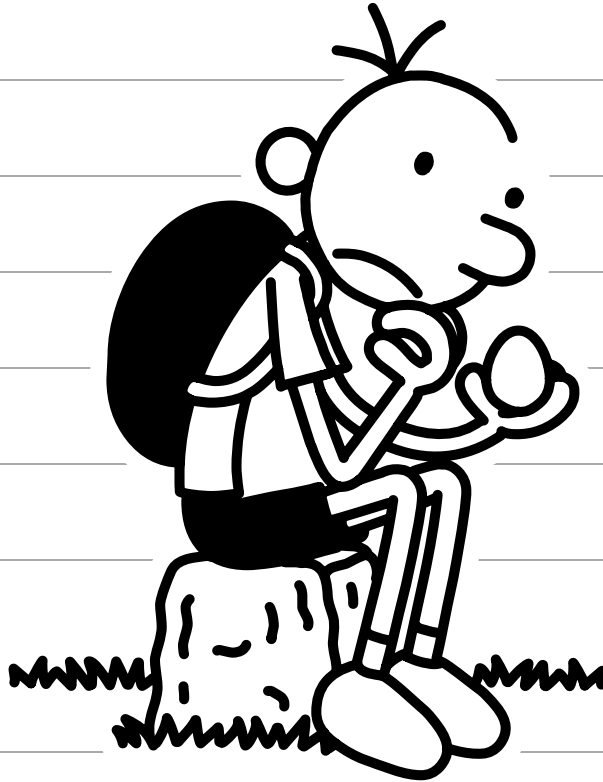


Diary of a Wimpy Kid

THE UGLY TRUTH

WIMPY KID WEDNESDAY EVENT PACK



Thank you for hosting a WIMPY KID WEDNESDAY launch party to celebrate the release of the fifth book in the series, *The Ugly Truth*. We hope this pack will help you create an event that's fun for everyone—whether the size of your group is four or forty. Please read through the activities on these pages and decide what works for your needs and for the kids who turn out. Thanks again, and have fun!

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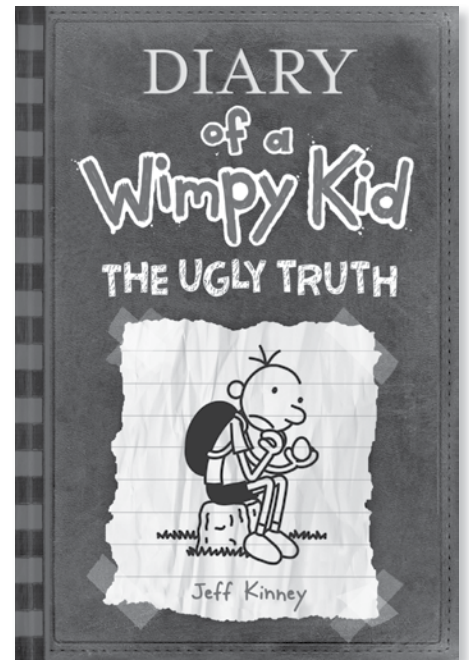
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GETTING STARTED

What better way to celebrate *The Ugly Truth* than by making it purple-themed! Inflate purple balloons and hang purple streamers. Encourage your guests to come dressed head-to-toe in purple. The more purple the better! Why not offer to face-paint a purple “5” on everyone as they arrive?

This pack includes a number of suggestions for games and activities that will help make a fun event. You’ll have to gauge the size and the age range of your crowd to determine which of these activities will work best, and you can put the activities in any order you’d like. You may want to only do one or two of these, or do them all. We’d like to ask that you please kick off the event by reading the following letter from Jeff Kinney to the group.



Hi, everyone!

Thank you so much for coming out to celebrate the release of "The Ugly Truth!"

I wish I could be there with you in person.

I want to say thank you to each and everyone here. You've made *Diary Of A Wimpy Kid* a hit, and I want you to know how much I appreciate that.

Have a great time and I hope you enjoy the fifth book!

Sincerely,

Jeff Kinney

The “UGLY TRUTH OR DARE” Activity

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- ✎ Two small containers such as boxes or jars
- ✎ Small pieces of blank paper
- ✎ Pens/pencils

HOW TO PLAY:

Begin by creating a “truth” bin and a “dare” bin. Fill the truth bin with truth-revealing questions, and fill the “dare” with clever and funny, but harmless, dares. Use the questions and dares below or create your own.

