

I. Target vocabulary

Match the word with the best meaning for each one.

conceited

cunning

dumb

feat

punished

tricked

chief

deceive

mighty

length

stretch

vine

1. _____ a long plant that has flexible stems, like the grapevine.
2. _____ vain, excessively proud of oneself.
3. _____ to extend out completely.
4. _____ to deceive with tricks, cheat.
5. _____ the distance of something from end to end.
6. _____ an achievement that requires great courage, skill, or strength.
7. _____ the leader of a group of people.
8. _____ clever, astute, having or showing skills in achieving one's ends by deceit or evasion.
9. _____ having or showing superior force.
10. _____ inflict a penalty or sanction on someone in a retribution for an offense.
11. _____ the mislead people with a false appearance or comment.
12. _____ someone that is not intelligent

II. Reading comprehension

13. What is Anansi? _____
14. Who are Anansi's parents? _____
15. Why did Anansi's father punish him? _____
16. How did Nyame punish his son Anansi? _____
17. How did Nyame punish him in that way? _____
18. Did Anansi always behave badly? _____
19. How did Anansi cooperate with his parents? _____
20. Why did his father think Anansi was conceited? _____
21. What things did his father want Anansi bring to him to avoid he punishes Anansi because of his vanity? _____
22. How did Anansi discover what his father wanted? _____
23. Who did Anansi trick to steal his food? _____
24. Why do people respect Anansi? _____
25. What did his father want as a pay for his stories? _____
26. How did Anansi's stories help save his people? _____

A. He helped his parents to create the first people and taught them how to farm the land, weave cloth and build houses.

B. The Tortoise.

C. Because he tricked them again and again, and he never listened to a word his parents said.

D. A deadly python, one hundred stinging hornets, and an angry tiger.

E. Anansi is a little bit man, a little bit god, and a little bit spider.

F. He turned him into a spider.

G. The stories gave them hope and kept them strong when they were slaves in Africa.

H. He gave people the trick of stories.

I. The sun, the moon, and the night.

J. He thought that a little spider would be too small and weak to trick anyone.

K. No, he didn't.

L. Because Anansi said that he was cleverer than his father.

M. He disguised himself as a bird and perched outside his windows to hear him

N. Nyame and Asase Ya.