

Reading Comprehension Worksheet: Ask & Answer Questions

Read the short story and answer each question.



Who Was Jane Goodall?

Jane Goodall is a scientist who studies animals. She is most famous for studying chimpanzees.

When Jane was a little girl, she loved animals. She read books about wild animals and dreamed of going to Africa. She even brought worms and bugs into the house to learn more about them!

When she grew up, Jane traveled to Africa. She went into the forest and watched chimpanzees every day. She wrote down what they did. She learned that chimps used tools, hugged each other, and had strong families—just like people!

Jane worked for many years to protect chimpanzees and their homes. Today, she teaches kids all over the world how to care for animals and nature.



Name: _____

Who Was Jane Goodall?

1. What animal did Jane Goodall study the most?

- A. Lions
- B. Elephants
- C. Chimpanzees
- D. Bears

2. What did Jane do as a child?

- A. Went to Africa
- B. Brought bugs inside to learn about them
- C. Taught science in a school
- D. Built birdhouses

3. Fill in the blank:

Jane went to _____ to watch chimpanzees in the wild.

4. What did Jane Goodall learn about chimpanzees? Use a sentence from the text to explain.

5. Why do you think Jane wanted to protect animals and teach others?



Parent and Teacher Guide

Guide Reading Level: I

Lexile Level: 240L-390L

Grade Level: 1st Grade, End of the Year

Genre: Biography (Informational Text)

Introducing the Text

"Today we'll read about Jane Goodall, a real scientist who studied chimpanzees. As we read, we'll ask questions, find answers in the text, and use Jane's story to learn more about how people can help animals."

Vocabulary: scientist, chimpanzee, protect, forest, tools

Before Reading Discussion Questions

1. What do you think a scientist does?
 2. Have you ever heard of Jane Goodall?
 3. What would you want to learn if you could watch animals in the wild?
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During Reading Discussion Questions

1. Why did Jane go to Africa?
 2. What surprised Jane about chimpanzees?
 3. What did she do after watching chimps?
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After Reading Discussion Questions

1. What is something you learned about Jane Goodall that you didn't know?
 2. What part of the text helped you answer a question you had?
 3. How do Jane's actions help animals and people today?
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Activity Idea

Let students create a simple timeline of Jane's life: 1) Jane as a child who loved animals, 2) Jane goes to Africa, 3) Jane studies chimpanzees, 4) Jane teaches kids today. They can draw or use pictures and add short captions or labels using evidence from the text.

