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QUESTION DETECTIVES

Ask and answer who, what, where, when, why, and how.

About 30 minutes Level ★★★☆☆

Question Words Help

Good readers ask **questions** before, during, and after reading. The answers are in the **key details**.

- Who asks about a person.
- What asks about a thing.
- Where asks about a place.
- When asks about a time, why about a reason, and how about a way.
- Look back at the paragraph numbers to check your answer.



The Windy Day

1. One **windy** morning, a girl and her little brother played in the park after breakfast. The girl wore a new red hat that was made for her birthday.
2. Soon a strong wind blew the red hat up into a tall tree. The girl felt sad. Her little brother ran to get a teacher from the school next to the park.
3. The teacher came fast with a long **stick**. She asked, 'How can we get the hat down?' Together they tapped the branch with the stick until the red hat fell down.
4. The girl said thank you and put the hat back on. Then the three friends sat on a bench at noon, ate red apples, and laughed about the windy day.

Task A

Example done for you

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Put the steps for answering questions in the right order.

- [ ] Write the answer in a full sentence.
- [ ] Check that the answer is in the text.
- [ ] Ask a who, what, or where question.
- [ ] Look back at paragraph 2 or 3 for key words.
- [1] Read the whole story one time.

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SOLVE THE MYSTERY

Use clues from the story to answer why.

Key words

who: which person
what: which thing
where: which place
when: which time
why: which reason
how: in what way

Task B

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Sort the clues and use key details to answer the why question.

Why did the little brother run to get a teacher?

Cut out the cards.

It was a windy morning. (paragraph 1)	The hat landed in a tall tree. (paragraph 2)	A strong wind blew the red hat up. (paragraph 2)
The girl felt sad. (paragraph 2)	The school was next to the park. (paragraph 2)	A girl and her little brother played in the park. (paragraph 1)
The teacher brought a long stick. (paragraph 3)		

Your answer, using the clues:

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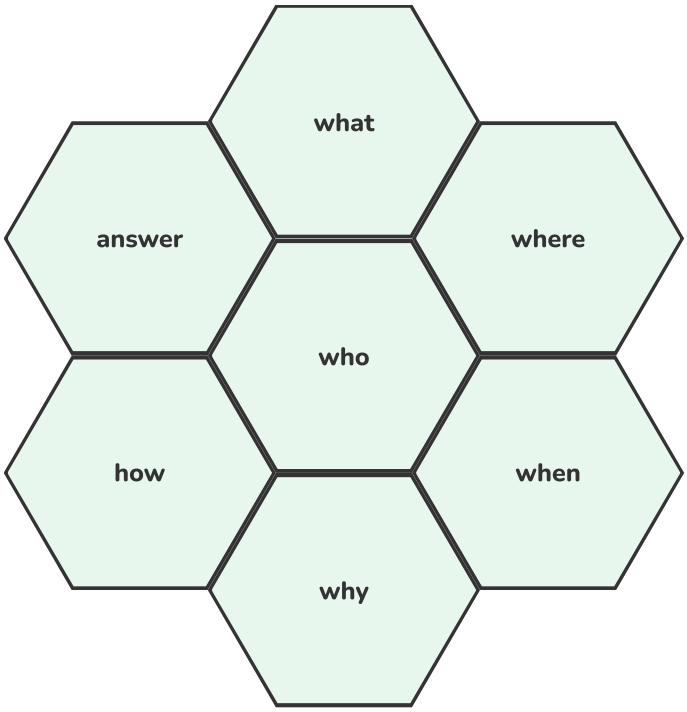
LINK THE IDEAS

Connect question words to show what they ask about.

Task C

Find links where hexagons touch and explain each link in a short sentence.



Words that touch	What's the link?

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FIND THE WORDS

Find question words and key details from the story.

Task D

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Find these **hidden** words about asking **questions**.

W	H	E	R	E	F	T	B	U	T
Y	T	K	L	Y	F	B	N	T	F
W	R	P	R	A	G	A	L	F	T
H	E	A	U	P	W	P	A	A	I
O	E	W	W	F	H	P	G	W	B
M	J	A	H	Y	Y	L	W	H	H
Y	B	K	E	O	T	E	H	O	J
E	F	F	N	H	N	S	A	W	R
K	H	A	T	O	W	C	T	E	H
P	A	R	K	P	H	F	V	U	I

- ☐ APPLES
- ☐ WHERE
- ☐ WHAT
- ☐ WHEN
- ☐ TREE
- ☐ PARK
- ☐ WHO
- ☐ WHY
- ☐ HOW
- ☐ HAT

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SHOW YOU KNOW

Pick the true caption and match question words to their jobs.

Task E

Example done for you

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Match each word to what it asks about by writing the number in the circle.

1	who		which thing
2	what		which reason
3	where	1	which person
4	when		which time
5	why		which place
6	how		in what way

How did I do?

Circle a face for each line.

I can ask who, what, where, when, why, and how questions.	☹	😐	☺
I can find key details in paragraphs 2 and 3.	☹	😐	☺
I can answer in a full sentence.	☹	😐	☺

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Answer sheet: Question Detectives

Task A

1. Read the whole story one time. 2. Ask a who, what, or where question. 3. Look back at paragraph 2 or 3 for key words. 4. Write the answer in a full sentence. 5. Check that the answer is in the text.

Task B

The little brother ran to get a teacher because the red hat blew into a tall tree and they needed help to get it down.

Red herring: They ate red apples on a bench at noon. (paragraph 4)

Task C

Answers will vary, e.g. who + answer: Who asks about a person, like the teacher.; what + answer: What asks about a thing, like the red hat.; where + when: Where is a place and when is a time, both are key details.

Task D



Words: APPLES, WHERE, WHAT, WHEN, TREE, PARK, WHO, WHY, HOW, HAT (see the grid)

Task E

1. who → which person
2. what → which thing
3. where → which place
4. when → which time
5. why → which reason
6. how → in what way

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