Name: _____ Date: _____

Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

Circle group

Pia drew a hopscotch with pink chalk. She put a number in each box. It took all morning.

Then it rained. Splash! The pink lines ran down the walk. The numbers were gone.

Pia sat on the step. She felt sad.

Her neighbor Ben came out with chalk. "I can help you draw it," he said.

Soon the new hopscotch was done. It had a star at the end. Pia hopped. Ben hopped too.

Questions

1. What color chalk did Pia use?

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2. What happened to the hopscotch?

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3. Who came to help Pia?

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4. What was at the end of the new hopscotch?

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5. How did Pia feel at the end?

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Words to know

hopscotch: a game where you hop on boxes drawn on the ground
chalk: a stick used to draw on the ground
neighbor: a person who lives close to you

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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Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

Triangle group

Pia drew a long hopscotch with pink chalk. She put a number in each box. It took all morning.

Then the rain came. Splash, splash! The pink lines ran down the sidewalk. The numbers were gone.

Pia sat on the step. She felt very sad.

Her neighbor Ben came out with a box of chalk. "I can help you draw it again," he said.

Soon the new hopscotch was done. This one had a star at the end. Pia hopped, and Ben hopped behind her.

Questions

1. What color chalk did Pia use?

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2. What happened to the hopscotch?

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3. Who came out to help Pia?

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4. What was at the end of the new hopscotch?

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5. How did Pia feel at the end of the story?

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Words to know

hopscotch: a game where you hop on boxes drawn on the ground
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sidewalk: a path where people walk next to a road

neighbor: a person who lives close to you

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Square group

Pia spent the whole morning drawing a long hopscotch on the sidewalk with pink chalk. She carefully wrote a number in every box.

Then the rain arrived. Splash, splash! The pink lines melted and ran down the sidewalk, and every number disappeared.

Pia sat on the front step, feeling very sad about all her hard work.

Her neighbor Ben came outside carrying a box of chalk. "I would be glad to help you draw it again," he offered.

Before long, the new hopscotch was finished. This one had a bright star at the very end. Pia hopped along the boxes, and Ben hopped right behind her.

Questions

1. What color chalk did Pia use for her hopscotch?

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2. What happened to the hopscotch after the rain arrived?

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3. Who came outside to help Pia?

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4. What was drawn at the end of the new hopscotch?

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5. How do you think Pia felt at the end of the story, and why?

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Words to know

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3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

For the teacher: Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

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

Circle: Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

Easier · 74 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.9

1. Pink.
2. The rain washed it away.
3. Ben, her neighbor.
4. A star.
5. Happy, because she had help and a new game.

Triangle: Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

This passage · 85 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.1

1. Pink.
2. The rain washed it away.
3. Her neighbor Ben.
4. A star.
5. Happy, because she had help and a new game.

Square: Rain Washed My Hopscotch Away

Harder · 106 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 4

1. Pink chalk.
2. The rain washed the lines and numbers away.
3. Her neighbor, Ben.
4. A bright star.
5. She felt happy, because a kind neighbor helped her make a new game.