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The Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

Circle group

Skaters glide on ice. Their skates make scratches. The ice gets bumpy.

A driver comes with a big machine. It shaves the top of the ice. It spreads warm water.

The water freezes. The ice is smooth and shiny. Skaters can glide.

Questions

1. What do skates make on the ice?

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2. What does the machine shave?

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3. What does the machine spread?

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4. What does the ice look like at the end?

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5. Why does the driver smooth the ice?

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Words to know

glide: to slide along smoothly
scratch: a thin mark made by something sharp
shiny: bright, like a mirror in the sun

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 Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

Triangle group

Skaters glide on the ice all day. Their skates leave tiny scratches. The ice gets rough and bumpy.

Then a driver rides a big machine onto the rink. The machine shaves the top of the ice. It spreads a thin layer of warm water.

The water freezes. The ice is smooth and shiny like a mirror. The skaters can glide again.

Questions

1. What do skates leave on the ice?

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2. What does the machine shave?

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3. What does the machine spread on the ice?

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4. What does the ice look like at the end?

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5. Why does the driver need to smooth the ice?

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Words to know

glide: to slide along smoothly
scratch: a thin mark made by something sharp
rink: a flat place for skating on ice
shiny: bright, like a mirror in the sun

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 Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

Square group

All day long, skaters glide across the ice, and their skates leave behind tiny scratches. Slowly, the ice becomes rough and bumpy.

Then a driver steers a big machine onto the rink. The machine shaves off the top of the ice and spreads a thin layer of warm water over the surface.

As the water freezes, the ice turns smooth and shiny, almost like a mirror. Now the skaters can glide again without any bumps.

Questions

1. What do skates leave behind on the ice?

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2. What does the machine shave off?

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3. What does the machine spread over the ice?

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4. What does the finished ice look like?

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5. Why does the rink need the driver's machine?

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Words to know

glide: to slide along smoothly
scratch: a thin mark made by something sharp
rink: a flat place for skating on ice
shiny: bright, like a mirror in the sun

Talk together (every group has these)

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For the teacher: The Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

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

Circle: The Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

Easier · 42 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.8

1. Scratches.
2. The top of the ice.
3. Warm water.
4. Smooth and shiny.
5. Scratches make it bumpy, and skaters glide best on smooth ice.

Triangle: The Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

This passage · 61 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.8

1. Tiny scratches.
2. The top of the ice.
3. A thin layer of warm water.
4. Smooth and shiny, like a mirror.
5. Scratches make the ice bumpy, and skaters glide best on smooth ice.

Square: The Ice Rink Driver Makes a Mirror

Harder · 75 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 4.7

1. Tiny scratches.
2. The top of the ice.
3. A thin layer of warm water.
4. Smooth and shiny, almost like a mirror.
5. Scratches make the ice bumpy, and skaters need smooth ice to glide well.