Feeling Word Hunt

Spot sentences that use an interjection.

4.L.GC.1.32 "Grammar: Use interjections. (Master)"

NAME _____ DATE _____

HAS AN INTERJECTION

An interjection is a word or short phrase that shows a sudden feeling. It may stand alone or come at the beginning of a sentence.

Alas, the lantern went out.

NO INTERJECTION

This sentence does not use a word or short phrase that shows a sudden feeling.

A squirrel carried an acorn.

1 SORT

8 items

Circle YES or NO for each sentence, then choose two item numbers and explain why each belongs in its category.

1.	Wow, that roller coaster was fast!	YES NO
2.	Ouch! My knee hit the table.	YES NO
3.	The librarian shelved new books.	YES NO
4.	Hey, please wait for me.	YES NO
5.	We packed lunch for the hike.	YES NO
6.	The puppy chased its ball.	YES NO
7.	Yikes, the thunder shook the windows!	YES NO
8.	Our team practiced after school.	YES NO

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new sentence with an interjection and one new sentence without an interjection.

YES _____

NO _____

CHALLENGE

Write two related sentences: use an interjection in one sentence and no interjection in the other. Label each sentence YES or NO.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	Wow, that roller coaster was fast!	**YES**	Wow shows surprise or excitement.
2	Ouch! My knee hit the table.	**YES**	Ouch shows pain.
3	The librarian shelved new books.	**NO**	It does not include a feeling word or phrase.
4	Hey, please wait for me.	**YES**	Hey calls for attention.
5	We packed lunch for the hike.	**NO**	It does not include an interjection.
6	The puppy chased its ball.	**NO**	It does not include an interjection.
7	Yikes, the thunder shook the windows!	**YES**	Yikes shows fear or alarm.
8	Our team practiced after school.	**NO**	It does not include a feeling word or phrase.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **YES**: Whew, the storm passed.
- **NO**: The river flowed under the bridge.

Challenge: YES: Alas, the robot lost a wheel. NO: Its driver carried it home.

For Part 2, accept explanations that name the interjection and tell what feeling it shows. For a NO item, students should explain that the sentence has no word or phrase showing a sudden feeling.