Hi, I’m Minnesota Muskrat. To read the following story, use your calculator to answer each problem in parentheses. Leave the answer on your calculator screen, and turn your calculator upside down to find the missing word. Then, write the word in the blank space before the problem. Remember to clear your calculator after you write down each word.

WHO IS FOLLOWING MINNESOTA MUSRKAT?

It was a bright clear summer day, and it was _____ (15 ÷ 30) hot that the __________ (23,152 + 30,553) of your __________ (10,609 x 5) would almost melt if you stood on the sidewalk too long.

Someone was following Minnesota Muskrat, and __________ (510 ÷ 15) knew it. _____, (2 ÷ 4) _______ (17 + 17) headed straight for the amusement park and the giant ant_________ (7,777 – 63) maze. The park was very crowded and the maze was a popular attraction, but Minnesota made _______ (257 x 2) way to the front of the line.

Into the maze he rushed, turning left, then right, zigging and zagging and always hearing footsteps behind him. Finally, _______ (255 – 221) turned a corner and found a spot where several paths met. He dropped his hat in front of one of the paths and hid. Soon, ________________ (310,523 + 40,550) appeared. _______ (23 x 15) picked up the hat and started cautiously down the path.

“______!” (.4 x .2) shouted Minnesota.

______________ (799,281 – 448,208) nearly jumped out of her __________! (103 x 515)

“Why did you follow me here?” asked Minnesota.

“_____ (19 – 18) want to be an adventurer like you, Uncle Minnesota,” answered little _______________. (1,053,219 ÷ 3)

“_____________.” (20 x 200) Minnesota Muskrat sighed.

“Let’s go and get some cotton candy,” _________ (13 + 21) said as he took her hand and led her out of the maze.

The End