

JUSTICE ***THE COURTHOUSE DOG***



ACTIVITY BOOK

This activity book belongs to: _____



Hi, my name is Justice the Courthouse Dog, and I work at the county courthouse. My job at the courthouse is to be a therapy dog. I help children who come to court by calming their fears! I hang out with the children and stay by their side when they need me. Many courthouses have dogs just like me. Maybe you will meet one at the courthouse in your town!

Sometimes courts can seem scary for kids. It is hard to go to a new place full of people you don't know. I want you to know that you can feel safe in a courtroom. The courthouse is full of people whose jobs are to help you and protect you.

I made this activity book so that you can know what to expect when you come to court and, of course, so you can have fun while learning!

Justice 

Who will I see in court?

Sheriff's Deputy

The sheriff's deputy is in charge of security in the courthouse.

Judge

The judge is in charge of the courtroom. The judge figures out if a law has been broken.

Lawyer

A lawyer gives people advice when they come to court.

Guardian ad Litem

The guardian ad litem makes sure that kids' voices are heard in court.

Court Interpreter

The court interpreter translates for kids who do not speak English as their first language.

Friend of the Court Referee

The Referee hears both sides of a case and makes a decision.

Jurors

Sometimes jurors, instead of the judge, decide who wins an argument in court.

Clerk

The clerk is in charge of keeping track of papers and recording decisions made in court.

Witness

A witness answers questions that the judge or lawyers ask.

Prosecutor

A prosecutor is a lawyer who asks questions in court to help the judge or jury find the truth.



What words will help me understand what is happening in court?

Bench – the large desk in the front of the courtroom that the Judge sits behind

Chambers – a fancy word for a judge's office

Oath – a promise to tell the truth

Gavel – a tool that looks like a hammer that the judge pounds to keep order in the court

Your Honor – a nickname for the judge





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Help Justice find these words:

