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Your and *you're* are often confused in reading and writing.

Your means – it belongs to you. For example – your pen, your dog.

You're means – you are. It is a short way to say or write *you are*.

For example – You're going to the zoo. (You are going to the zoo.)

You're 10 years old. (You are 10 years old.)

Reread the first paragraph on page 13 in the book *The Frightened Scarecrow*. Look at how the words *your* and *you're* are used.

Write the correct word – *your* or *you're* – in the spaces below.

1. Please bring me _____ school bag.
2. Don't forget to clean _____ teeth.
3. Tell me when _____ hungry.
4. _____ skateboard is broken.
5. _____ very good at playing the piano.

On the back of this sheet, write two sentences of your own using the word *your* and two using *you're*.

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Life on a farm can be difficult. Farmers face many problems with their crops and animals and need to find solutions to these problems.

Use an encyclopedia, books, or the Internet to research the answers to these questions. Or you may be able to interview a farmer.

1. What problems do farmers have when they grow crops?
2. Are scarecrows used on farms in the 21st century?
3. Is a scarecrow an effective solution to the problem of birds eating crops?
4. How do farmers stop birds or other pests from eating their crops?
5. What problems do farmers have with farm animals?
6. What are some solutions to the problems with animals?

Now write two questions of your own to research.

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How did you respond when the scarecrow began to talk? The author has given the scarecrow human characteristics. That means that the scarecrow in this story does things that real scarecrows do not do. The scarecrow in the story does things that humans do, for example, he talks.

Find more examples in the story *The Frightened Scarecrow* where the scarecrow has human characteristics. The examples can be in the text or in the illustrations. Record your examples in the chart below. One example is given for you.

Page	Human Characteristic
Page 10	The scarecrow hangs its head.