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The Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

Circle group

Rosa had a bakery with a bright sign. The sign said FRESH BREAD. One windy day, the wind took the first letter off the second word. Now the sign said FRESH READ.

Soon people stood in line. Mr. Tran asked for a mystery book. A girl wanted a book about horses.

"This is a bakery," said Rosa. "We have bread, not books."

"But your sign says fresh read," said Mr. Tran. Rosa looked up and laughed.

Then she had an idea. She baked a loaf like an open book. She put it in the window and taped the letter back. Under the sign she wrote, "Yes, you can read our bread."

Mr. Tran bought the loaf. "That is the best read in town," he said. He ate every page.

Questions

1. What did the sign say at first?

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2. What did the wind do to the sign?

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3. What did the sign say after that?

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4. What did Mr. Tran ask for?

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5. Why did people think Rosa sold books?

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6. Why was the book-shaped loaf a good idea?

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Words to know

bakery: a shop that makes and sells bread and cakes
mystery: a story about a puzzle that needs solving
loaf: a shaped lump of baked bread

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 Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

Triangle group

Rosa's bakery had a bright sign that said FRESH BREAD. One windy morning, the wind snatched the first letter off the second word. Now the sign said FRESH READ.

Soon people lined up at the door. Mr. Tran asked for a mystery novel. A girl wanted a book about horses.

"This is a bakery," said Rosa. "We have bread, not books."

"But your sign says fresh read," said Mr. Tran. Rosa looked up and laughed out loud.

Then she had an idea. She baked a loaf in the shape of an open book. She set it in the window, and she taped the missing letter back where it belonged. Under the sign she wrote, "Yes, you can read our bread."

Mr. Tran bought the loaf. "That is the best read in town," he said. He ate every page.

Questions

1. What did the bakery sign say at first?

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2. What did the wind do to the sign?

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3. What did the sign say after that?

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4. What kind of book did Mr. Tran ask for?

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5. Why did people think Rosa's bakery sold books?

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6. Why was the book-shaped loaf a clever idea?

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Words to know

bakery: a shop that makes and sells bread and cakes
snatched: grabbed quickly
mystery: a story about a puzzle that needs solving
novel: a long made-up story in a book
loaf: a shaped lump of baked bread

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 Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

Square group

Rosa's bakery had a cheerful sign that proudly announced FRESH BREAD. One blustery morning, the wind snatched the first letter off the second word. Suddenly the sign read FRESH READ.

Before long, people lined up outside the door. Mr. Tran requested a mystery novel, and a young girl asked for a book about horses.

"This is a bakery," said Rosa. "We sell bread, not books."

"But your sign says fresh read," said Mr. Tran. Rosa glanced up at the sign and laughed out loud.

Then she had a clever idea. She baked a loaf in the shape of an open book and placed it in the window. She also taped the missing letter back where it belonged. Underneath the sign she wrote, "Yes, you can read our bread."

Mr. Tran bought the loaf. "That is the best read in town," he said, and he ate every page.

Questions

1. What did the cheerful sign announce at first?

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2. What did the wind do to the sign?

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3. What did the sign read after the wind blew?

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4. What kind of book did Mr. Tran request?

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5. Why did people believe Rosa's bakery sold books?

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6. Why was the loaf shaped like an open book such a clever idea?

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Words to know

bakery: a shop that makes and sells bread and cakes
snatched: grabbed quickly
mystery: a story about a puzzle that needs solving
novel: a long made-up story in a book
loaf: a shaped lump of baked bread

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?

For the teacher: The Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

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

Circle: The Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

Easier · 129 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.2

1. FRESH BREAD.
2. It took off the first letter of the second word.
3. FRESH READ.
4. A mystery book.
5. The sign said fresh read, so they thought it meant something to read.
6. It matched the word read and still gave people bread.

Triangle: The Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

This passage · 138 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.8

1. FRESH BREAD.
2. It snatched off the first letter of the second word.
3. FRESH READ.
4. A mystery novel.
5. The sign said fresh read, so they thought it meant something to read.
6. It fit the word read and still gave people bread, so everybody was happy.

Square: The Bakery Sign That Lost a Letter

Harder · 147 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.2

1. FRESH BREAD.
2. It snatched off the first letter of the second word.
3. FRESH READ.
4. A mystery novel.
5. The sign said fresh read, so they thought it meant something to read.
6. It matched the word read while still giving people what a bakery sells, which is bread.