Have all players sit on the floor in a circle and number off to determine the order or, alternatively, begin with one volunteer and have them select the next player once their turn is up.

At each turn, have players choose between revealing the ugly truth about themselves and completing the dare challenge. Once they’ve decided, have them draw a “truth” or “dare” from their chosen bin and either reveal the truth or perform the dare.



TRUTHS



- ✎ Have you ever blamed a sibling for something you did and convinced your parents that they did it?
- ✎ What was the nastiest joke you have ever played on someone?
- ✎ Have you ever peed in a pool?
- ✎ What is the strangest dream you’ve ever had?
- ✎ Have you ever lied to a teacher and what was it about?
- ✎ What is the most embarrassing thing you ever said or did around a boy/girl you liked?
- ✎ What is the worst gift you have ever received?

DARES

- ✎ Dance like a crazy person in front of everyone for 30 seconds.
- ✎ Sing Baa Baa Black Sheep in your most hated teacher’s voice.
- ✎ After everything you say add “Whoa . . . I’m good!” for the next 15 minutes.
- ✎ Pretend that you are underwater for the next 10 minutes.
- ✎ Act like a gorilla/monkey for one whole minute.
- ✎ For five minutes, only communicate by barking like a dog or meowing like a cat.
- ✎ Recite the alphabet backward as fast as you can.

The “THREE TRUTHS AND A LIE!” Game

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

-  Paper
-  Pens/pencils

HOW TO PLAY:

Provide each person with two slips of paper and a pen or pencil.

On one sheet of paper, instruct everyone to write down four statements about themselves. Three of the statements should be true and one of them should be false. Allow everyone about five minutes to come up with four good statements.

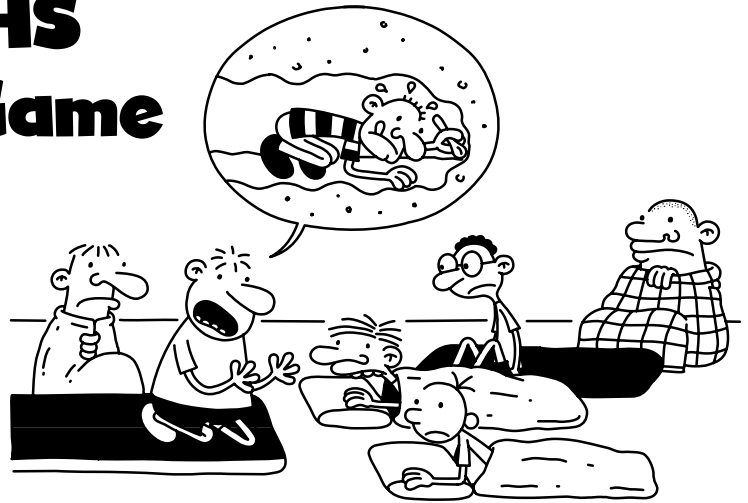
On the second piece of paper have each person write the name of everyone in the group with the numbers 1 to 4 below each name. These will be their tally sheets.

Select a person to go first, reading his four statements out loud. Put these statements to a vote by having the person read his four statements again. After each statement, ask for a show of hands to determine who among the group thinks the statement is true or false. Have the group mark their guesses on their tally sheet with a T or an F next to the number for each statement.

Ask the person to reveal the correct answer and ask the group to circle each answer they guessed right.

Continue around the room, having each person read his statement, conducting a vote, and circling the correct guesses.

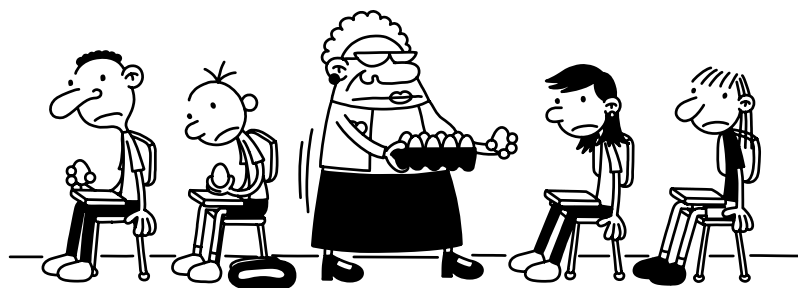
Once everyone has read their statements, ask everyone to tally their total correct answers. The person with the most correct guesses at the end has won the game!



