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# SHOW SYNOPSIS



The people who made this production possible.

## CREATIVE TEAM

**Director:** Angie Hernandez

**Choreographer:** Thaddeus Morris

**Set Designer:** C.M. Boneta and Lucian Hernandez

**Prop Designer:** Lucian Hernandez

**Costume Designer:** Yesenia Tafur

**Lighting Designer:** Thaddeus Morris

**Sound Designer:** Zach Walsh

## PRODUCTION TEAM

**Director of Production:** Pat Smith

**Production Coordinator & Stage Manager:** Kelsey Nelson

**Technical Director & Scenic Artist:** C.M. Boneta

**Properties Manager:** Lucian Hernandez

**Audio Engineer:** Zach Walsh

**Lighting Supervisor:** Thaddeus Morris

**Costume Shop Manager:** Sarah Steele

**American Sign Language Interpreter:**

Robert Cardoza

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## ABOUT A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS

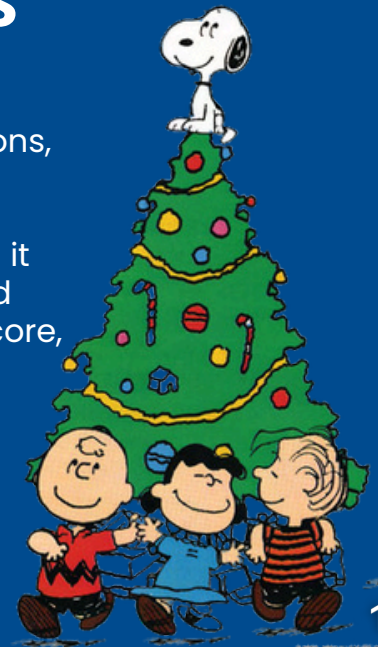
*A Charlie Brown Christmas* follows Charlie Brown as he sets out to discover the true meaning of the holiday season. Despite the decorations, presents, and cheerful spirit all around him, Charlie feels something is missing. With guidance from Lucy, Linus, Snoopy, and the rest of the Peanuts gang, he takes on directing the school Christmas play, hoping it will help him find what the season is really about. Based on the beloved television special, this faithful stage adaptation features the original score, gentle humor, and a timeless message about love, community, and simplicity. Don't miss this heartwarming holiday tradition for the whole family!

By Charles M. Schulz

Based on the television special by Bill Melendez and Lee Mendelson

Stage Adaptation by Eric Schaeffer

By Special Arrangement with Arthur Whitelaw and Ruby Persson



# READ ALONG

Follow this link to watch a read-along video of *A Charlie Brown Christmas* by Charles M. Schulz, read by Happy Cultivated!



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_N2FYHrnG8k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_N2FYHrnG8k)



# MAKE YOUR OWN BLANKET



**Activity Goal:** Craft a small, comforting blanket (Just like Linus'!) to snuggle with whenever you need a little extra warmth or comfort. This cozy project will let you design something that's uniquely yours, whether you keep it for yourself, gift it to a friend, or use it as a reminder of the love, friendship, and holiday spirit in *A Charlie Brown Christmas*.

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 2 large pieces of fleece fabric (about 2–3 feet wide, or any size you like)
- Scissors
- Ruler



## Instructions:

- 1. Lay Out Your Fabric:** Spread your fabric flat on a clean surface, like the floor or a big table. They can be the same patterned fleece or mixed and matched, but laid on top of each other.
- 2. Make Fringe Edges:**
  - If the edges of your fabric are uneven, carefully cut them straight with your scissors, cutting both pieces of fabric at the same time.
  - Use your ruler to measure and cut 4-inch-long strips along the sides of the blanket (about 1 inch wide). Make sure to cut the strips of both pieces of fabric at the same time.
  - Gently tie the 2 pieces of fabric together to create the knot.
- 3. Snuggle and Enjoy:** Once finished, wrap yourself in your cozy new blanket and feel as warm and comfy as Linus!



For more details, check out [this tutorial](#) by Cutesey Crafts.

# CREATE YOUR OWN COMIC STRIP

## Make Your Own Peanuts-Inspired Comic!

A **comic strip** is a sequence of drawings in boxes that tell an amusing story, typically printed in a newspaper or comic book. Below, you'll see an example of a real *Peanuts* comic strip, with Charlie Brown, Snoopy, and their friends. Use it as inspiration, then create your own comic strip in the template provided on the next page!

### WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

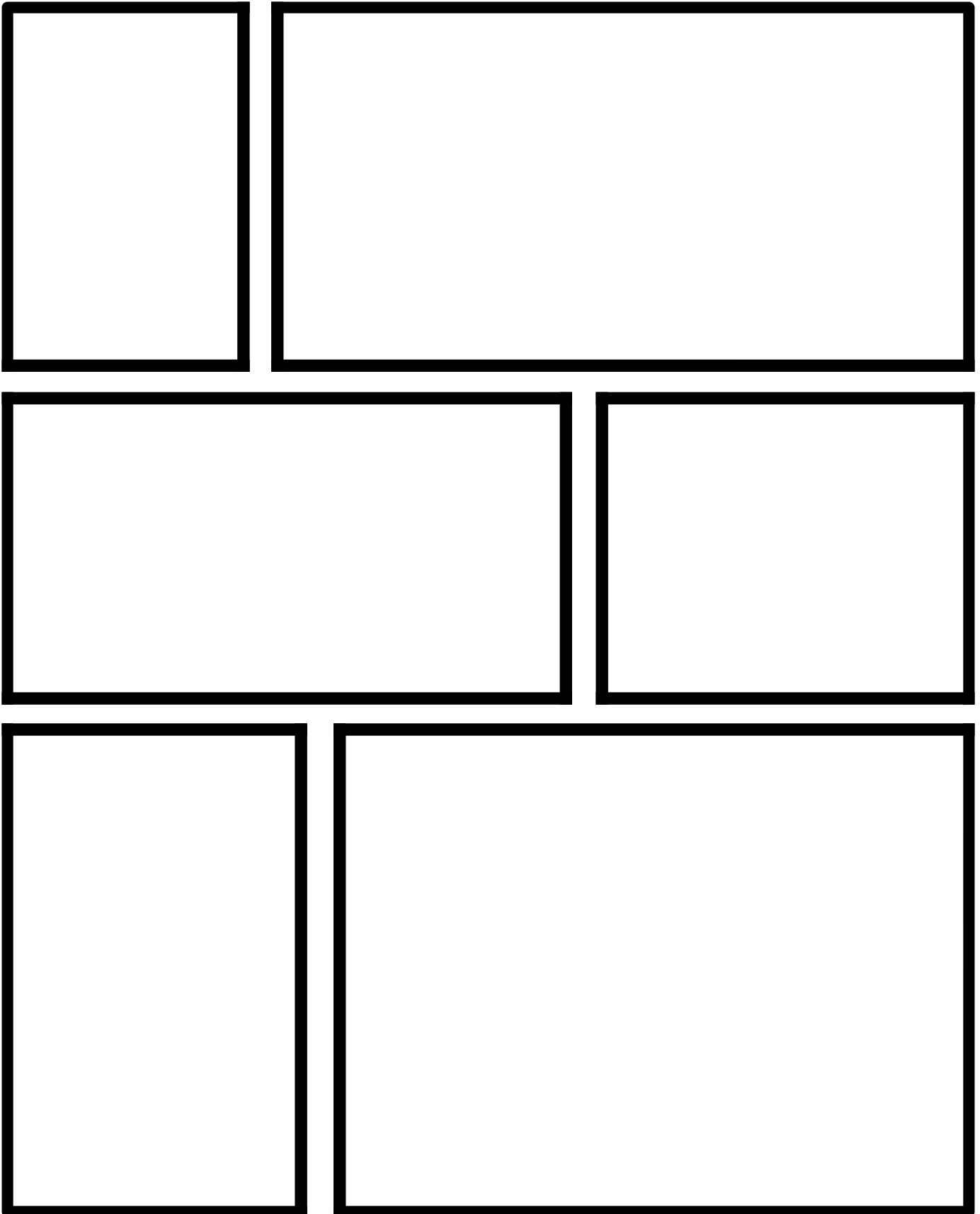
- Pencil
- Markers, crayons, or colored pencils



- 1. Think of a Story:** Decide what your comic will be about. Will it be silly, exciting, or sweet? You can use Peanuts characters like Charlie Brown, Snoopy, or Lucy, or make up brand-new characters of your own!
- 2. Sketch Your Scenes:** In the comic strip boxes, draw simple shapes for your characters and background. Remember to leave space for speech bubbles.
- 3. Add the Words:** Write short, fun dialogue in the speech bubbles, just like in a Peanuts comic.
- 4. Color and Finish:** Color in your drawings and trace over the pencil lines to make them bold and clear.
- 5. Share Your Comic:** Show your comic to friends or family and tell them the story you created!



# 'S COMIC STRIP



# A HOLIDAY KEEPSAKE

## Make a Holiday Handprint Ornament!



**Activity Goal:** The Peanut gang learned the importance of showing respect to all holidays. Create a one-of-a-kind keepsake for you to cherish this holiday season. Hang on your tree or give it as a gift!

