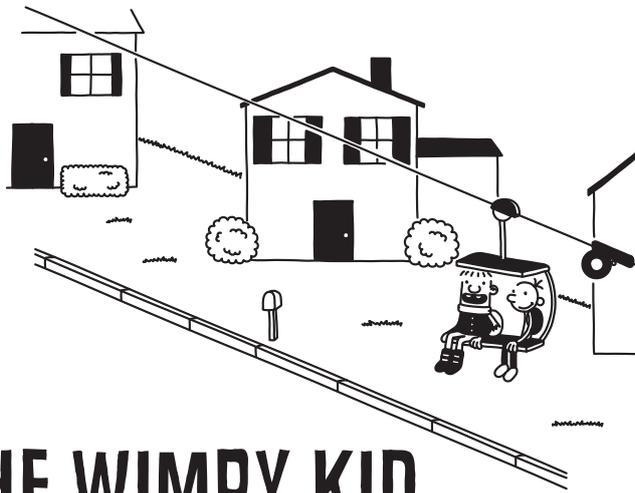
SHAMES

1. I've left rubbish behind in the car.
2. I've argued with a brother/sister/friend while in a car.
3. I've pretended to listen when other people talk about their holidays.
4. I've gone more than three days without bathing.
5. I've been sent home from a friend's house before dessert.
6. I've gone on holiday and forgotten my swimsuit.
7. I've been sick from eating too much ice cream.
8. I've gone on holiday with my friend and his/her family and have wanted to come home early.
9. I've spent a day on the beach without sun cream on.
10. My friends have brought me back presents from their holidays and I've given them away.
11. I've lied to my friends about where I've been on holiday.
12. I've taken my books to school in a suitcase.
13. I've tried to act really cool by the pool to impress the lifeguard.
14. I've received a letter from someone I met on holiday and never wrote back.
15. I've been made to play family games on holiday and didn't want to.
16. I didn't really want to play this game.

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THE WIMPY KID ROAD TRIP TRIVIA GAME

SETTING UP:

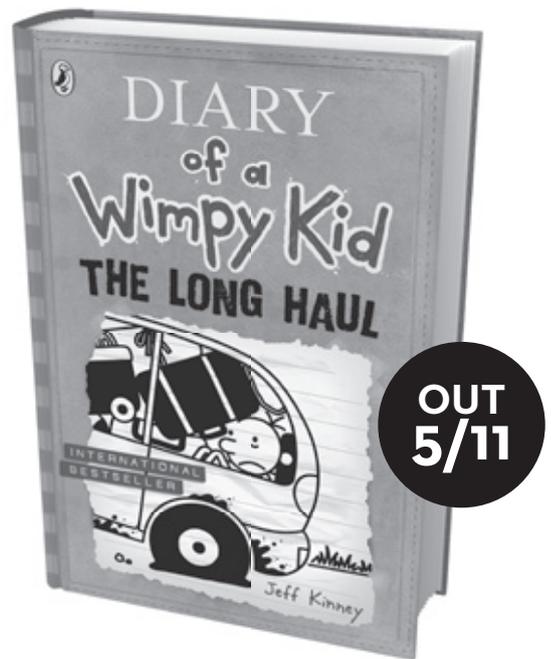
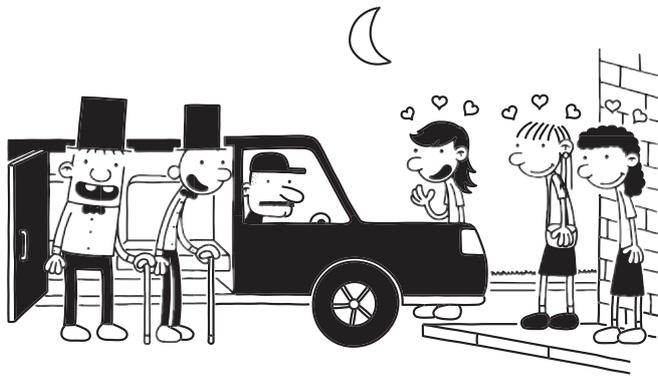
A Moderator should read the questions while a Spotter watches for participants raising their hands. For younger children/newer Wimpy Kid fans you might like to provide a set of books so they can find the answers more easily!

