

Title: The Fastest Mailman in the West

Word Study

A. Fill in the blanks using the words.

mail	mailman	Native Americans	horn
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1.



Sometimes Native Americans think I'm a mean cowboy.

2.



I am the fastest mailman in the West.

3.



I will blow my horn.

4.



I take mail from one town to another.

Reading Comprehension

B. Circle Yes or No.

1.



James Miller is a cowboy.

Yes

No

2.



James Miller works for the Pony Express.

Yes

No

3.

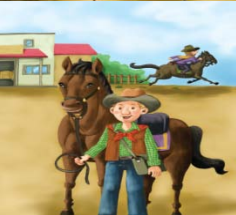


Sometimes his job is dangerous.

Yes

No

4.



He does not like his job.

Yes

No

C. Choose the best answer.

1. How does James go from town to town?



- a. Car
- b. Train
- c. Pony**
- d. Foot

2. How does James let other mailmen know he is coming?



- a. He shouts.
- b. He calls them on his phone.
- c. He waves a flag.
- d. He blows a horn.**

3. What does James do in each town?



- a. He stops to talk to people.
- b. He eats a meal.
- c. He rests.
- d. He delivers mail.**

4. What word is used to describe James?



- a. Fast
- b. Slow
- c. Dangerous
- d. Mean

Summary

Fill in the blanks with the words.

howdy	pony	blows	deliver
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James Miller is not a cowboy. He is a mailman. He works for the Pony Express. He delivers mail on his 1) pony, Speedy. He is the fastest mailman in the West! He takes mail from town to town. He works with other mailmen. About 80 people ride horses for the Pony Express. They wait for each other. They give each other mails to 2) deliver. James says, 3) "Howdy," but he doesn't have time to stop. His job is very hard. It can be dangerous, too. Sometimes Native Americans think he is a mean cowboy. At the end of his ride, James 4) blows a horn. He lets the other mailman know he is coming. This mailman will take James's mail to other towns. James loves his job!