#### **Hidden Objects**

Can you find all of the objects listed? Answers are in the back.

Note! Do not mark up this page. Make copies so that you can replay with others. Just make your own list.

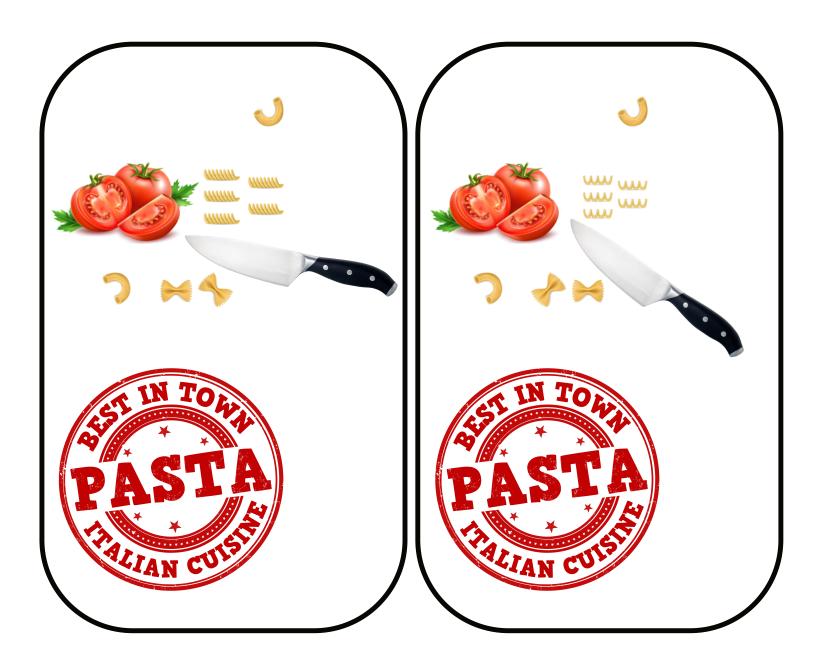


Open padlock Ambulance Ice cream bar Dolphin Swaddled triplets Shopping cart Helicopter Medium fries Fish Hook Tennis racquet



#### Spot the Difference #1

Find five differences between the two images. Answers are in the back.





#### Spot the Difference #2

Find eight differences between the two images. Answers are in the back.

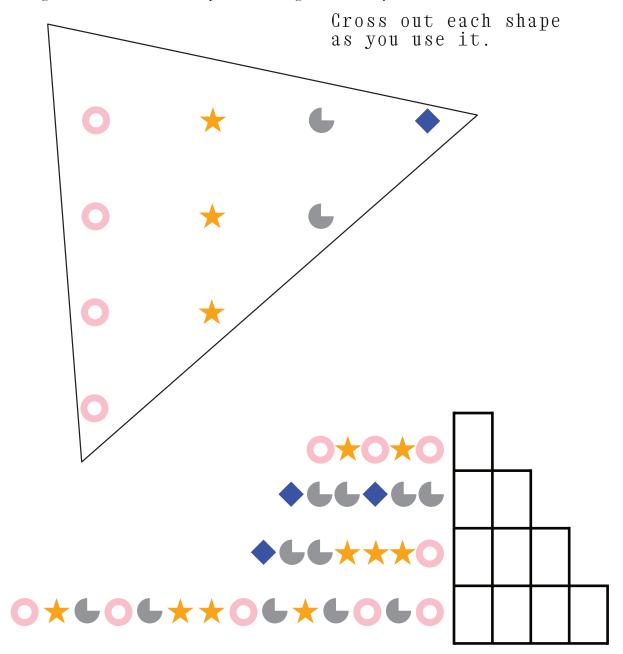






#### What Comes Next?

Choose the shape that should go into each box. Each shape in the triangle is used only once. Answers are in the back.





# Covert Opus

Here is your chance to flex your observation and interpretation skills. The images you are about to see are contrived to hide connections. Each image centers around a single theme, which is represented by words, phrases and cultural references. The first image will be explained. The rest have a hint to get you on the right path.