### Materials:

- Acrylic Paint
- 1/2 Cup Salt
- Cookie Cutters
- 2 Cups Flour
- 3/4 Cup Water



### Let's Make It!

1. **Mix Your Dough** – Combine the flour, salt, and water in a bowl. Knead the dough for 15–20 minutes until it's smooth.
2. **Roll and Cut** – Roll out the dough and use cookie cutters to make your favorite shapes.
3. **Add Your Handprint** – Gently press your hand into the dough to make a print.
4. **Make a Hole** – Use a straw or the end of a pencil to make a small hole for the ribbon. Prick the dough with a fork to prevent bubbles.
5. **Bake** – Ask a grown-up to help you bake the ornaments at 300°F for about 20–25 minutes or until golden. Thicker ornaments might take longer. They'll harden more as they cool.
6. **Paint and Decorate** – Once cool, use acrylic paint to decorate. Add a coat of varnish to make them shiny.
7. **Hang or Gift** – Thread ribbon through the hole and hang it on your tree or give it as a holiday gift!

### Examples:



# A CHARLIE BROWN WORD SEARCH

**Activity Goal:** Have fun solving this word search inspired by *A Charlie Brown Christmas*.  
Answers are on the next page.



## A Charlie Brown Christmas

Charlie Brown  
Linus  
Pig Pen  
Schroder

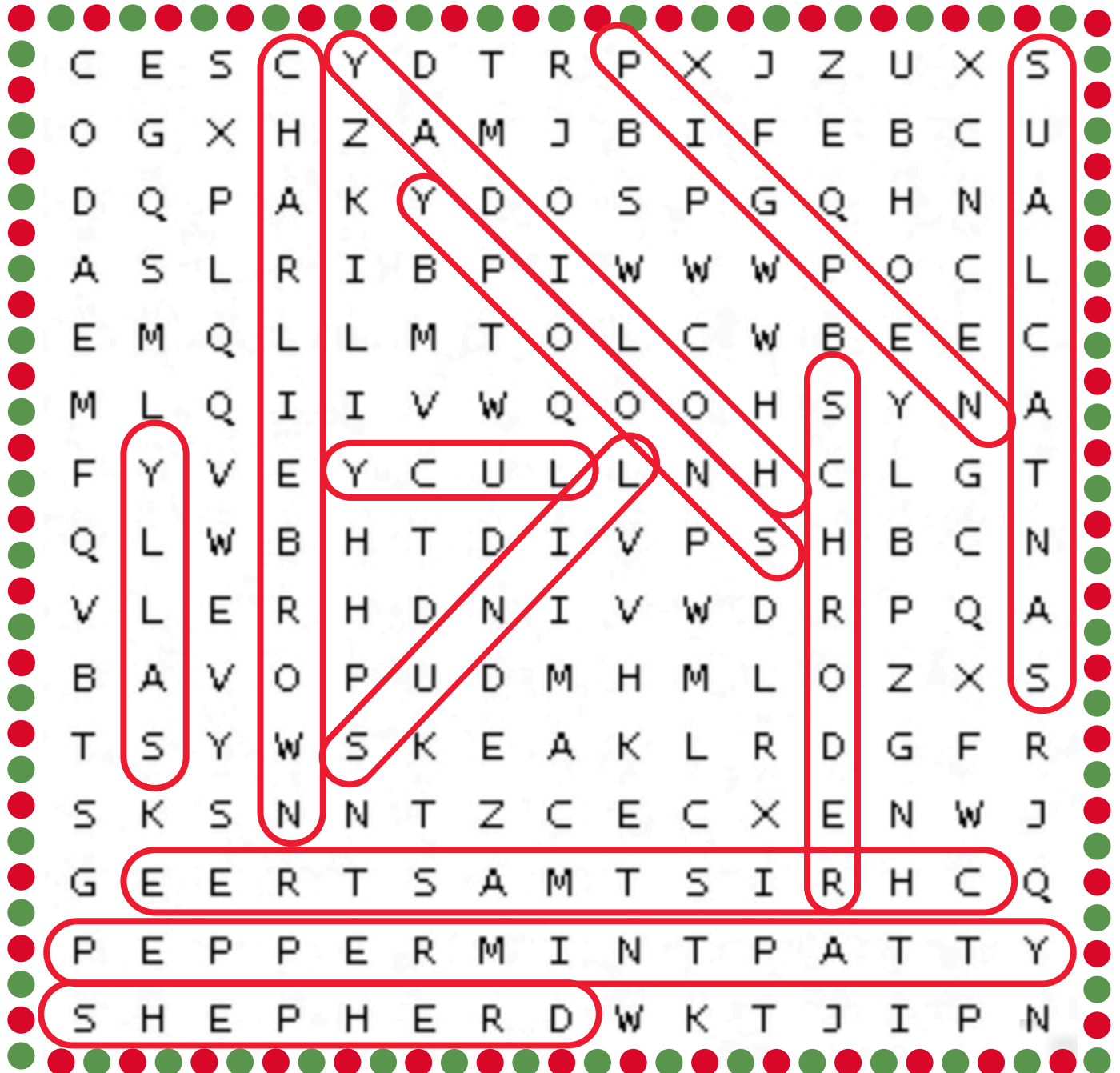
Christmas Tree  
Lucy  
Sally  
Shepherd

Holiday  
Peppermint Patty  
Santa Claus  
Snoopy



# A CHARLIE BROWN WORD SEARCH

## Answers



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# BAKE HOLIDAY COOKIES

## Bake Holiday Cookies with the Peanuts Gang!

**Activity Goal:** Nothing says the holidays like fresh-baked cookies! Inspired by *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, these treats are perfect to share with family and friends or enjoy while watching the TV special.



