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The Umbrella That Rained Inside

Circle group

Rosa has a yellow umbrella. It is not like other umbrellas. When Rosa opens it, a little rain falls inside.

Drip, drip! It rains on her head. The sun is out. Rosa does not like it.

Then she sees dry flowers by the door. Their leaves are brown.

Rosa holds the umbrella over the flowers. The rain falls on them. They stand up and turn green. Now Rosa likes her umbrella.

Questions

1. What color is Rosa's umbrella?

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2. What happens when Rosa opens the umbrella?

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3. What does Rosa see by the door?

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4. Why does Rosa not like the umbrella at first?

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5. Why do the flowers turn green?

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Words to know

umbrella: a round cover you hold over your head to keep dry
drip: to fall in small drops
dry: with no water
leaves: the flat green parts of a plant that grow on a stem

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 Umbrella That Rained Inside

Triangle group

Rosa has a yellow umbrella. It is not like other umbrellas. When Rosa opens it, a little rain falls inside.

Drip, drip, drip! It rains on her head. Rosa is wet and the sun is out. She does not like it.

Then she sees the dry flowers by the door. Their leaves are brown.

Rosa holds the umbrella over the flowers. The little rain falls on them. They stand up and turn green. Now Rosa likes her umbrella.

Questions

1. What color is Rosa's umbrella?

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2. What happens when Rosa opens the umbrella?

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3. What does Rosa see by the door?

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4. Why does Rosa not like the umbrella at first?

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5. Why do the flowers turn green?

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Words to know

umbrella: a round cover you hold over your head to keep dry
drip: to fall in small drops
dry: with no water
leaves: the flat green parts of a plant that grow on a stem

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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The Umbrella That Rained Inside

Square group

Rosa owns a yellow umbrella that is not like other umbrellas. Whenever Rosa opens it, a little rain begins to fall inside.

Drip, drip, drip! The rain pattered on her head even though the sun was shining. Rosa felt wet and grumpy about it.

Then she noticed the dry flowers beside the door. Their leaves had turned brown.

Rosa held the umbrella over the flowers, and the little rain fell on them. They stood up straight and turned green again. Now Rosa loves her umbrella.

Questions

1. What color is Rosa's umbrella?

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2. What happens whenever Rosa opens her umbrella?

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3. What does Rosa notice beside the door?

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4. Why is Rosa grumpy about the umbrella at first?

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5. Why do the flowers turn green again?

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Words to know

umbrella: a round cover you hold over your head to keep dry
drip: to fall in small drops
dry: with no water

leaves: the flat green parts of a plant that grow on a stem

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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For the teacher: The Umbrella That Rained Inside

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

Circle: The Umbrella That Rained Inside

Easier · 71 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.8

1. It is yellow.
2. Rain falls inside it.
3. Dry flowers with brown leaves.
4. It rains on her head in the sun.
5. The rain gives them water.

Triangle: The Umbrella That Rained Inside

This passage · 78 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.9

1. It is yellow.
2. A little rain falls inside it.
3. Dry flowers with brown leaves.
4. It rains on her head even when the sun is out and the sky is clear.
5. The umbrella rain gives them water, so they can grow again.

Square: The Umbrella That Rained Inside

Harder · 85 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 4.1

1. It is yellow.
2. A little rain falls inside it.
3. Dry flowers with brown leaves.
4. It rains on her head even when the sun is out.
5. The umbrella rain gives them water.