QUESTIONS

1. Who does Greg try to impress by the pool in book four: *Dog Days*? **(Holly Hills)**
2. What is the name of the book club that Greg's mom sets up in book four: *Dog Days*?
Is it: **a) Reading is Cool, b) Reading is Fun, or c) Reading is Awesome?** **(Answer: Reading is Fun)**
3. Why was Greg trapped indoors with his family during the Christmas holidays in book six: *Cabin Fever*?
(He got snowed in)
4. In book five: *The Ugly Truth*, Greg's school announces a special fundraiser for the music programme called a ___? **(Lock-In)**
5. True or false: Rowley felt really sick after riding the Cranium Shaker in book four: *Dog Days*.
(False - it was Greg)
6. Who wins 'Athlete of the Month' in book one? **(P. Mudd)**
7. Where did Rowley go on holiday in book two: *Rodrick Rules*? **(Australia)**
8. What's the name of the lawn-care company that Greg and Rowley start in book four: *Dog Days*?
Was it: **a) V.I.P. Lawn Service, b) Mowers 'R' Us, or c) Gardeners Inc.?** **(Answer: V.I.P. Lawn Service)**
9. What do the Heffleys name their dog in book four: *Dog Days*? **(Sweetie)**
10. What did Manny shoot out of his nose when Greg made him laugh in the car in book two: *Rodrick Rules* (GROSS!)? **(Apple juice)**

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THE WIMPY KID ROAD TRIP TRIVIA GAME

QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

11. True or false: Greg's pen pal is named Mamadou. **(True)**
12. In which book did Mom and Dad go away and leave Greg and Rodrick in charge for the night?
(Book 2: Rodrick Rules)
13. How many people had to share the ice-cream cone that Mrs Jefferson bought while on holiday in book four: *Dog Days*? Was it: **a) One, b) Six, or c) Four?** **(Answer: Four)**
14. True or false: Mom has a TeddyCuddles bumper sticker on her car. **(False)**
15. Where did Greg and Rowley's family stay during their holiday in book four?
Was it **a) Noisy Beach, b) Tranquil Lake, or c) Quiet Cove?** **(Answer: Quiet Cove)**
16. What does Greg use to take his books to school in book eight: *Hard Luck*? **(A wheeled suitcase)**
17. What is the name of Rowley's comic strip that becomes a catchphrase? **(Zoo-wee mama!)**
18. In what type of transport does Greg want to arrive at the big Valentine's Dance in book three: *The Last Straw*? **(A limousine)**
19. Why didn't Greg, Roderick and their dad stay at the campsite at the end of book three: *The Last Straw*?
Was it: **a) There was a bear attack, b) It was raining, or c) There were too many spiders?**
(Answer: It was raining)
20. Why did Greg pass the geography exam really easily in book one? **(He sat next to the world map)**

