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The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

Circle group

Wes was in the pumpkin patch. He saw a pumpkin with a tiny door. The door was round and red.

Wes knocked. Tap, tap! A small voice said, "Come in."

Inside was a little room. A mouse sat by a soup pot. "I am the cook," said the mouse. "My soup is too hot."

Wes blew on the soup. Whoo! The soup got cool. The mouse gave Wes a taste. It was sweet.

Questions

1. What did Wes see in the pumpkin patch?

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2. What color was the door?

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3. Who lived inside the pumpkin?

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4. What was wrong with the soup?

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5. How did Wes fix the problem?

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6. Did Wes like the soup?

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Words to know

pumpkin: a big round orange fruit that grows on a vine
patch: a small piece of ground where plants grow
tiny: very, very small
soup: a hot food made in a pot

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 Door in the Pumpkin Patch

Triangle group

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Wes knocked. Tap, tap! A small voice said, "Come in."

Inside was a little room. A mouse sat by a soup pot. "I am the pumpkin cook," said the mouse. "My soup is too hot to eat."

Wes blew on the soup. Whoo, whoo! The soup got cool. The mouse gave Wes a taste. It was sweet. Wes said, "I will come back."

Questions

1. What did Wes see in the pumpkin patch?

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2. What color was the door?

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3. Who lived inside the pumpkin?

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4. What was the problem with the soup?

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5. How did Wes fix the problem?

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6. Did Wes like the soup?

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The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

Square group

Wes was wandering through the pumpkin patch when he noticed one pumpkin with a tiny door. The door was round and bright red.

Wes knocked politely. Tap, tap! A small voice answered, "Come in."

Inside was a cozy little room. A mouse sat beside a soup pot. "I am the pumpkin cook," said the mouse. "Unfortunately, my soup is too hot to eat."

Wes leaned over and blew on the soup. Whoo, whoo! The soup soon cooled down. The mouse let Wes taste it, and it was sweet. Wes promised that he would come back.

Questions

1. What did Wes notice in the pumpkin patch?

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2. What color was the door?

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3. Who lived inside the pumpkin?

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4. What was the problem with the mouse's soup?

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5. How did Wes help solve the problem?

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6. How do you know Wes liked the soup?

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For the teacher: The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

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

Circle: The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

Easier · 73 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.1

1. A pumpkin with a tiny door.
2. Round and red.
3. A mouse who was a cook.
4. It was too hot.
5. He blew on the soup.
6. Yes. It was sweet.

Triangle: The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

This passage · 83 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.9

1. A pumpkin with a tiny door.
2. Round and red.
3. A mouse who was a cook.
4. It was too hot to eat.
5. He blew on the soup to cool it.
6. Yes, because it was sweet and he wanted to come back.

Square: The Door in the Pumpkin Patch

Harder · 95 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.6

1. A pumpkin with a tiny door.
2. Round and bright red.
3. A mouse who was the pumpkin cook.
4. It was too hot to eat.
5. He blew on the soup until it cooled down.
6. It was sweet and he promised to come back.