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The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

Circle group

Drip, drip. A pipe under the sink leaks. A plumber comes.

First, she turns a small handle. The water shuts off.

Then she tightens the pipe with a wrench. She turns the water on. No drips! The sink is dry.

Questions

1. What leaks in the story?

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2. What does the plumber turn first?

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3. What tool does she use?

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4. What happens when the water goes back on?

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5. Why does she shut the water off first?

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Words to know

plumber: a person who fixes pipes and sinks
wrench: a tool that grips and turns hard things
tighten: to make something snug so it will not slip

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 Plumber Turns the Water Off First

Triangle group

Drip, drip, drip. A pipe under the sink is leaking. A plumber comes to fix it.

First, the plumber turns a small handle. The handle shuts the water off. Now no more water comes out.

Then she tightens the pipe with a wrench. She turns the water back on. No drips! The sink is dry.

Questions

1. What is leaking in the story?

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2. What does the plumber turn first?

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3. What tool does she use to tighten the pipe?

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4. What happens when she turns the water back on?

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5. Why does the plumber shut the water off before she fixes the pipe?

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Words to know

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The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

Square group

Drip, drip, drip. Water is leaking from a pipe under the kitchen sink, so a plumber comes to repair it.

Before anything else, the plumber turns a small handle that shuts off the water. With the water stopped, nothing can spray out while she works.

Next, she tightens the loose pipe with a wrench. Finally, she turns the water back on and checks the pipe carefully. There are no more drips, and the sink stays dry.

Questions

1. Where is the water leaking from?

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2. What does the plumber do before anything else?

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3. What tool does she use to tighten the pipe?

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4. What does she see when she turns the water back on?

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5. Why does the plumber stop the water before she works?

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For the teacher: The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

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

Circle: The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

Easier · 40 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.3

1. A pipe under the sink.
2. A small handle to shut the water off.
3. A wrench.
4. There are no drips.
5. So water will not spray out while she works.

Triangle: The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

This passage · 55 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.5

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2. A small handle that shuts the water off.
3. A wrench.
4. There are no more drips.
5. So water will not spray out while she works.

Square: The Plumber Turns the Water Off First

Harder · 76 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.9

1. A pipe under the kitchen sink.
2. She turns a small handle that shuts off the water.
3. A wrench.
4. There are no more drips.
5. Then nothing can spray out while she works on the pipe.