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THE GIRAFFE

The giraffe has a tall, long neck that helps the giraffe get food from high places. The giraffe can bite leaves off of the top of a tree, and it can munch flowers on a roof.

A male will fight with his neck. This is called neck fighting. Two males hit each other with their heads, and they fight until they get tired. The giraffe that stops the fight wins.

A giraffe also uses his neck to keep safe. His long neck helps him to see danger when it is out in the grass. The giraffe watches for lions and other dangerous animals. The mother giraffe can be eating far away and can still keep an eye on her babies. She holds her head high and keeps looking around.

To stay alive, giraffes have to stand tall!



STORY QUESTIONS

1. What body part helps the giraffe eat leaves on the tops of trees?

a. head	c. feet
b. neck	d. ears
2. This story is mostly about . . .
 - a. a lion.
 - b. a mother.
 - c. the giraffe.
 - d. a baby.
3. A **synonym** is a word that means the same thing. *Munch* means . . .
 - a. watch
 - b. eat
 - c. look
 - d. stand