### INGREDIENTS



- 1 ½ cups flour
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup softened butter
- ¾ cup sugar

- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Cookie cutters  
(holiday shapes are extra fun!)
- Icing and sprinkles for decorating

### Let's Make Cookies!

1. **Preheat the Oven** - Ask a grown-up to help you set the oven to 350°F.
2. **Mix the Dry Ingredients** - In a small bowl, stir together the flour, baking powder, and salt.
3. **Make the Dough** - In a larger bowl, mix the butter and sugar until smooth. Beat in the egg and vanilla, then slowly add the dry ingredients. Mix until a dough forms.
4. **Roll and Cut** - Sprinkle flour on your counter. Roll the dough until it's about ¼ inch thick. Use cookie cutters to make fun holiday shapes... maybe a star, tree, or Snoopy's doghouse!
5. **Bake** - Ask a grown-up to help you place the cookies on a baking sheet and put them in the oven. Bake for 8–10 minutes or until the edges are just turning golden.
6. **Cool and Decorate** - Let the cookies cool completely, then add icing and sprinkles.
7. **Enjoy and Share** - Serve your cookies while watching *A Charlie Brown Christmas* and share them with friends or family.



# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



A Q+A or brief discussion will take place immediately following the performance.

At the end of the show, please remain seated as the cast will lead the audience through a talk back. Talk backs provide a further shared experience about the themes woven throughout the show.

## Some questions you may hear are...

- Snoopy loves decorating his doghouse for the holidays. **Do you have a favorite holiday tradition or decoration that makes you happy every year?**
- With the help of his friends, Charlie Brown learns that the holidays are about love, community, and simplicity. **Who are the people that make the holidays special for you? How can you show them you care?**
- In the play, the Peanuts gang comes together to help Charlie Brown feel included. **Can you think of a time when you helped someone feel welcome or part of the group? What did you do?**



Think about some questions you'd like to ask about the show, like how or why we did something! We will give you the opportunity to ask some of those questions.

At Magik Theatre we seek to not only provide amazing theatrical experiences but also to educate about the artistic medium of theatre to our audiences. We look forward to seeing you at the theatre!

# WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED!

Magik Theatre’s mission is to create theatrical experiences that ignite imagination, spark curiosity, inspire empathy, and foster a lifetime love of learning in young people.

## QUESTIONS?

### How to book a field trip or tour:

Email [info@magiktheatre.org](mailto:info@magiktheatre.org).

Call (210) 227-2751.

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## TEKS REFERENCES:

<https://tea.texas.gov/academics/curriculum-standards/teks/texas-essential-knowledge-and-skills>

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Grade	ELA	Science	Math	Social Studies	Art
<b>1st</b>	§110.3.11.B §110.3.9.A §110.3.10.C	§112.3.5.A §112.3.6.B §112.3.7.C	§111.3.7.A §111.3.5.B §111.3.2.D	§113.3.13.A §113.3.15.C	§117.3.2.C §117.3.1.B §117.3.4.A
<b>2nd</b>	§110.4.11.B §110.4.9.B §110.4.12.C	§112.4.5.A §112.4.6.A §112.4.7.C	§111.4.9.C §111.4.5.B §111.4.3.D	§113.4.12.A §113.4.14.B §113.4.15.A	§117.4.2.C §117.4.3.A §117.4.4.B
<b>3rd</b>	§110.5.11.B §110.5.9.A §110.5.10.D	§112.5.5.C §112.5.6.B	§111.5.3.B §111.5.5.A	§113.5.13.B §113.5.14.C §113.5.15.A	§117.5.2.C §117.5.1.A §117.5.4.A
<b>4th</b>	§110.6.11.B §110.6.9.B §110.6.12.A	§112.6.5.A §112.6.6.B	§111.6.5.D §111.6.6.A §111.6.1.F	§113.6.15.A §113.6.13.C	§117.6.2.C §117.6.3.A §117.6.4.A
<b>5th</b>	§110.7.11.B §110.7.9.A §110.7.12.B	§112.7.5.A §112.7.6.A	§111.7.4.H §111.7.3.A	§113.7.14.A §113.7.13.C §113.7.15.B	§117.7.2.C §117.7.4.A §117.7.3.B

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