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The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

Circle group

Flick the firefly had a dim light. The rest glowed bright. Flick felt small.

One night a lost chick peeped in the grass. It was dark. The bright ones were far away.

Flick flew down. His light was dim, but it was enough. "Come," he said. He lit the way.

The chick found its way home to its mother. Flick glowed a little brighter that night.

Questions

1. What was Flick's light like?

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2. Who was lost in the grass?

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3. Where were the bright fireflies?

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4. Where did the chick go with Flick's help?

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5. Why did Flick glow a little brighter?

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Words to know

dim: not very bright

firefly: a small bug that makes its own light

peep: to make a small, high sound

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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The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

Triangle group

Flick the firefly had a very dim light. The other fireflies glowed bright. Flick felt small and sad.

One night a lost chick peeped in the tall grass. It was dark. The bright fireflies had gone to the far field.

Flick flew down. His light was dim, but it was enough to see the grass. "Follow me," he said. He lit the path, one step at a time.

The chick found the way home to its mother, who gave it a big hug. "Thank you, Flick," said the chick. Flick glowed a little brighter that night, and he did not feel small at all.

Questions

1. What was Flick's light like?

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2. Who was lost in the grass?

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3. Where had the bright fireflies gone?

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4. Where did the chick go with Flick's help?

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5. Why did Flick glow a little brighter?

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Words to know

dim: not very bright
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path: a narrow way to walk along

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The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

Square group

Flick the firefly had a very dim light, while the other fireflies glowed brightly. Flick often felt small beside them.

One night a lost chick peeped nervously in the tall grass. It was dark, and the bright fireflies had flown off to the far field.

Flick swooped down. His light was dim, but it was just enough to show the grass ahead. "Follow me," he said kindly, and he lit the path one step at a time.

The chick found its way home to its mother. "Thank you, Flick," it said. That night Flick glowed a little brighter than before.

Questions

1. What was Flick's light like?

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2. Who was lost in the tall grass?

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3. Where had the bright fireflies flown?

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4. Where did the chick go with Flick's help?

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5. Why did Flick glow a little brighter that night?

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For the teacher: The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

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

Circle: The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

Easier · 66 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.4

1. Dim.
2. A chick.
3. Far away.
4. Home to its mother.
5. He was proud that his small light helped.

Triangle: The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

This passage · 104 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.8

1. Very dim.
2. A chick.
3. To the far field.
4. Home to its mother.
5. He felt proud that his small light had helped.

Square: The Dim Firefly and the Lost Chick

Harder · 100 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 2.7

1. Very dim.
2. A chick.
3. To the far field.
4. Home to its mother.
5. He felt proud that his small light had helped the chick.