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PLAYING WITH PUNS

In Smudge's journal, you learned that puns are jokes that use words that sound similar or words that having more than one meaning. Each one starts with a pun setup and ends with a payoff (the play on words that makes it funny). Use the bank of pun payoffs to complete the pun setups below!

PUN PAYOFFS

It was otter chaos!

Bass-ball!

They have a dry sense of humor!

They make everything up!

Planet ahead of time!

Fruit flies like a banana!

1. Why can't towels tell jokes? _____

2. How do you throw a great party in outer space? _____

3. Why don't scientists trust atoms? _____

4. What is a musician's favorite sport? _____

5. Time flies like an arrow, _____

6. Some animals escaped from the aquarium. _____

In each pun, can you circle the 2 words that make it funny? Think about which words have similar meanings or more than one meaning.

For each pun setup below, try to write the pun payoff. There are clues to help you.



1. Why are frogs so happy? (Clue: bugs)

2. How did a picture end up in jail? (Clue: frame)

3. How do you catch a squirrel? (Clue: tree, nuts)

4. Why is your math book unhappy? (Clue: problem)

5. Why did I eat my homework? (Clue: cake)
