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Scavenger Hunt: Capitalization

Directions: Complete the scavenger hunt below. You'll be hunting through the April 2018 issue of *Scope*.

1. Go to the article "The Children Who Escaped The Nazis." List all of the capitalized words in the sections "A Storm of Hatred" and "The Children."

Note:

- Do NOT list words that are capitalized only because they are the first word of a sentence.
- If a capitalized word appears more than once in the section, you only need to list it one time.
- If two or more words go together (for example, *Lore Sulzbacher*), list them together.

2. Based on the words you wrote in the box above, explain what type of words you think should always be capitalized. If there is anything you're unsure about in terms of capitalization, record your questions in the bottom section of this box.

Types of words that should always be capitalized:

My questions about capitalization:

3. In response to question 1, you should have written down *World War I*. If you missed it, add it to your list.

A. Now go to the section "Pushing Forward." Copy the first sentence of the second paragraph here:

B. Why is *war* capitalized in *World War I* but not in the sentence from "Pushing Forward"?

4. In response to question 1, you should have listed the words *November* and *March*. If you missed them, add them to your list.

A. Now go to "Stinky Pits: A History" on page 16. Copy the first sentence of the article here:

B. Circle the correct choice in each sentence:

Months **should/should not** be capitalized.

Seasons **should/should not** be capitalized.

5. A. Turn to "Did the World's Tallest Mountain Shrink?" on pages 28-29. In the article, does the author capitalize the name of the planet we live on?

B. Now read the following sentence:

Archaeologists used tiny brushes to remove the earth around the dinosaur bones.

When should the word *earth* be capitalized and when should it not be capitalized?

6. A. Turn to the interview on page 32. Read Bella's response to the second-to-last question. Why are the words *committee* and *board* capitalized in this paragraph?

B. Write a sentence using either the word *committee* or the word *board* such that it does not need to be capitalized.

If you still have questions about capitalization, discuss them with a partner or your teacher.