October Brainwork

*“No bubble is so iridescent or floats longer than that blown by the successful teacher.” William Osler*

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| You have just seen a very bright flash of red light! Write a story about what happened just before you saw it. | Make a list of things that are better with holes. | Oct. 1, 1971 – Disney World in Orlando opened. Design a new attraction to be added to celebrate its centennial in 2071. | October is “Computer Learning Month”. Which piece of technology would you most like to be? Why? | In what ways is thinking like a pumpkin seed? Like an acorn? |
| Which presidential/vice presidential candidate would you most like to meet? What questions would you have for him/her? | Would you be interested in becoming a “psammophile”? If so, what would you be collecting? | If the oceans are the ice cream, then what are the whales? The shells? The coral reef? | Oct. 9, 1877 – American Humane Assn. established in Cleveland, Ohio. Write a “Bill of Rights” for animals. | Oct. 11, 1984 – Astronaut Kathleen Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space. Who would you assign to an all-women crew on the next space mission? |
| Oct. 14, 1926 – Winnie-the-Pooh first published in London. Write a story about a new adventure for Pooh, Piglet and Tigger. | Which shape is the most serious – a cube, a sphere or a pyramid? Which one would you want to be? Why? | Finish these:  “If pickles had their way, hamburgers would…”  “If maps could think, drivers would…” | How is homework like a peanut butter and jelly sandwich? | Rank order from greatest to least importance to you:  Fame  Fortune  Power |
| Decode:  7 D in a W (7 days in a week)  2 E on your F (2 eyes on your face)  7 W of the W (7 wonders of the world)  Make up your own phrases. | You plant a magic bean. On day 1 it is 1 foot tall. Each day it doubles its height from the day before. How tall is it by the end of the first week? | Mystery Number  I am an even number with 2 digits. I am divisible by 5 and 7. Who am I?  Make up a mystery number for a friend to solve. | You have just won the contest for the best fall story! Your prize is 200 pumpkins dumped in your front yard! Think of at least 5 things you could do with them. | October 25 – “Make a Difference Day” – Try to make a positive difference in the lives of at least 3 people with whom you come in contact today. |
| Oct. 28, 1886 – Statue of Liberty unveiled. It is approximately 300 feet tall. How many times taller is it than you? Its right arm is 42 feet long. How many times longer than your arm? | Which letter of the alphabet is the scariest? Which number is the scariest? | Oct. 29, 1929 – Stock Market Crash. If an investor had bought 1000 shares of stock for $28 per share on Oct. 28 and had to sell them for $4.50 a share on Oct. 29, how much money was lost? | Juan, Juanita, Marie & Ramon are 10, 12, 13 & 14. Marie is older than Ramon & younger than Juan. Juanita is younger than Marie & older than Ramon. What is each child’s age? | Oct. 31 – National Magic Day in honor of magician Harry Houdini who died in 1926. Tell about something that you think is magical. |

*Increase Your Vocabulary! “O” words for October – objurgate – obsequious – opprobrious – opsimathy – otiose*