

## The Parkington's Are Coming

The government has hired your corporation (team) to smuggle into the United States some aliens from another planet in outer space. The Parkington family, from Yozuri, (mother, father, daughter, and son) look like human beings. However, their ways of living are totally different from people on earth.

Our government will give these people a home in Florida and an allotted sum of money if they will come to our country for a year. We hope they will stay without the public finding out they are aliens from outer space. It is up to your corporation to come up with information about life on earth to send to the Parkington family, so they can prepare themselves for life here.

We can send a lightweight envelope through space to them with information. The envelope can hold ten pages from the World Almanac. It is your responsibility to choose the ten pages that you feel will help them the most. Remember these people have no idea what life is like here, and they need to act like they fit in – from eating the way we do to knowing information about rules in our land.

Here are some examples of what the Parkington's may be like without your help.

1. Mrs. Parkington puts a vacuum hose to her mouth thinking it contains food.
2. Mr. Parkington runs after a car on the highway thinking it's a pet.
3. A neighbor asks the daughter for a date. He says he'll pick her up on Washington's Birthday. She says, "Who's Washington?" He says, "Never mind. Forget our date."
4. Mr. Parkington digs up his neighbor's lamppost, because he wants to use it as part of a transmitter for communication home.

My goodness, what are the neighbor's going to think? Help the Parkington's out now before these things happen. Don't expect to solve all of their problems. They are very quick learners, and will pick things up quickly when they come to earth. Let's get them off to a good start.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

1. DID YOU GIVE CONVINCING REASONS FOR EACH ALMANAC PAGE THAT YOU CHOSE? WHAT DO YOU FEEL WAS YOUR BEST PAGE CHOICE? WHY? WHAT WAS YOUR WORST PAGE CHOICE? WHY?

2. WAS YOUR TEAM'S PRESENTATION CONVINCING? WHAT COULD BE DONE TO MAKE IT STRONGER?