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Reading Comprehension
Sequencing: Order of Events

Get Ready, Get Pet, Go!



Keeping a hamster for a pet can be fun and interesting. If you'd like to try, you'll have to buy a small cage first. Check to be sure that the space between the bars is small so that your pet won't be able to crawl out.

Next, line the bottom of the cage with newspaper. Then put in 1 to 3 inches of cedar shavings. You can buy them at your pet store. They smell good, and they are good for tunneling.

After that, you will need to set up the food and water. Some cages have feeders that clip onto the bars. The feeder can hold the dry food. If you don't want to buy a feeder, you can just put a dish on the cage floor. Be sure it is heavy and flat. Attach a water bottle to the bars of the cage. You will have to adjust it carefully. The droplet must sit at the end of the tube without dripping onto the shavings.

Finally, you can add some fun equipment. Hamsters love to play around. Cardboard tubes, little ladders, and a wheel can provide recreation and exercise.

If you follow these steps, you will have the perfect place for a hamster to be happy and healthy. Now all you need to do is add the hamster!

Comprehension Plus Level C

Use the passage above to answer the following questions.

1. How do we know that this text is non-fiction?

It's about hamsters

It doesn't have characters, setting and plot

2. What is the author's purpose for writing this text?

to persuade us to buy a hamster to entertain us with a story about a hamster

to inform us about how to get ready for a hamster

3. Before you add cedar shavings you _____.

line the cage with newspaper

make sure the bottle doesn't drop

buy a hamster

attach a feeder to the bars

4. Which step comes first?

find a hamster play equipment

buy a cage

pick out a hamster

add cedar shavings

5. Choose the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 to put the events in order.

_____ buy a hamster

_____ attach a feeder

_____ line the bottom of the cage

_____ buy a cage

_____ add the cedar shavings

