

Max's Market Maths Spelling Challenge

Learning objective: To practise spelling words with common prefixes and suffixes, and to identify misspelt words in context.

Read the story about Max the monkey below. Use the word bank to help you complete the spelling tasks and answer the questions. Make sure to check your spellings carefully!

Max the monkey was at the local market to buy fruit for his friends. He was being very careful with his money. He had £5.00 in his pocket. He watched a magician make a coin disappear behind a stall. Suddenly, the coin would reappear in the magician's hat! Max walked happily through the stalls. He decided to buy some beautiful apples for Pip the caterpillar and some pears for Ellie the elephant. He was so thoughtful that he decided to rebuild his fruit basket when he got home to make sure nothing was squashed.

Word bank: disappear · disobey · reappear · rebuild · happily · careful · thoughtful · beautiful

1. Find two words from the passage that use the prefix 're-'. What does the prefix 're-' tell us about the action? (2 marks)

2. Max bought apples and pears. If the apples cost £1.50 and the pears cost £1.20, how much did he spend in total? Write the amount in words. (2 marks)

3. Complete the sentence using a word from the word bank: Zara the zebra painted a _____ picture of the market. (1 mark)

4. Why is it important to be 'careful' when counting money? Explain your answer using a full sentence. (2 marks)

5. Correct the spelling of these two words: 'disapointment' and 'happilly'. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw the fruit basket that Max bought at the market. Label the fruits using at least three adjectives from the word bank or your own vocabulary.



Extension challenge: Choose two words from the word bank that end in a suffix. Write a new, original sentence for each word that describes an adventure Nova the owl might have while stargazing.