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Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

Circle group

Rosa liked to collect stamps. She found them on old envelopes. She soaked each stamp in water. Then she let it dry.

One day, Hugo came over. He had a stamp with a red bird on it. Rosa had two stamps with a blue boat. "Let's swap," she said.

Hugo frowned. "I want to keep my bird," he said. "But I will trade it for both boats."

Rosa thought. She loved her boats. But she wanted that bird more. "Deal," she said.

Rosa put the bird in her book. Hugo took the boats home. They both felt like winners.

Questions

1. Where did Rosa find stamps?

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2. What did Rosa do to each stamp in water?

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3. What was on Hugo's stamp?

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4. What did Rosa give Hugo?

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5. Why did both friends feel like winners?

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Words to know

collect: to gather things of one kind and keep them
stamp: a small paper square you stick on a letter
swap: to give one thing and get another

frowned: made a sad or unsure face

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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Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

Triangle group

Rosa liked to collect stamps. She found them on old envelopes in the mail basket. She soaked each stamp in a bowl of water. Then she let it dry on a towel.

One day, Rosa's friend Hugo came over. He had a stamp with a tiny red bird on it. Rosa had two stamps with the same blue boat. "Let's swap," she said.

Hugo looked at the boat stamps. He frowned. "I want to keep my bird," he said. "But I would trade it for both boats."

Rosa thought for a moment. She loved her boats. But she wanted that bird more. "Deal," she said.

They shook hands. Rosa put the bird stamp in her book, on the page with the other birds. Hugo took the boats home. They both felt like winners.

Questions

1. Where did Rosa find the stamps?

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2. What did Rosa do to each stamp before it dried?

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3. What was on the stamp that Hugo had?

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4. What did Rosa give Hugo for his stamp?

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5. Why did both friends feel like winners?

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Words to know

collect: to gather things of one kind and keep them
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Talk together (every group has these)

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Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

Square group

Rosa enjoyed collecting postage stamps. She found them on old envelopes in the mail basket, and she carefully soaked each one in a bowl of water. Afterward, she let every stamp dry on a clean towel.

One afternoon, her friend Hugo came over to visit. He had a stamp with a tiny red bird on it. Rosa happened to have two stamps with the same blue boat. "Let's swap," she suggested.

Hugo studied the boat stamps and frowned. "I really want to keep my bird," he said. "But I would trade it for both of the boats."

Rosa thought about it for a long moment. She loved her boats, but she wanted that bird even more. "Deal," she finally said.

They shook hands on it. Rosa slid the bird stamp into her book, on the page with the other birds, and Hugo carried the boats home. They both felt like winners.

Questions

1. Where did Rosa find the stamps for her collection?

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2. What did Rosa do to each stamp before it dried on a towel?

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3. What picture was on the stamp that Hugo owned?

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4. What did Rosa trade to Hugo for his stamp?

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5. Why did both friends feel like winners after the trade?

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Words to know

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swap: to give one thing and get another
frowned: made a sad or unsure face

Talk together (every group has these)

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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: Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

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

Circle: Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

Easier · 99 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0

1. On old envelopes.
2. She soaked it.
3. A red bird.
4. Both of her blue boat stamps.
5. Each got a stamp they wanted more.

Triangle: Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

This passage · 133 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.6

1. On old envelopes in the mail basket.
2. She soaked it in a bowl of water.
3. A tiny red bird.
4. Both of her blue boat stamps.
5. Each one got a stamp that he or she wanted more than the one they gave up.

Square: Rosa and the Envelope Stamp Swap

Harder · 151 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.3

1. On old envelopes in the mail basket.
2. She soaked it in a bowl of water.
3. A tiny red bird.
4. Both of her blue boat stamps.
5. Each of them received a stamp that he or she wanted more than the one given away.