Answers are on last page.

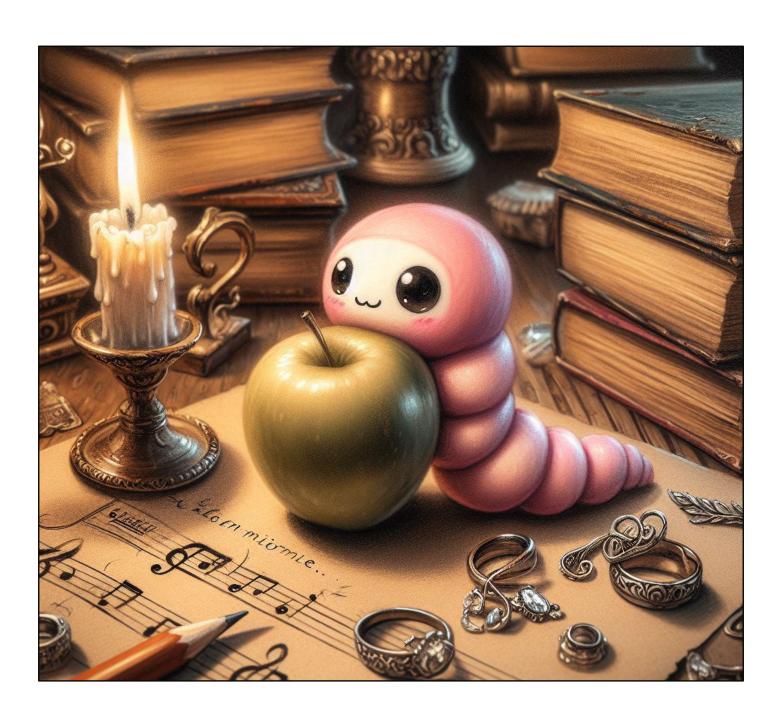


The theme is homonyms of rain: raindrops; rein (deer, bridle); reign (king)

The last may be considered a bit of a stretch, since reign is only referenced, not visible.

In general, the theme will be [something] of [word], where something will be either specific or general ("related to", "part of", etc.)