The “TRUTH IS IN THE EGG” Activity

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- ✎ The reproducible egg-shape below (one for each participant)
- ✂ Scissors
- ✎ Pens/pencils
- ✎ A collection box or bowl for the eggs



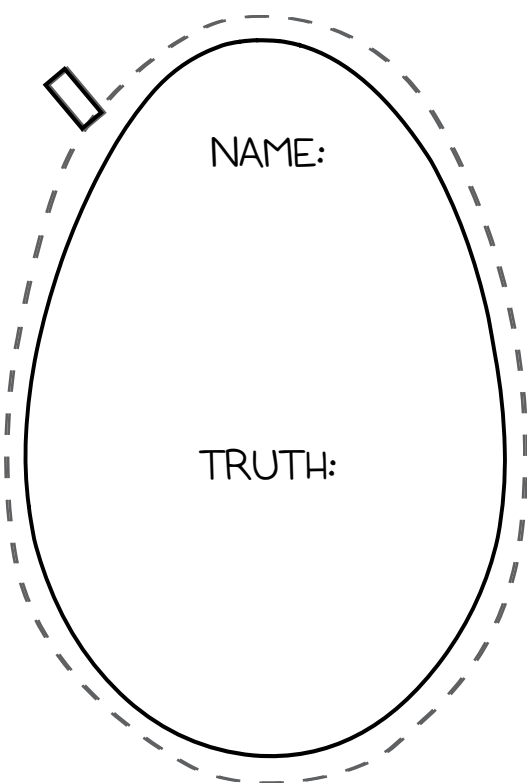
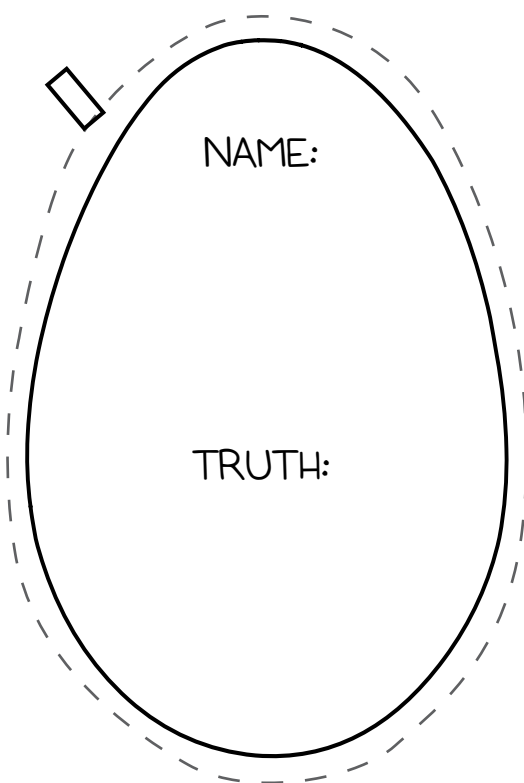
HOW TO PLAY:

Ask each participant to write their name and a truth about themselves on the egg and turn it in to the collection box.

Once everyone has turned in their egg, have an adult moderator select the eggs one at a time and read the truth on the egg out loud.



Ask the participants to guess whose truth it is.

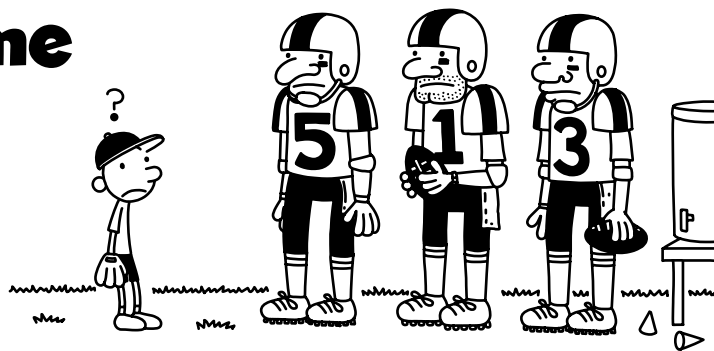
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The “WIMPY!” Game

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

-  The reproducible WIMPY board on the following page (one for each participant)
-  Pens/pencils



HOW TO PLAY:

WIMPY is a wimpified version of the game BINGO.

