

**Task 1: Read the following story (access from Benchmark) and answer the questions. Be sure to scroll all the way down for your second task.**

## **Johnny Appleseed Gets His Name**

**1.**All of the following statements support the idea that Johnny was odd except...

- a. Johnny did not like to wear shoes in the summer.
- b. Johnny liked how snow felt on his bare feet.
- c. Johnny used leaves as a blanket.
- d. Johnny's favorite thing to do was tend to the trees in the orchard.

**2.**When Johnny was 18 why did he leave home?

- a. Johnny got a job on an apple orchard.
- b. Johnny got married.
- c. Johnny wanted to bring apples to west coast.
- d. Johnny wanted to see the world.

**3.**All of the following are examples of figurative language except...

- a. The bottoms of his feet were as rough as an elephant's hide.
- b. A big lightbulb turned on inside his head.
- c. You are not some type of animal that lives outside.
- d. The flavor was a party for his taste buds.

**4.**Which question is answered on page 8 and 9?

- a. How did Johnny's mom feel when he left home at 18?
- b. How did Johnny get water to drink when the ground was frozen?
- c. Why did Johnny not like to wear shoes?
- d. How many states did Johnny plant apple seeds in?

**5.**Which of the following is a good summary for page 9?

- a. Johnny planted seeds from Pennsylvania to the Great Plains.
- b. People made fun of Johnny as he planted apple seeds in the Ohio Valley.
- c. It was more important to grow corn and wheat rather than apples.
- d. Johnny wanted to make the world his garden of apples.

**Task 2: Choose 1 of the following options.**

**Option 1:** Blackout Poetry. Create a poem by taking some type of text such as a magazine or newspaper and blacking out words until a poem is formed. For more information on this type of poem click on the following link.

[Blackout Poetry](#)

**Option 2:** Haiku Poem. A Haiku is a Japanese poem that includes 3 lines. The first line has 5 syllables, the second line has 7 syllables, and the third line has 5 syllables. The subject of your poem can be anything. Here is an example of a Haiku poem.

**School is Over**

The class is vacant  
The bright sun is beaming high  
Summertime is here

**Option 3:** Shape Poem. A shape poem is a poem that takes on the shape of the thing you are writing about. Whatever you decide to write about, make sure you can draw it! Here is an example of a shape poem.

"Rain,  
Rain. Go away.  
Come again another day."  
Rain, Rain. Go away! Rain, Rain.  
You make me sad. Rain, Rain. You make  
Me mad. Rain, Rain. You make the roads slick and wet.  
Rain, Rain. You make my hair a big mess. Rain, Rain. You  
tend to make me quite upset. Rain, Rain. I like you less and less.  
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