

Saint Junipero Serra

(HOO-nay-pair-o SAIR-rah)



Junipero Serra was born on November 24, 1713, in Petra, Majorca, Spain. When he was 17 years old he entered the Franciscan Order and took the name “Junipero” in honor of Saint Juniper. He became a priest, received a doctorate in theology from Lullian University and eventually joined the missionary College of San Fernando de Mexico, in Mexico City.

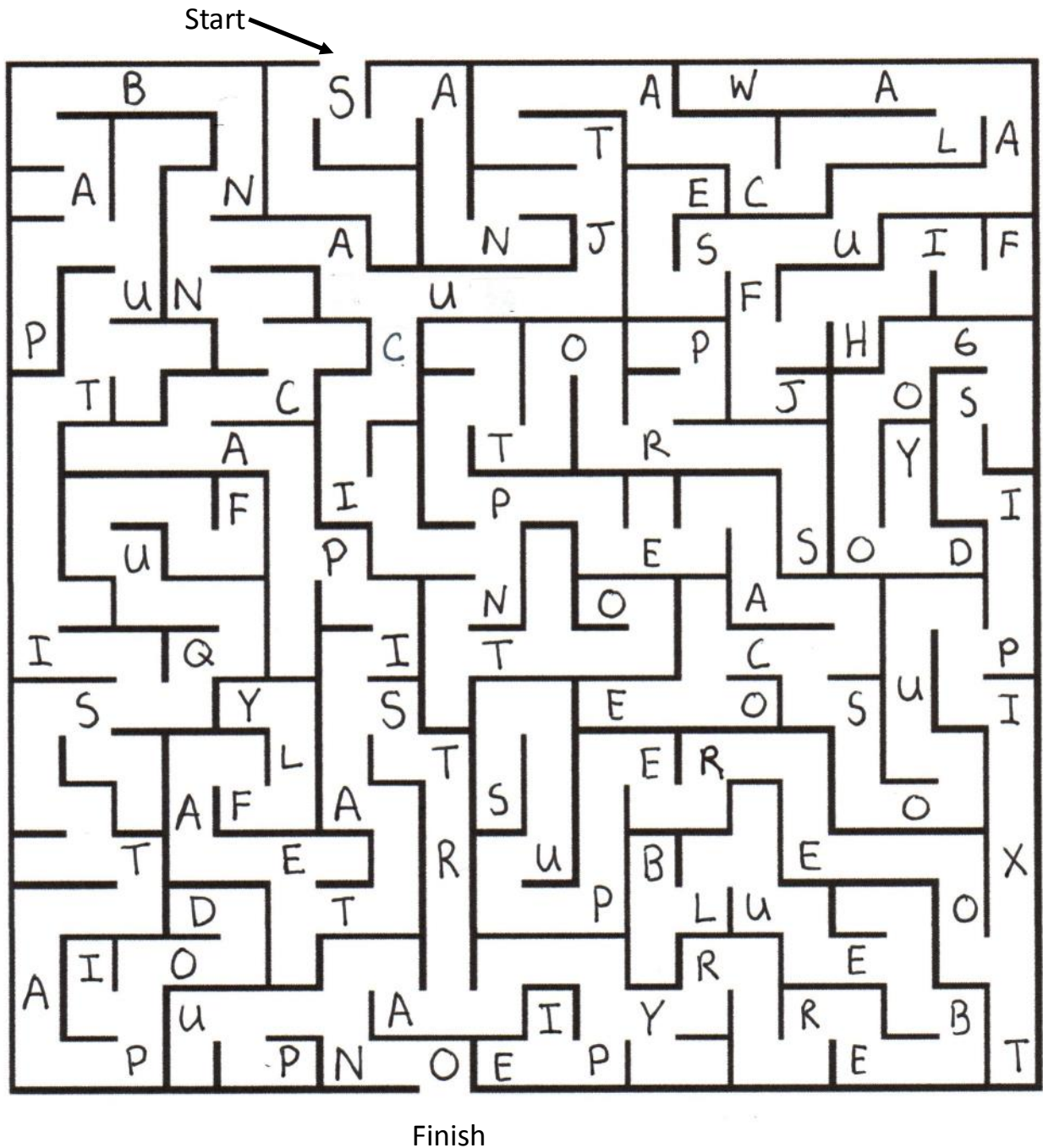
He was a Spanish Franciscan friar who is best known for his work in the California missions. A mission is a building or sometimes a group of buildings that are specifically for missionary work. Priests and holy men and women would work in a mission to feed the hungry, help the sick and provide for the poor. The missions in California were built specifically to share the gospel with and convert the Native Americans in the area. Junipero Serra founded the first nine out of twenty-one Spanish Missions in California. The distance between missions varies, some of them are only a day’s travel apart. While Junipero Serra worked in the California missions, he learned the language of the Pame Native Americans, and even translated the Catechism into their language! He saw the Native Americans as children of God who also deserved the chance for salvation. He also taught them about agriculture, cattle raising and arts and crafts!

Father Serra was beatified by Pople John Paul II on September 25, 1988. His feast day is July 1 and he is the patron saint of vocations.

Color the picture of Saint Junipero Serra!

An A-Maze-ing Fun Fact

Complete the maze below and collect letters as you go. The correct path through the maze will give you the letters to complete the Fun Fact at the bottom!



