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A Snail Packs Its House

Circle group

A snail has a shell. The shell is its house.

A snail is slow. It has one soft foot. It leaves a wet trail.

If it is scared, it hides in the shell. It is safe.

Questions

1. What is on the snail's back?

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2. What does the snail leave?

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3. Is a snail fast or slow?

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4. Where does the snail hide?

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5. Why is the shell like a house?

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Words to know

snail: a small, slow animal with a shell
shell: the hard cover on a snail's back
trail: a line that something leaves behind
safe: not in danger

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 snail has a shell on its back. The shell is its house.

A snail is slow. It slides on one soft foot. It leaves a wet trail.

If it is scared, the snail pulls in. It hides inside the shell. Now it is safe.

Questions

1. Where is the snail's shell?

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2. What does the snail leave behind?

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3. Is a snail fast or slow?

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4. Where does the snail hide?

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5. Why is the shell like a house?

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Square group

A snail carries a hard shell on its back, and the shell is like a little house that goes wherever the snail goes.

A snail moves very slowly. It glides along on one soft foot and leaves a wet, shiny trail behind it.

When the snail feels scared, it pulls its body inside the shell and hides there. Now it is safe.

Questions

1. What does a snail carry on its back?

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2. What does the snail leave behind it as it glides?

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3. How fast does a snail move?

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4. What does the snail do when it feels scared?

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5. Why is the shell like a little house?

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For the teacher: A Snail Packs Its House

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

Circle: A Snail Packs Its House

Easier · 36 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.8

1. A shell.
2. A wet trail.
3. Slow.
4. In its shell.
5. The snail goes inside to be safe.

Triangle: A Snail Packs Its House

This passage · 45 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.3

1. On its back.
2. A wet trail.
3. Slow.
4. Inside its shell.
5. The snail can go inside it to stay safe.

Square: A Snail Packs Its House

Harder · 62 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.1

1. A hard shell.
2. A wet, shiny trail.
3. Very slowly.
4. It pulls its body inside the shell and hides.
5. It goes everywhere with the snail, and the snail can hide inside to stay safe.