

READING

Reading Comprehension

Read the passages below and answer the questions.

1. The box was heavy. Simon needed help to move it. He asked Tom. He asked Kate. They went to help. The box was full. It had books in it. Tom and Kate decided to read. Simon sat down to read too. The box stayed.
 - i. What was in the box?
 - a. Simon b. Books c. Boxes
 - ii. How many people came to help Simon?
 - a. 1 b. 2 c. 3
 - iii. What did Tom and Kate do?
 - a. Read books
 - b. Moved the box
 - c. Ran away
 - iv. Why didn't they move the box?
 - a. It was purple
 - b. They wanted to read
 - c. Kate went home

2. What About Rabbits?

Rabbits are small animals. They have short fluffy tails. Some have long ears that can hear very well. These ears can be floppy. Some also stick right up!

Rabbits eat all kinds of plants. They eat in fields. They eat in gardens. Some farmers do not like rabbits. They eat the vegetables farmers grow. Sometimes the rabbits eat young trees.

When a mother rabbit is having babies, she digs a hole. She puts in soft grass. She adds her own fur. This will keep the babies warm. She may have two to ten babies. Baby rabbits are called kits.

Some people have pet rabbits. They keep them in pens or cages. They might enter them in contests. Some pet rabbits can be trained to do tricks. Grains, vegetables and grass are good foods for them.

- a. What is this story mostly about?
- a. Rabbits

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- b. Plants rabbits eat
- c. Farming
 - ii. Why do some farmers dislike rabbits?
 - a. They run on the grass
 - b. They eat their trees and vegetables
 - c. They make too much noise
 - iii. Where might pet rabbits sleep?
 - a. In a field
 - b. A pen or cage
 - c. Under the blanket
 - iv. What are good foods for pet rabbits?
 - a. Vegetables and grass
 - b. Hot dogs and candy
 - c. Vegetables and meat
- 3. Read the sentences and word choices. Choose the word that completes each sentence.
 - i. My mother drinks _____.
 - a. tea
 - b. nails
 - c. watermelon
 - d. sandwiches
 - ii. The _____ on the radio was loud.
 - a. sun
 - b. water
 - c. music
 - d. computer
 - iii. Lucy walked all the way to the _____.
 - a. over
 - b. cut
 - c. under
 - d. park
 - iv. Maisie sat on the _____.
 - a. touch
 - b. something
 - c. bench

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d. large

4. Notice the underlined letters. Read the word choices. Listen for the word with the same sound as the underlined word and mark it.

i. pat

a. from

b. mad

c. goes

ii. mine

a. dime

b. into

c. hurt

iii. pump

a. child

b. cutting

c. shark

iv. shout

a. loud

b. crow

c. pill

v. made

. bake

a. puddle

b. line

vi. beg

. mass

a. kelp

b. broke

5. Read these sentences. Write ? or ! after each sentence.

a. What a great day this is for a race ____

b. Who is running in this race ____

c. Look how fast they run ____

d. Who will finish first ____

e. The runners are off ____

f. Run faster ____

g. Can you see the finish line ____

h. I won the race ____

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Penguins

A penguin is a bird that cannot fly. Its wings look and act like flippers. Penguins are very good swimmers and spend a lot of time in the water. White belly feathers and short black feathers in their backs make it hard to spot them in the water. They waddle when they walk. Most wild penguins live in the southern part of the world.

Female penguins lay one to three eggs. The male carries the eggs on his feet and covers them with rolls of body fat to keep them warm. A baby penguin is called a *chick* when it is hatched. Most penguins can live for almost twenty years.

6. **Directions:** After reading about penguins, decide if each statement is a fact or opinion. Write **F** for fact and **O** for opinion.

- _____ a. A penguin is a beautiful bird.
- _____ b. A penguin is a bird that cannot fly.
- _____ c. Penguins are good swimmers.
- _____ d. Baby penguins are called chicks.
- _____ e. Female penguins are good nest builders.
- _____ f. It is fun to watch penguins swimming.
- _____ g. Bird watchers like to watch penguins.
- _____ h. A penguin may live for twenty years.

7. Read the sentences below. Then, select words from the list to write on the lines.

Word List			
hospital	bookstore	bakery	park

My mom loves doughnuts. Dad and I wanted to surprise her with some. We stopped at the _____.

I love to read books! My mom said she would buy me a book at the _____.

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I hurt my ankle at my basketball game. My coach took me to the _____.

It was a warm sunny day and my family went to the _____.

8. Using the information in the first sentence, decide which word best completes each statement. Then, write that word on the line.

"Please put on your heavy winter coat before you go sledding," said my mom.

My mom wanted me to keep _____. cool warm

I put on my coat _____. I went sledding. before after

"Don't forget to bring your glasses, Tom! It will be hard to see the chalkboard if you don't wear them," reminded his dad.

Tom has _____ eyesight. good poor

Tom is _____. forgetful unserious

Tom is going to _____. school basketball practice

9. Tick the picture that does not belong in the group.

Fruit



Apple



Watermelon



Orange

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Corn

Wild Animals



Lion



Bear



Gorilla



Kitten

Flowers

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Grass



Rose



Sunflower



10. Read about flowers. Then, answer the questions.
Some flowers grow in pots. Many flowers grow in flower beds. Others grow beside the road. Some flowers begin from seeds. They grow into small buds. Then, they open wide and bloom. Flowers are pretty!
- a. Name two places flowers grow.
_____.
- b. Some flowers begin from _____.
_____.
- c. Then, flowers grow into small _____.
_____.
- d. Flowers then open wide and _____.
_____.