The chapel at Mission _____ is considered to be the oldest standing building in California, and is known as “Father Serra’s Church.” It may be the only church left where Father Serra was known to have celebrated the sacraments of the Catholic Church.

Language Arts

Weeks 4 and 5- Find the Pronouns and Verbs

Week 4- Circle all the pronouns in **GREEN** in the story on the Junipero Serra page.

Week 5- Draw a **BLUE** box around all the verbs in the story on the Junipero Serra page.

Week 6- Verb Match-up

Draw a line from each verb to the correct type .

**Helping
Verb**

Action Verbs

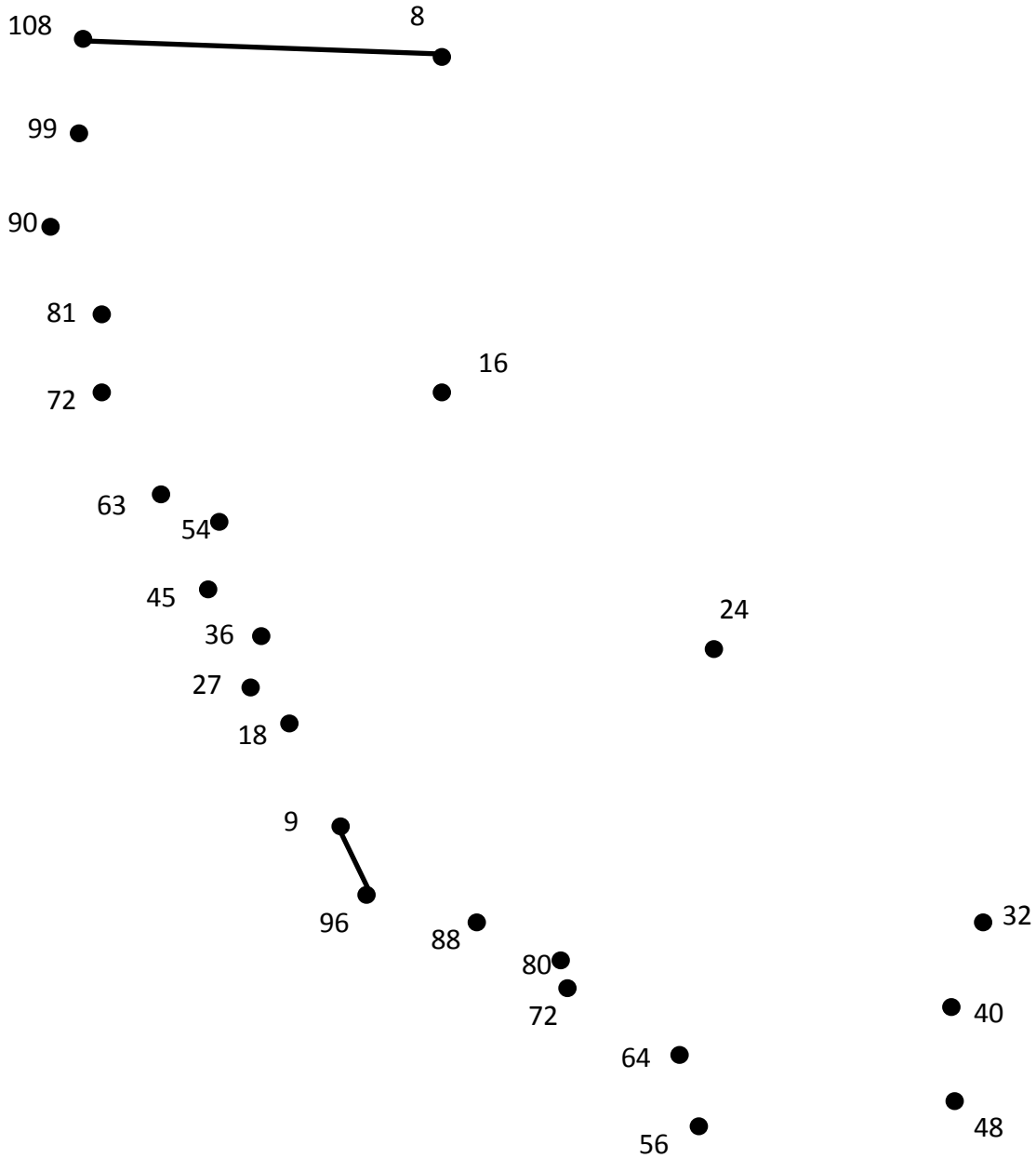
Linking Verbs

**smell
have
climb
jump
am
sit
being
can
appear
must
clap
throw
seem**

Write your own sentence about Father Serra using pronouns and verbs. Circle your own pronouns and verbs.

Connect the Dots

Week 4- Connect the dots by skip counting by eights and then by nines.



What state is this?

How many missions did Father Serra found in this state?

Mystery Picture

Week 5 -Color the squares with a multiple of 10, **BLUE**. Color any number that is **not** a multiple of 10, **YELLOW**.

7	2	5	61	39	11	3	10	40	90	71	11	113	19	37	23	25
19	6	13	2	27	9	41	120	30	50	93	47	9	67	15	69	64
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13	31	45	87	90	80	40	30	60	80	120	70	90	85	125	53	46
23	9	79	31	20	100	120	80	90	30	50	100	40	5	37	56	81
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What do you see?