

Unit 7 : The Bear Dream

The bear's dream

The bear was a friendly animal and had many friends. In the morning, the bear and his friends used to play games by the river and in the evening, they used to sit in the sunset. The bear loved listening to his friends' stories. He could also tell very good stories himself.



One day, when the bear was walking down to the river, he saw a car. It was going very fast and suddenly a big bag fell off the car roof. The driver didn't stop. The bear looked into the bag and it made him very happy. In the bag there was the most beautiful violin in the whole wide world.



From that moment on, the bear had a dream. He wanted to be a violin player. He played his violin in the morning, he played it at lunchtime and he played it in the evening. At night, when he was tired from all the playing, he dreamt of his violin. He dreamt that he was a violin player and, in his favourite dream, he dreamt that he was giving a concert to a big group of friends.

One day, the bear went to see his friends. 'I am now a violin player,' he said, 'and I'd like to invite you to my concert on Sunday at seven o'clock by the river.' His friends thanked him.

When it was Sunday, everybody was excited. The bear waited for his friends to sit down. Then he closed his eyes and he started to play. He played for two hours and he didn't stop for one minute.



When he finished, he turned and he looked at his friends and waited.

His friends were silent. They didn't shout 'Hooray!' They didn't clap their hands and they didn't say a word. They were silent for a long time. Then the wolf began to speak. 'Dear bear!' she said. 'We love you very much, but you're a bear and **not** a violin player!' The animals laughed and a minute later they all left.



The bear was now alone. He looked at the sun. The sun was going down. The bear started to think. 'I think the wolf is wrong!' he thought. 'I **am** a violin player!'

The bear didn't forget his friends. He still played with them and went to their parties, but the bear didn't invite his friends to hear him play the violin any more. He played his violin every day for many hours. He played it in the morning, he played it at lunchtime and he played it in the evening. He played and played and played because he loved it ... and the forest birds loved it too.

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1. Match the words with the pictures

Sunset silent laugh invite concert in the whole wide world
 Friendly fall off dream leave alone famous



__in the whole wide world__



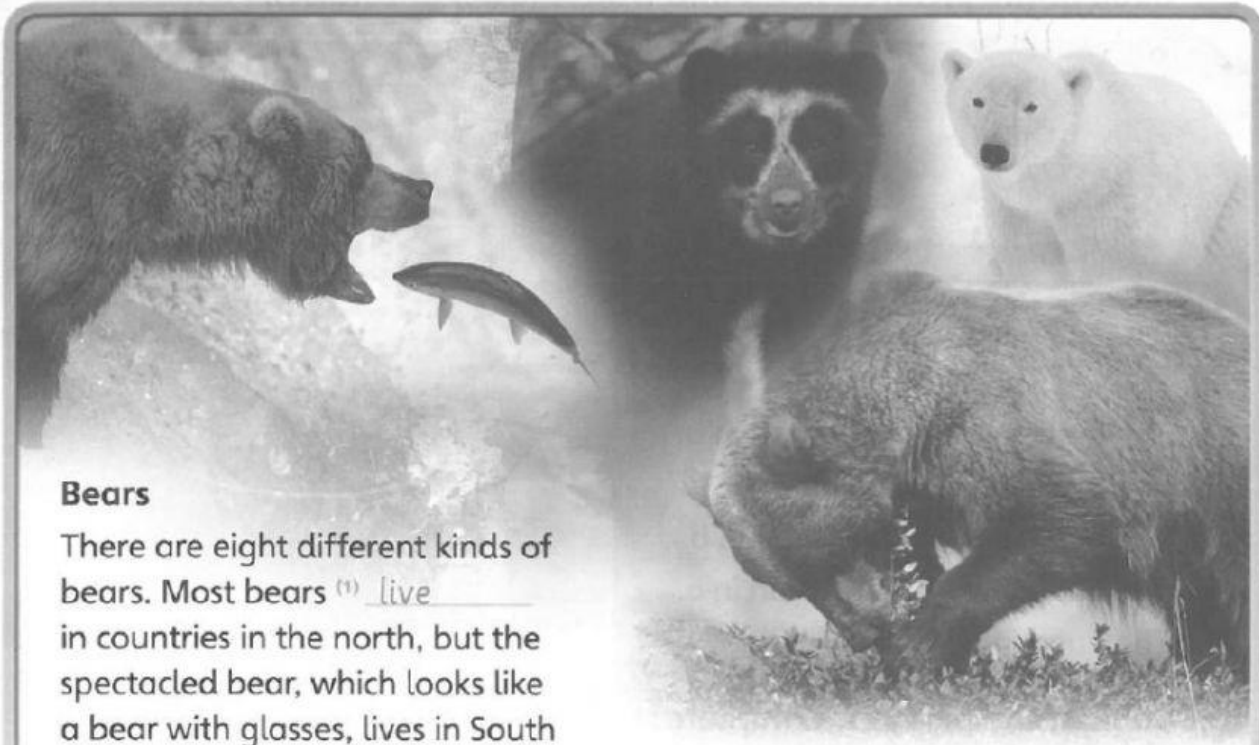
2 Read and write the words.

laughed ~~fell off~~ silent invite beautiful day

- The bear saw a big bag that fell off a car.
- In the bag there was a _____ violin.
- The bear played the violin all _____.
- One day the bear said to his friends, 'I'd like to _____ you to a concert.'
- After the concert his friends were _____.
- The animals _____ because they didn't like his music.

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1 Read the text. Choose the right words and write them on the lines.



Bears

There are eight different kinds of bears. Most bears ⁽¹⁾ live in countries in the north, but the spectacled bear, which looks like a bear with glasses, lives in South America. There aren't any bears in Africa and Australia. There ⁽²⁾ _____ bears in northern Africa, but there aren't any there now.

Bears have a big body, strong teeth and a short tail. Most bears eat animals and plants, ⁽³⁾ _____ the polar bear only eats other animals and the panda only eats plants.

Baby bears and young bears stay ⁽⁴⁾ _____ their mothers, but when they are older they live alone.

Bears usually look ⁽⁵⁾ _____ food during the day, but sometimes they are out at night.

They can smell other animals and people from far away, they can ⁽⁶⁾ _____ very quickly, they can climb trees and they are also good swimmers.

In autumn most bears eat a lot and then they go to a cave to sleep in winter.

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| 4 | at | up | with |
| 5 | on | in | for |
| 6 | runs | run | running |