Hand each participant a WIMPY board sheet, asking them to fill in each box with the words from the word list. Remember, the middle space is a FREE spot.

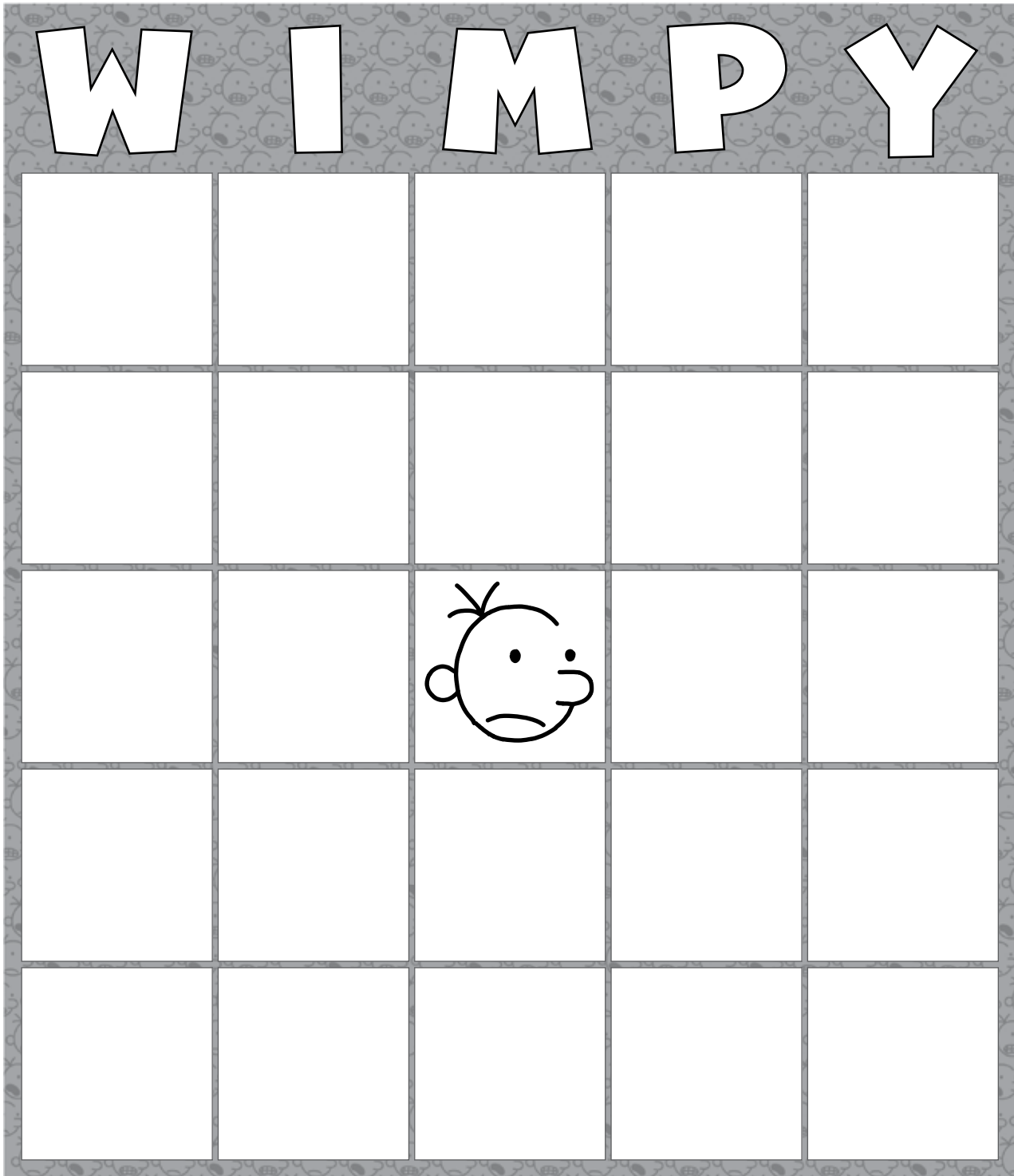
To play the game, ask the players the questions listed below. Each answer is one of the words from the words list. Ask the kids to mark the correct answer on their bingo card.

The first person to mark off a full row, column, or diagonal line wins. Make sure they shout “WIMPY!” to let you know they’ve won.