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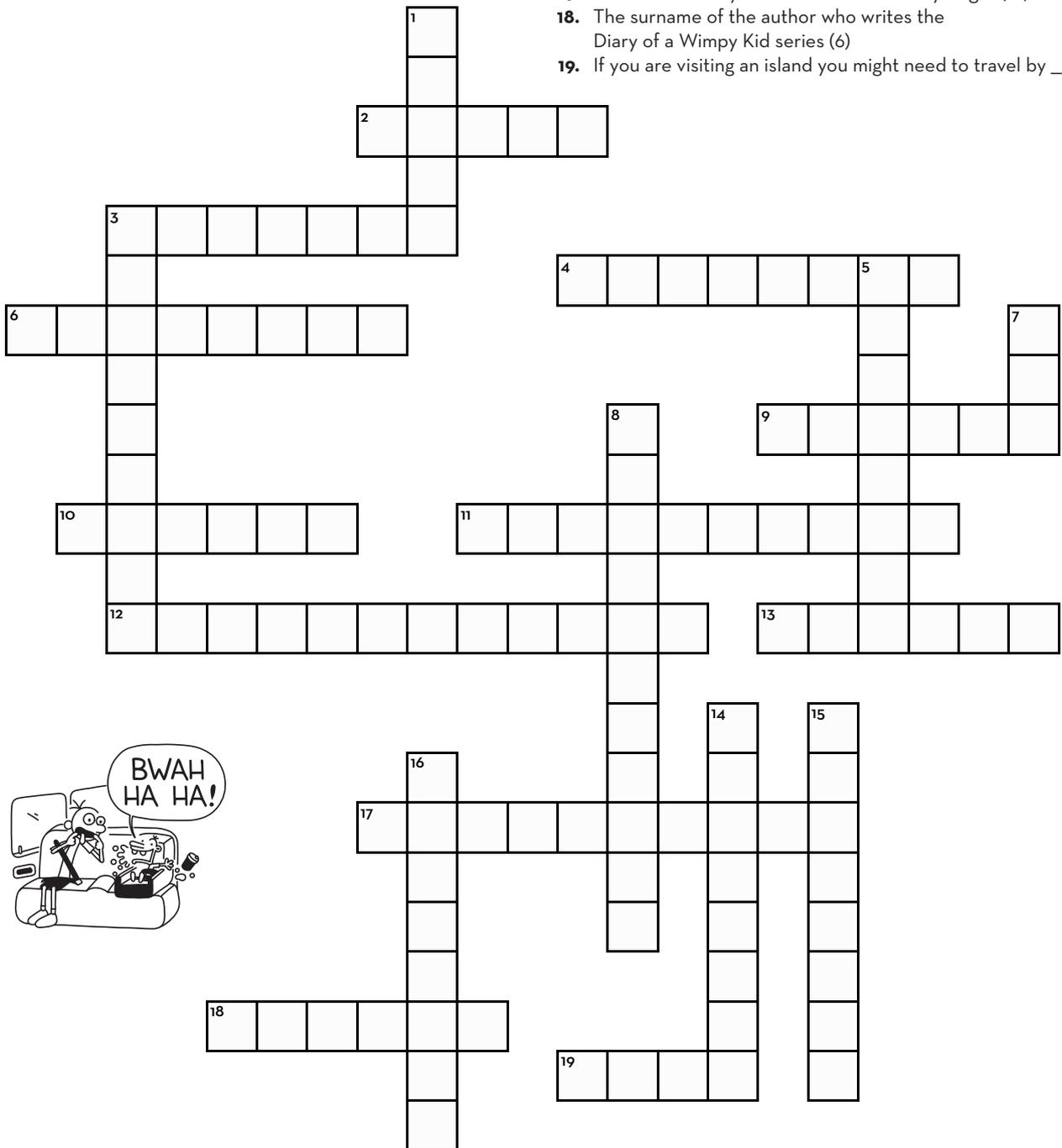
Diary of a Wimpy Kid CROSSWORD

DOWN

1. Your top-secret book is called a (5)
3. Footwear most commonly worn on the beach (4-5)
5. A delicious cold treat served in a cone (3,5)
7. Worn on your head to protect you from the sun (3)
8. The title of the ninth Diary of a Wimpy Kid book (3,4,4)
14. The one thing you must never forget when boarding a plane! (8)
15. You might send one of these home to your grandma to tell her about your holiday (8)
16. Use this to make sure you don't burn! (3,5)

ACROSS

2. Greg's spoilt-rotten toddler brother (5)
3. Greg's strange neighbour with freckles and glasses (7)
4. Whether it's trunks, a bikini or speedos, don't forget your ____ (8)
6. Your luggage is carried in a ____ (8)
9. You use a ____ and spade to make sandcastles (6)
10. Greg's best friend's name (6)
11. The name of Rodrick's band (careful of the spelling!) (5,5)
12. It's nice to take a dip in this to cool down on a holiday (8,4)
13. What you use to take your holiday snaps (6)
17. Worn over the eyes when the sun is really bright (10)
18. The surname of the author who writes the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series (6)
19. If you are visiting an island you might need to travel by __ (4)



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SQUARES

A fun paper-and-pencil game useful for rainy days, travelling or just for spare moments when you want to play a good puzzle game.



