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Bear Essential News is starting its 40th year of providing great news and is written just for you! Use the November edition to complete these activities!

News Highlights & In the Spotlight

Read the News Highlights story about the girl who found an ancient sword in a Swedish lake and find the 5W's & H in the story:



Andrew Vanecek photo

Who _____

Where _____

What _____

When _____

Why _____

How _____

The Vanecek family handed the old sword over to a local museum. Why do you think this was the right thing to do?

Main Feature: It's a Zoo!

Read **Bear's** feature on the interesting and important conservation work these Arizona animal places do. Then answer the following questions:

1. What led to the black-footed ferret's near extinction?
2. Here in the Sonoran Desert we have lots of snakes. How are they important to keeping things in balance?
3. What is your favorite animal species that needs help to survive? How is it being protected?



Bear Essential's Set the Stage for the Holidays: (page 15, Phoenix or page 17, Tucson)



1. Which of the holiday performances would you like to win tickets to for you family and why would you like to go?
2. Have you ever performed on stage in front of an audience? Do you think performing with others makes things easier or more difficult for you? Explain why.



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VOCABULARY

Power Word Missing Letters & SECRET MESSAGE!

Below are this month's **Power Words**, which appear capitalized and in bold face in the newspaper each month. Figure out the missing letters in each word and write the circled ones, in order left to right, in the spaces at the bottom to reveal the secret message!

__C__O__S__Y__S__E__

E__N__C__O__A__C__M__N__T

T__R__S__M__I__T__E__D

__R__T__I__A__C__T

T__R__O__B__E__S__H__O__O__

B__ _ _ _ _ K__ _ _ _ !

BONUS CHALLENGE—Turkey Crossword

ACROSS

3. A crop of the Pilgrims.
5. A day to give thanks.
7. A kind of meat for the holidays.
8. A Thanksgiving Day bird.
10. Native Americans.
11. You put this into a turkey.

DOWN

1. They came over on the Mayflower.
2. To collect a crop.
3. A Thanksgiving basket.
4. A fruity Thanksgiving side dish.
5. A time-honored practice.
6. A crusty dessert.
9. Sweet potatoes.