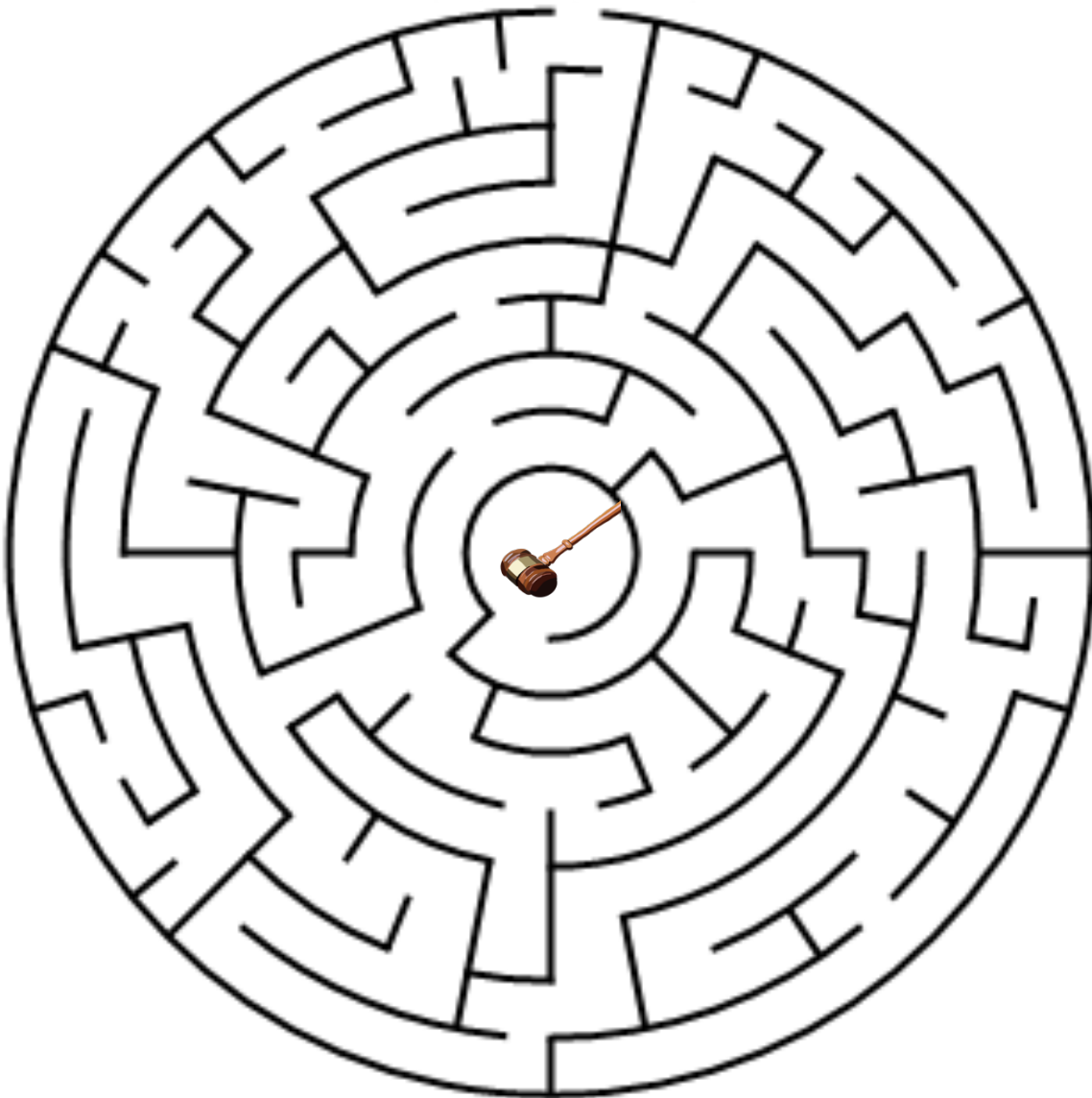
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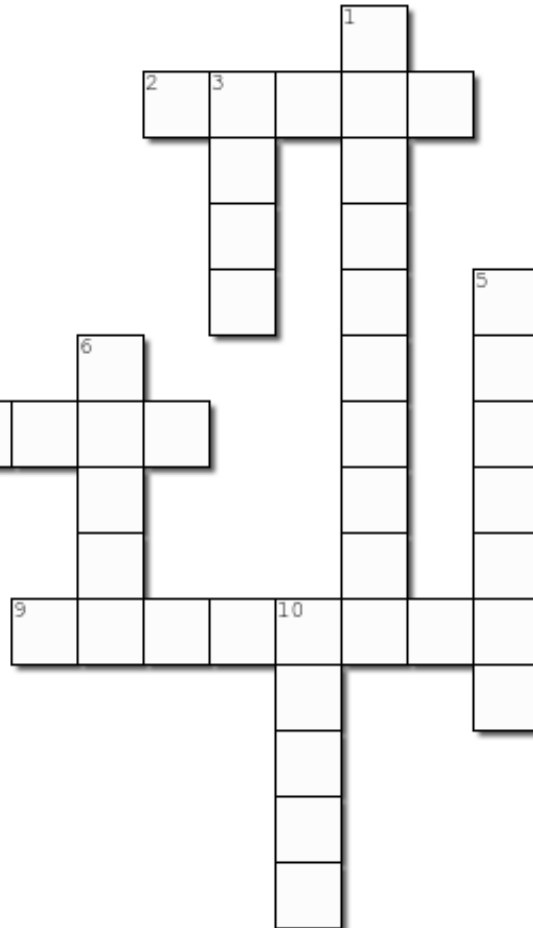
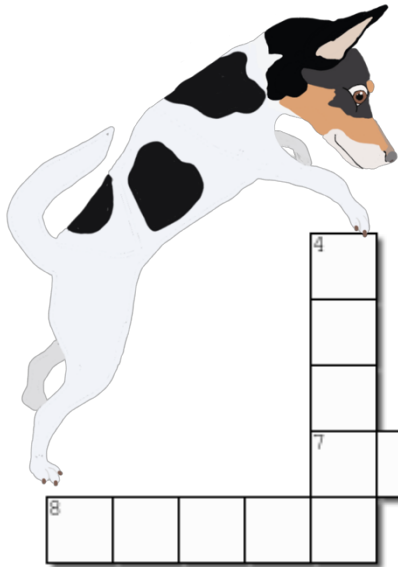


Help Justice find the Judge's Gavel!