HOW TO PLAY:

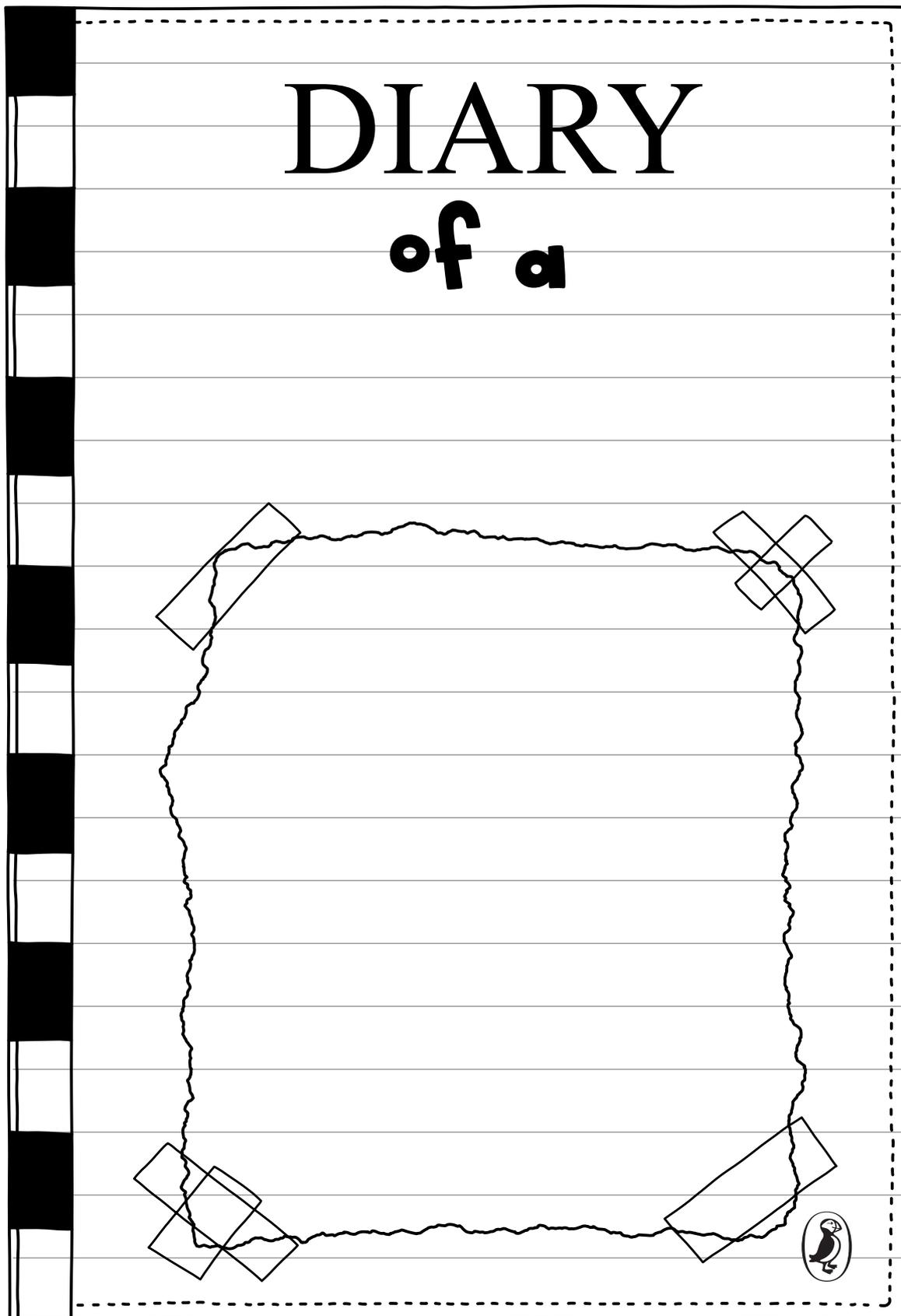
1. This is a two player game. Each player will need a pencil.
2. The aim of the game is to make as many squares as you can, while trying to stop the other player from making their own squares.
3. Using the grids below (you can start with 'easy' and work your way up to 'hard') player one makes a line joining two dots. Then player two makes a line joining two dots, and so on.
4. For a while it is easy, but soon there aren't as many dots spare, and you need to plan carefully to stop the other player from forming squares.
5. If you complete a square you can take another turn straight away. You might be able to make even more squares this way.
6. If you can't make any more squares add another line somewhere else and it's the next player's turn.
7. Add your initials into every square you complete so it's easy to count the score at the end. The player who has the most squares at the end of the game is the winner!

<p>Easy</p>			
<p>Medium</p>			
<p>Hard</p>			

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DESIGN YOUR OWN COVER



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