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Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Circle group

On Sundays, Dad made pancakes. They were never round. One looked like a cloud. One looked like a boot.

Wren said, "Dad, they are lumpy."

Dad winked. "Welcome to the Lumpy Pancake Club," he said.

So Wren made a rule. Each one says what a pancake looks like. Wren saw a whale. Her brother saw a hat.

Now Wren loves Sundays. She likes the lumpy ones best, and the syrup.

Questions

1. When did Dad make pancakes?

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2. What did one pancake look like?

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3. What was Wren's rule?

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4. What did Wren's brother see?

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5. Why did Wren like the lumpy pancakes?

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Words to know

lumpy: bumpy and not smooth or flat
winked: closed one eye quickly as a joke
rule: something that tells people what to do

syrup: a thick, sweet liquid for pancakes

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Triangle group

On Sundays, Dad made pancakes. They were never round. One looked like a cloud. One looked like a boot.

Wren used to say, "Dad, they are lumpy."

Dad only winked. "Welcome to the Lumpy Pancake Club," he said.

So Wren made up a rule. Each person must say what their pancake looks like. Wren saw a whale. Her brother saw a hat.

Now Wren loves Sundays. She likes the lumpy ones best, and the syrup too. Next week, she will make the batter with Dad. She hopes it will look like a bunny.

Questions

1. When did Dad make pancakes?

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2. What did one pancake look like?

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3. What was Wren's new rule?

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4. What did Wren's brother see in his pancake?

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5. Why did Wren start to like the lumpy pancakes?

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Words to know

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syrup: a thick, sweet liquid for pancakes

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Square group

Every Sunday morning, Dad made pancakes for the whole family. They were never perfectly round. One looked like a fluffy cloud, and another looked like a boot.

Wren used to complain, "Dad, they are so lumpy."

Dad only winked. "Welcome," he said, "to the Lumpy Pancake Club."

So Wren invented a rule. Everyone had to say what their pancake looked like. Wren saw a whale, and her brother saw a hat.

Now Wren loves Sunday mornings. She likes the lumpy pancakes best of all, along with the sweet syrup.

Questions

1. On which day did Dad make pancakes?

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2. What did two of Dad's pancakes look like?

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3. What rule did Wren invent?

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4. What did Wren's brother see in his pancake?

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5. Why do you think Wren began to enjoy the lumpy pancakes?

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Words to know

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syrup: a thick, sweet liquid for pancakes

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

For the teacher: Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Easier · 70 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.7

1. On Sundays.
2. A cloud, or a boot.
3. Each one says what their pancake looks like.
4. A hat.
5. The game made them fun.

Triangle: Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

This passage · 93 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.9

1. On Sundays.
2. A cloud, or a boot.
3. Each person says what their pancake looks like.
4. A hat.
5. The game made them fun, so the odd shapes were a treat.

Square: Dad's Lumpy Pancake Club

Harder · 89 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.9

1. On Sundays.
2. One looked like a cloud and another looked like a boot.
3. Everyone had to say what their pancake looked like.
4. A hat.
5. The guessing game turned the odd shapes into something fun to share.