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Will's group project was so awesome I couldn't believe it!

Everyone knows Olivia's brother is extremely cute.

Abbey's going to the store with Jonathan's mom, her Aunt Karen.

Carter wouldn't come any closer when Kat's science fair project began shooting electric sparks into the air.

The girls' clubhouse was decorated with flowers and peace symbols.

Mr. Corbett's glasses were broken, and he didn't see Allie's project before stepping on it.

The boy scouts' treehouse wasn't painted until last Saturday.

The animals' cages were all cleaned and sanitized by Alana, who took amazing care of them.

Isabel's sister won an award for her artwork.

He's in preschool with Timmy's brother Sam!

The other kids on the team couldn't keep up with Thomas' soccer skills.

The teachers' supply closet wasn't stocked with enough paper for the project.

Inari, Lauren, and Renee couldn't decide whether or not to borrow Mrs. Wilk's mat when Lauren accidentally left hers at home.

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Will's group project was so awesome I couldn't believe it!(Will's - orange,1 couldn't - yellow)

Everyone knows Olivia's brother is extremely cute. (Olivia's - orange,1)

Abbey's going to the store with Jonathan's mom, her Aunt Karen. (Abbey's - orange,1)
(Jonathan's - orange, 1)

Carter wouldn't come any closer when Kat's science fair project began shooting electric sparks into the air. (wouldn't - yellow, Kat's - orange, 1)

The girls' clubhouse was decorated with flowers and peace symbols.
(girls' - orange, 2)

Mr. Corbett's glasses were broken, and he didn't see Allie's project before stepping on it. (Mr. Corbett's - orange, 1 didn't - yellow Allie's - orange, 1)

The boy scouts' treehouse wasn't painted until last Saturday.
(scouts - orange, 2 wasn't - yellow)

The animals' cages were all cleaned and sanitized by Alana, who took amazing care of them. (animals' - orange, 2)

Isabel's sister won an award for her artwork. (Isabel's - orange, 1)

He's in preschool with Timmy's brother Sam! (He's - yellow Timmy's - orange, 1)

The other kids on the team couldn't keep up with Thomas' soccer skills.
(couldn't - yellow Thomas' - orange, 1)

The teachers' supply closet wasn't stocked with enough paper for the project.
(teachers' - orange 1, wasn't - yellow)

Inari, Lauren, and Renee couldn't decide whether or not to borrow Mrs. Wilk's mat when Lauren accidentally left hers at home.(Wilk's - orange, 1)
(couldn't - yellow)