Help Justice solve the crossword puzzle!



Across

- 2. What you say when addressing the judge, 'Your _____'
- 7. What the judge bangs to keep order in the court
- 8. The person who is in charge of the courtroom
- 9. Another name for the Judge's office

Down

- 1. A building where laws are enforced
- 3. A promise to tell the truth
- 4. Something shiny that the sheriff's deputy wears
- 5. A person who answers question that the judge and lawyers ask
- 6. Another name for the Judge's desk
- 10. The color of a judge's robe

Help Justice fill in the Courtroom Rules!

COURT

HONOR

HELP

DRESS

TIME

QUESTIONS

TRUTH

RESPECTFUL

COURTROOM RULES

ARRIVE ON [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] NICELY.

BE [REDACTED] TO
EVERYONE YOU MEET.

DON'T EAT, DRINK OR CHEW GUM
IN [REDACTED].

REMEMBER TO CALL THE JUDGE
"YOUR [REDACTED]".

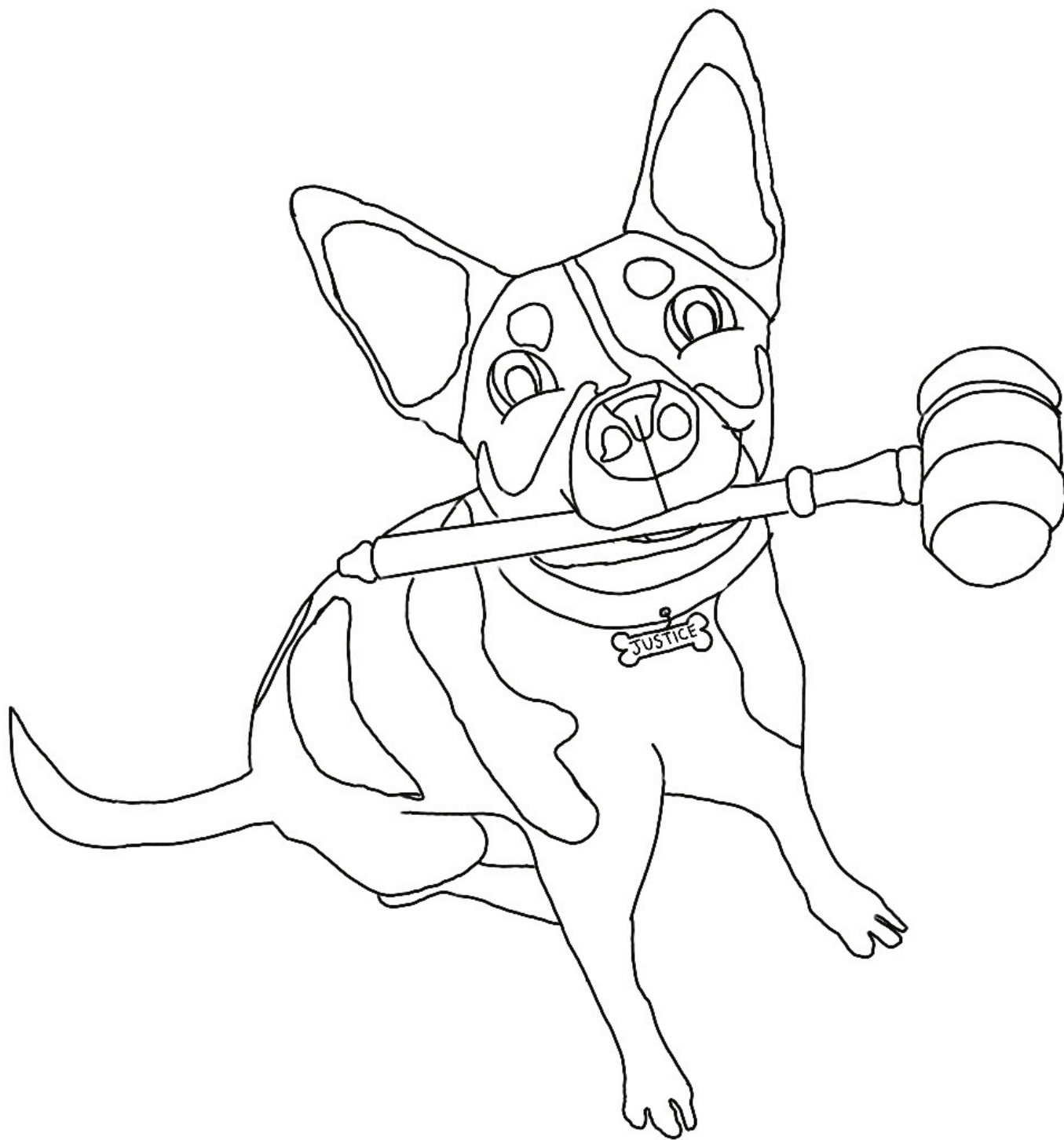
ALWAYS TELL THE [REDACTED].

