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The Shearer Gives a Sheep a Haircut

Circle group

A sheep has wool. The wool is thick. In spring, it is hot.

A shearer comes. She cuts the wool off. Buzz, buzz. The sheep is not hurt.

Now the sheep is cool. The wool grows back. Wool can be yarn for socks.

Questions

1. What does a sheep have on its body?

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2. What does the shearer use to cut the wool?

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3. What can wool be made into?

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4. Does the wool grow back?

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5. Why is the sheep cool at the end?

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Words to know

wool: the soft, thick hair of a sheep
shearer: a person who cuts the wool off a sheep
yarn: a long thread used to knit things

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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Triangle group

A sheep has thick wool. In spring, the wool is too hot. A shearer comes to help.

She sits the sheep down. She cuts off the wool with clippers. Buzz, buzz. The sheep is not hurt.

The sheep feels light and cool. The wool grows back. The wool can be made into yarn for socks.

Questions

1. What does a sheep have on its body?

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2. What does the shearer use to cut the wool?

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3. What can wool be made into?

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4. Does the wool grow back?

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5. Why does the sheep feel good after its haircut?

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Square group

A sheep is covered in thick wool. By spring, all that wool makes the sheep too warm, so a shearer visits the farm to help.

Gently, she sits the sheep down. Then she cuts off the wool with a pair of clippers. They buzz as they work, and the sheep is not hurt at all.

Afterward, the sheep feels light and cool. Best of all, the wool grows back. The wool that was cut off can be spun into yarn, and the yarn can be knitted into socks.

Questions

1. What covers a sheep's body?

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2. What tool does the shearer use to cut off the wool?

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3. What can the wool be spun into, and then knitted into?

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4. What happens to the wool after the haircut?

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5. Why does the sheep feel better after the haircut?

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For the teacher: The Shearer Gives a Sheep a Haircut

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

Circle: The Shearer Gives a Sheep a Haircut

Easier · 43 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.8

1. Thick wool.
2. Clippers, with a buzz.
3. Yarn for socks.
4. Yes, it grows back.
5. The hot wool is gone, so the sheep feels cool.

Triangle: The Shearer Gives a Sheep a Haircut

This passage · 55 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1

1. Thick wool.
2. Clippers.
3. Yarn for socks.
4. Yes, it grows back.
5. The thick wool was too hot, and now the sheep is light and cool.

Square: The Shearer Gives a Sheep a Haircut

Harder · 88 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.8

1. Thick wool.
2. A pair of clippers.
3. It is spun into yarn and knitted into socks.
4. It grows back.
5. Its thick wool made it too warm, and now it feels light and cool.