### worm





### bone





### albums

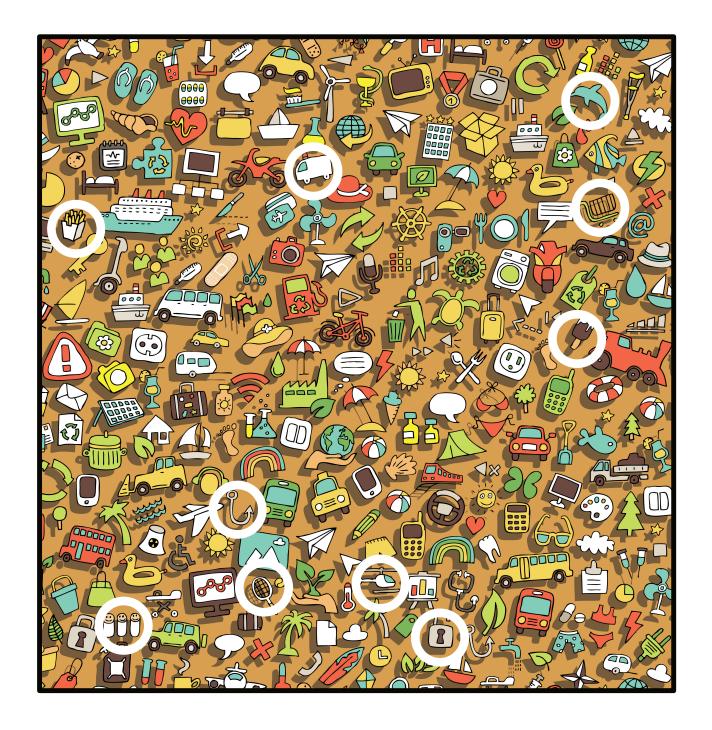




## jam

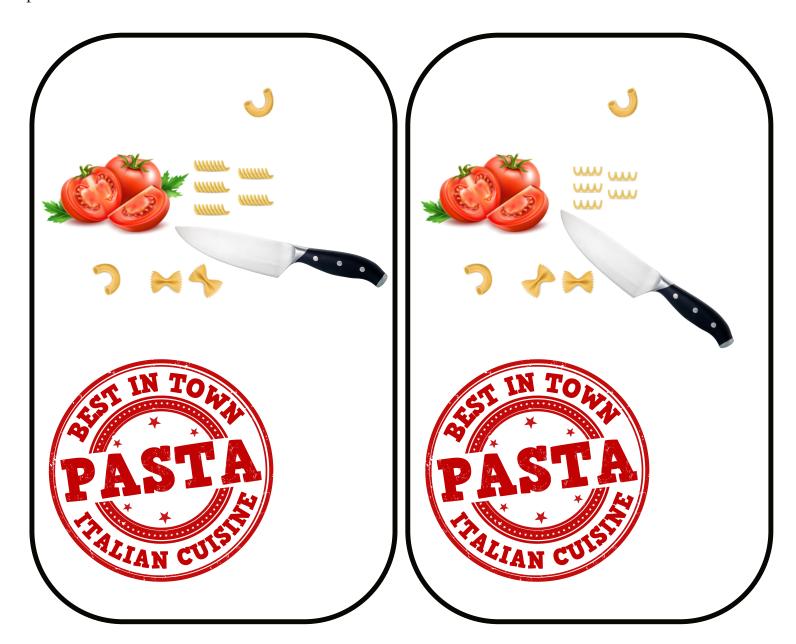


#### Hidden Objects





#### Spot the Difference #1



In the second image, the leaf next to the whole tomato is missing; the five fusilli have been replaced by five fusilli col buco (bucati); the orientation of the two farfelles is flipped; the knife is angled more sharply upward; the logo has a sixth star.



#### Spot the Difference #2



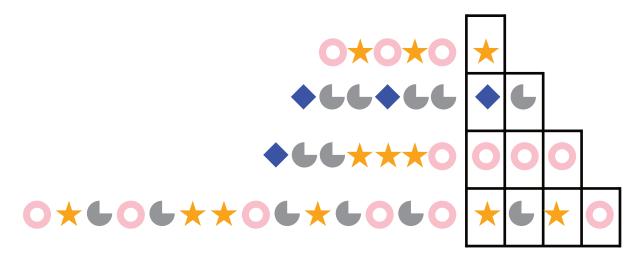


In the second image, the yellow sticky strips are now green; the paintbrush is higher in the tray; the paint tray has an extra blue pan in the lower left corner; the orange pencil sharpener is missing; the colored pencils are shorter; the line on the notepad is missing; the bottle of glue is wider; the scissors are flipped.



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What Comes Next?



To see the patterns, change the shapes to numbers:

12 12 12 122 122 12 1 22 333 4444 123 132 213 231 312 321

#### Covert Opus

- 1. Things associated with worms: earthworm (literally); bookworm; ringworm; earworm (sheet music); glow worm, fireworm, waxworm (candle), worm in the apple, fruitworm; wormwood (pencil and wooden table)
- 2. Things associated with bones: skeleton (any of the bones); trombone\*; herringbone (fabric pattern); rattle them bones (dice)
- 3. Michael Jackson albums: Ben (Big Ben); Off the Wall; Thriller (wolf); Scream (Munch painting); stretch: Live at Wembley July 16, 1988
- 4. Things associated with jam: strawberry jam; jam sandwich; jam jar; Pearl Jam (Vermeer's painting); jam session (painting on the wall); time to jam (clock)

#### Some trivia:

Michael Jackson's iconic video *Thriller* was inspired by Michael's love of the movie, A Werewolf in London, according to the documentary, <u>Thriller 40</u>. That gives Big Ben a secondary role, along with the scary wolf on the wall.

DALL-E 3 is very capable of generating these precise images, if you get the wording right!

\* I didn't intend this, but each puzzle has at least one musical reference! That trombone is not very good, though.



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