IF YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND
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STAY CALM, THE JUDGE IS THERE
TO [REDACTED] YOU.

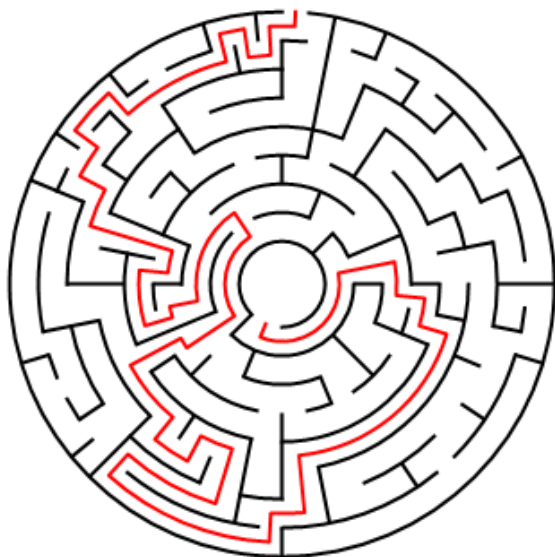


Color a picture of Justice!





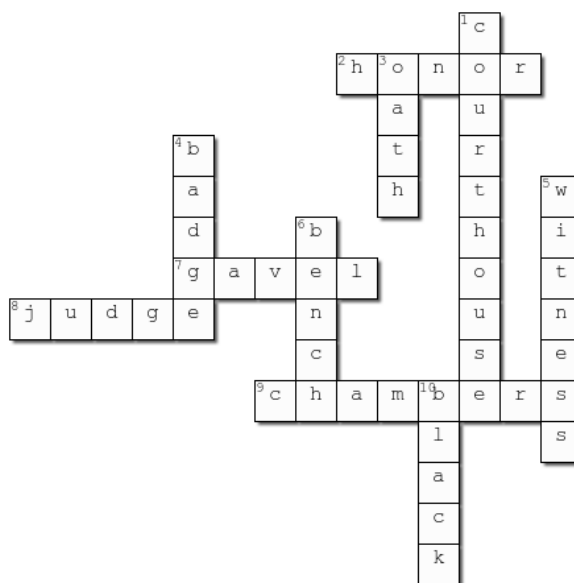
Answers to puzzles:



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Y	P	M	N	W	S	I	R	N	L	C	G	O	C
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Courtroom Rules:

- Arrive on **TIME**
- **DRESS** nicely
- Be **RESPECTFUL** to everyone you meet
- Don't eat, drink, or chew gum in **COURT**
- Remember to call the judge "Your **HONOR**"
- Always tell the **TRUTH**
- If you don't understand something, make sure you ask **QUESTIONS**
- Stay calm, the judge is there to **HELP** you





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