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WILLIAM RICKENBACKER AND ELIZABETH BASLER MARRIED AND SETTLED IN COLUMBUS, OHIO. THEIR THIRD CHILD, EDWARD, WAS BORN ON OCTOBER 8, 1890.

EDDIE WAS THE LEADER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD “HORSEHEAD GANG.” THE GANG LIKED TO BUILD AND RACE PUSHMOBILES.
Eddie worked and invented many things as a boy. Unscramble these words to find some of the things he did.

1) DPIKCE BREWRARSSITE
2) TUILB SHUMBIPOELS
3) DEAM A YFILGN CINEAHM
4) CTEDLLOCE NUJK
EDDIE STARTED WORKING WHEN HE WAS 6 YEARS OLD. HE COLLECTED JUNK, PICKED STRAWBERRIES, AND SOLD NEWSPAPERS.

EDDIE TRIED TO MAKE A FLYING MACHINE FROM A BIKE AND AN UMBRELLA. IT DID NOT WORK.
TOOLS AND RIDDLES

Look at all the jobs Eddie had. Pick out the tools he and the men used.

1. 'Til I get a hole in me, I work great! I'm a ____________________________.

2. My head hurts 'cause people are always pounding it. I'm a ________________.

3. I'm like a tree 'cause I have leaves. I'm a ____________________________.

4. I'm usually round and have a pointed end. People get mad when I break at the wrong time. I'm a ________________________________.

5. My name rhymes with an artist's palette. I'm a ____________________________.

6. Stick me into the engine of your car and I'll tell you if you need any oil. I'm a ________________________________.
HIS FATHER DIED WHEN EDDIE WAS 13 YEARS OLD. EDDIE QUIT SCHOOL AND WENT TO WORK. HE HAD MANY DIFFERENT JOBS.

EDDIE'S INTEREST IN AUTOMOBILES STARTED WHEN HE WENT TO WORK IN A GARAGE. HE REALIZED HE NEEDED MORE EDUCATION. HE STUDIED AT HOME.
MECHANICS' CODE

Solve the code to learn an important rule for all mechanics.

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Make up another rule for mechanics and test the code on a friend.
BY THE TIME HE WAS 17, EDDIE WAS AN EXCELLENT MECHANIC.
RICKENBACKER: THE MAN

The cars Eddie sold and raced looked very different from today's cars. Match the car parts to the correct car by drawing a line from the part to the car.

- Wheels
- Steering wheel
- Horn
- Starter
- Headlights
RICKENBACKER: THE MAN

EDDIE BECAME AN AUTOMOBILE SALES MANAGER. AT THE AGE OF 19, HE ALSO BEGAN RACING CARS.
RACEWAY MATH

Solve the problems to name the famous auto raceway Eddie once owned.

\[ \text{A} = 5 \times 2 \quad \text{D} = 6 + 8 \quad \text{S} = 5 \times 5 \quad \text{I} = 21 \div 3 \quad \text{N} = 12 \times 4 \]

\[ \text{O} = 36 \div 4 \quad \text{L} = 9 + 8 \quad \text{P} = 16 + 16 \]

7 48 14 7 10 48 10 32 9 17 7 25
WHILE IN HIS EARLY 20s, HE BECAME OWNER OF A RACING TEAM. WHEN WORLD WAR I STARTED, EDDIE WAS EARNING $60,000 PER YEAR.
SEEK A WORD

Find the names of planes and cars that Eddie flew and drove.

MASON
MAXWELL
PEUGOT
DUESENBERG
RICKENBACKER

SPAD
SCOUT
FOKKER
DOUGLAS DC
FORD

ANSWER ON PAGE 20
He joined the army during World War I and became a driver for General John J. Pershing. He became interested in aviation and learned to fly while in France.
PEOPLE AND PLACES OF WORLD WAR I

Add and subtract the right letters and you'll find the names of famous people and places of World War I.

1. Generous-ous+loyal-loy | Jonathon-nathon+hn | Jerry-erry |
   Period-iod+mush-mu+ing = ________________________________

2. Billing-ing+yelp-elp | Mitt-t+church-urch+pell-p = _________________________

3. Theme-me | Rest-st+d | Baseball-seball+race-ace+son-s = ________________

4. Pal-l+maris-ma, | Fragile-agile+ancy-y+end-nd = ____________________

5. Harry-rry+the-he | inside-side | there-re | Rings-s | S+quad+r+on = __________
Captain Rickenbacker shot down 26 enemy aircraft during World War I. He returned to the United States as America's "ace of aces." He was awarded the Medal of Honor, our nation's highest military decoration.
AVIATION CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. The motor of the airplane
3. The person who flies the airplane
7. A machine that flies through air
9. What holds you in your seat
12. The mixture of gas that surrounds the earth
14. A clear cover over the cockpit of the airplane
16. An opening to go out of
18. The blades which pull the airplane through the air

DOWN
2. The wheel assembly
4. A record of the pilot’s or airplane’s flying time
5. The back part of the airplane with small wing-like parts
6. A communication device
8. A type of airplane without propellers
10. What pilots in trouble do
11. An airplane’s nose-down plunge toward the earth
12. First letter of the alphabet
13. A control surface of the airplane which rhymes with slap
15. The sideways rotation of the airplane which rhymes with jaw
17. A compass heading

ANSWER ON PAGE 20
AFTER WORLD WAR I, EDDIE STARTED FLORIDA AIRWAYS AIRLINE. THIS AIRLINE LATER BECAME PART OF EASTERN AIRLINES.
GEOMETRY TREASURE HUNT

Count the circles, squares, triangles, and rectangles by coloring them in on the plane.

Circles - blue

Squares - green

Triangles - red

Rectangles - yellow
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ANSWERS TO ACTIVITIES

Pg. 2  WORD SCRAMBLE
1) Picked Strawberries
2) Built Pushmobiles
3) Made a Flying Machine
4) Collected Junk

Pg. 4  TOOLS AND RIDDLES
1) BUCKET
2) HAMMER
3) BOOK
4) PENCIL
5) MALLET
6) DIPSTICK

Pg. 6  MECHANICS’ CODE
GOOD MECHANICS KEEP THEIR TOOLS CLEAN.

Pg. 8  RICKENBACKER: THE MAN

Pg. 10  RACEWAY MATH
A = 5x2 = 10  D = 6 + 8 = 14  S = 5x5 = 25  I = 21 ÷ 3 = 7
N = 12x4 = 48  O = 36 ÷ 4 = 9  L = 9 + 8 = 17  P = 16 + 16 = 32

INDIANAPOLIS
7  48  14  7  10  48  10  32  9  17  7  25

Pg. 12  SEEK A WORD

Pg. 16  AVIATION CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Pg. 14  PEOPLE AND PLACES OF WORLD WAR I
1. General John J. Pershing
2. Billy Mitchell
3. The Red Baron
4. Pers, France
5. Hat-in-the-Ring Squadron