QUESTIONS:

1. What’s the name of Rodrick’s band? (*Löded Diper*)
2. Who is Rowley’s favorite singer? (*Joshie*)
3. In book 1, Greg decides to run for what position in student government? (*Treasurer*)
4. What’s the name of the kid that Greg passes the Cheese Touch to at the beginning of *Rodrick Rules*? (*Jeremy Pindle*)
5. What colour is book 3? (*Green*)
6. What’s the name of the ride that Greg and Rowley ride in book 4? (*Cranium Shaker*)
7. What’s the name of Rowley’s comic strip? (*Zoo-Wee Mama!*)
8. At the beginning of the school year in book 2, Rowley returns from a family vacation where? (*South America*)
9. What is Manny’s nickname for Greg in book 1? (*Bubby*)
10. What does Greg wrap himself in to stay warm while hiding in the boys’ bathroom during swim practice? (*Toilet paper*)
11. What’s the name of the 4-page paper that Greg writes in *The Last Straw*? (*Chimps*)
12. What’s the name of Greg’s mom’s beauty salon? (*Bombshells*)
13. Who’s the teacher in charge of safety patrol? (*Mr. Winsky*)
14. What do the teenagers make Rowley eat in book 1? (*The Cheese*)
15. In *Dog Days*, the scary movie Rowley and Greg watch is about a muddy ____? (*Hand*)
16. In book 1, Greg dresses as what for Halloween? (*Pirate*)
17. What’s the name of the Heffley family dog in book 4? (*Sweetie*)
18. In book 1, what does Greg chase the kindergarteners with? (*Worm*)
19. What does Manny call Greg in book 3? (*Ploopy*)
20. In *The Last Straw* what did the conversation heart on Rowley’s valentine to Greg say? (*Fresh*)
21. What’s Rowley’s last name? (*Jefferson*)
22. Who said, “Wanna see my ‘secret freckle’”? (*Fregley*)
23. What does Rowley pick out as his Christmas present in book 1? (*Big Wheel*)
24. How does Rodrick get caught after throwing a party when his parents were away? (*Picture*)

The “WIMPY!” Game Board



WORD LIST:

Löded Diper
Joshie
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Jeremy Pindle
Green
Cranium Shaker

Zoo-Wee Mama!
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Bubby
Toilet paper
Chimps
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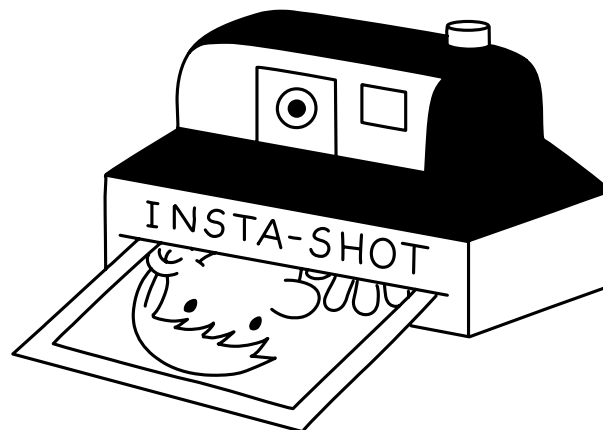
Mr. Winsky
The Cheese
Hand
Pirate
Sweetie
Worm

Ploopy
Fresh
Jefferson
Fregley
Big Wheel
Picture

The “GUESS WHAT? THEN, GUESS WHO!” Activity

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- 🖋️ One or more digital cameras
- 🖋️ A printer to print the pictures
- 🖋️ Paper
- 🖋️ Pens/pencils



HOW TO PLAY:

Randomly divide your participants into small groups of three or four.

Divide your total number of teams in half. Half of the groups will be identifiers and half will be photo subjects.

Next, give each group a name using numbers, letters, or colours, and assign each photo subject group a camera.

After each group has a camera, have them find a private place to take a picture of one of their members. The image should be a close-up (a hand, nose, ear, eye, etc.) and hard to identify. If there is only one camera have each group take turns taking their pictures.

After the images have been taken, print the pictures and lay them out on a table or place them on a corkboard or wall for viewing. Label each picture with its corresponding group name.

Next, have the identifying teams study the images to see if they can determine both the body part and its owner.

After all selections have been made, go through each team's response to see who was right and who got stumped.

Repeat the activity allowing the identifiers and photo subject teams to switch.