

A. Answer the questions.

1. What material are rubber bands made from?

- Rubber bands are made of plastic.
- Rubber bands are made of elastic.
- Rubber bands are made of paper.

2. In the text, what items can rubber bands hold together? Choose 3 items.

shoes	cables	pens
paper	apple slices	bananas

3. What kind of fruits can rubber bands not hold together?

- Rubber bands cannot hold soft fruits together.
- Rubber bands cannot hold green fruits together.
- Rubber bands cannot hold hard fruits together.

4. In which city is there a giant rubber band ball?

- The giant rubber band ball is in Vancouver, British Columbia.
- The giant rubber band ball is in Orlando, Florida.
- The giant rubber band ball is in London, England.

5. How many rubber bands were used to make the giant rubber band ball?

- 700,000 rubber bands were used.
- 70,000 rubber bands were used.
- 500,000 rubber bands were used.

6. Which two items can be used with rubber bands to make a guitar?

- A banana and a toothbrush can be used.
- A tissue box and a baking tray can be used.
- A piece of wood and a water bottle can be used.

7. Why does a rubber band make a chopping board easier to use?

- It makes it bigger.
- It stops it from breaking.
- It stops it from moving around.

8. What does a rubber band do when used to make a t-shirt?

- It keeps the dye away from that area.
- It stops you dropping the t-shirt.
- It holds the t-shirt together.

9. What does *versatile* mean?

- It means that something can be used in many different ways.
- It means that something is very interesting.
- It means that something is very expensive.

10. What are some more useful ways to use rubber bands?

B. Choose the correct word to complete the story.

nickname	versatile	snapping	stretch
squish	rubber band	to grip	multiple
slippery	ginormous	elastic	wrap

Is a _____ just a rubber band? Rubber bands are soft and made of _____. They can _____ a lot. They have _____ uses. The most common use is to hold things together. You can _____ them around pens or cables to hold them together. You can also use them to keep some fruit slices together. Don't use them with soft fruits like bananas. It would _____ them too much. You can use rubber bands to make a ball. In Orlando, Florida, there is a _____ rubber band ball. It has the _____ "Megaton." Rubber bands can be used to make a guitar, but be careful of the rubber band _____. That can hurt. I wrap a rubber band around my water bottle to make it less _____. It makes it easier _____. Rubber bands are very _____!

C. Match the picture to the sentence.



You can even make jewellery from rubber bands. These bracelets are made by joining together many small rubber bands. 5



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Wrap rubber bands around a t-shirt before you dye it.
The rubber bands will keep the dye away from that area.
You can create some really cool tie-dye effects. [1](#)

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You can also use rubber bands to make a ball.
All you have to do is wrap many rubber bands around a small ball. [3](#)

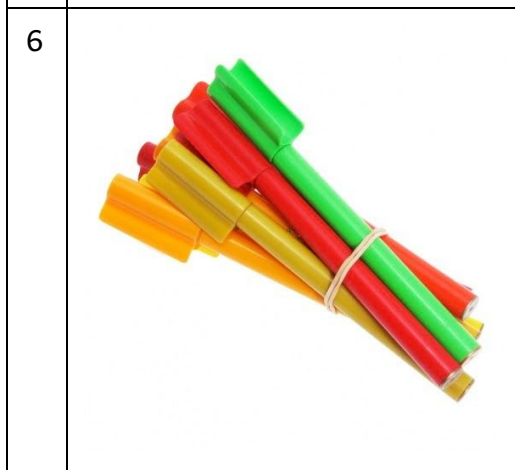
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Do you have lots of pens?
Gather them and wrap a rubber band around them. [6](#)



You can make a guitar with rubber band strings. Grab an old tissue box. 2



Put a rubber band around a jar you're trying to open. It helps you hold the lid better so you can open the jar. 4

D. Put the title, and the paragraphs in the correct order.

	Number
Rubber bands are quite versatile. They can be used in many different ways. What uses can you think of for rubber bands?	
The most common use for rubber bands is to hold things together. Do you have lots of pens? Gather them and wrap a rubber band around them. Do you have long cables? Gather them and use a rubber band to hold them together.	
You can use rubber bands for art, too. Wrap a canvas in rubber bands before you paint. You can create some interesting designs.	

You can make a guitar with rubber band strings.
 Grab an old tissue box.
 Wrap some rubber bands around the middle.
 Start playing your rubber band guitar.
 You can use a baking tray to make a guitar, too.
 It's harder to break, and makes a cool sound.
 Be careful of the rubber bands snapping.
 That can hurt.

Is a rubber band just a rubber band?
 Look at these pictures.
 Can you see the rubber bands?

You can even make jewellery from rubber bands.
 These bracelets are made by joining together many small rubber bands.
 You can create so many designs.
 Have you made a rubber band bracelet before?

Multiple Uses

Wrap rubber bands around a t-shirt before you dye it.
 The rubber bands will keep the dye away from that area.
 You can create some really cool tie-dye effects.

Rubber bands are soft and made of elastic.
 They can stretch a lot.
 The bigger the rubber band, the more it can stretch.
 Rubber bands have multiple uses.
 How many uses do you have for rubber bands?

Put a rubber band around a jar you're trying to open.
 It helps you hold the lid better so you can open the jar.
 Another great tip.

You can also use rubber bands to make a ball.
 All you have to do is wrap many rubber bands around a small ball.
 The more rubber bands you use, the bigger the ball.
 In Orlando, Florida, there is a giant rubber band ball.
 It was made using 700,000 rubber bands.
 This giant rubber band ball has a nickname.
 They call it, "Megaton."
 It is ginormous.

Rubber bands can be useful items, too.
 Putting rubber bands around a cutting board stops it from moving around.
 That makes it easier to cut.
 That is a great tip.



You can use a rubber band to keep apple slices together.
 That way, the inside of the apple will not go brown.
 You can do this with different kinds of fruits, except soft fruits.
 I think a rubber band would squish a banana too much.
 What do you think?

You can wrap rubber bands around a handle.
 This makes it more comfortable to grip.
 I wrap rubber bands around my water bottle.
 It makes it easier to hold.
 It makes it less slippery.

E. Word Count. Read the passage again. Count how many times you see the following words in the passage and the title.

Word	How many times did you see this word in the story?
rubber band (rubber bands)	
give	
clip	
can	
wrap	

Today I learned:
