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- 12. carpenter _____
- 13. dog _____
- 14. max _____
- 15. book _____
- 16. mayberry library _____
- 17. jupiter _____
- 18. planet _____
- 19. restaurant _____
- 20. doug's diner _____

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<i>examples:</i> author - <u>E. B. White</u> singer - <u>Carrie Underwood</u>
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- 24. holiday _____
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24. holiday Christmas
25. athlete Tom Brady