

Reading Comprehension Worksheet: Author's Purpose

Read the short story and answer each question.



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Plants grow from seeds. But how do seeds get from one place to another? Seeds have different ways to travel.

Wind: Some seeds are light and have wings or fluff. The wind can carry them far away. Dandelion seeds float like tiny parachutes.

Water: Seeds that grow near water can float. They travel on rivers and streams to new places. Coconut seeds can float across oceans!

Animals: Some seeds stick to animal fur. Others are inside fruits that animals eat. When animals move, they take the seeds with them.

People: People also help seeds travel. When we plant gardens or carry fruits, seeds move to new spots.

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1. How do dandelion seeds travel?

- A. By water
- B. By wind
- C. By animals
- D. By people

2. Which seed can float across oceans?

- A. Apple
- B. Coconut
- C. Sunflower
- D. Pine

3. Fill in the blank:

Seeds that grow near water can _____.

4. Why is it important for seeds to travel to new places?

5. Can you think of other ways seeds might travel?



Parent and Teacher Guide

Guide Reading Level: J

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Grade Level: 2nd Grade, Beginning of the Year

Genre: Informational

Introducing the Text

"Today, we'll read about how seeds move from one place to another. As we read, think about the different ways seeds travel and why it's important for plants."

Vocabulary: seeds, travel, wind, water, animals

Before Reading Discussion Questions

1. What do you know about how plants grow?
 2. Have you ever seen seeds in the air or water?
 3. Why might seeds need to move to new places?
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During Reading Discussion Questions

1. How does the wind help some seeds?
 2. What role do animals play in moving seeds?
 3. Can people help seeds travel? How?
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After Reading Discussion Questions

1. Which method of seed travel did you find most interesting?
 2. Why do you think some seeds float while others stick to animals?
 3. How can understanding seed travel help us in gardening or farming?
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Activity Idea

Collect different types of seeds and classify them based on their method of travel. Discuss how each seed's design helps it move to new locations.

