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The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

Circle group

Blink, blink! You blink a lot. You do not think about it.

Your eyelid wipes your eye. It spreads a thin wet layer. That keeps your eye from going dry. It wipes off dust.

A blink is fast. Try not to blink. It is hard!

Questions

1. What do you do with your eyelid?

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2. What does a blink spread on your eye?

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3. What does a blink wipe off?

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4. Is a blink fast or slow?

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5. Why is it hard not to blink?

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Words to know

blink: to close and open your eyes fast
eyelid: the skin that closes over your eye
dust: tiny bits of dirt in the air

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 Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

Triangle group

Blink, blink! Did you blink just now? You blink a lot each day, and you do not even think about it.

When you blink, your eyelid wipes your eye. It spreads a thin wet layer over it. That keeps your eye from getting dry. It also wipes off tiny specks of dust.

A blink is very fast. Your eyes close and open in a flash.

Try to stare without a blink. It is hard! Soon your eyes want to blink.

Questions

1. What do you do with your eyelid?

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2. What does a blink spread over your eye?

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3. What does a blink wipe off?

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4. Is a blink fast or slow?

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5. Why is it hard to stare without a blink?

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Words to know

blink: to close and open your eyes fast
eyelid: the skin that closes over your eye
dust: tiny bits of dirt in the air
stare: to look at one thing for a long time

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The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

Square group

Blink, blink! You probably blinked just now, and you blink many times each day without ever thinking about it.

Each time you blink, your eyelid sweeps across your eye and spreads a thin, wet layer over it. That keeps your eye from becoming dry, and it also wipes away tiny specks of dust.

A blink is extremely fast, because your eyes close and open again in a flash.

If you try to stare without blinking, you will find that it is very hard, because your eyes soon want to blink.

Questions

1. What does your eyelid do many times each day?

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2. What does a blink spread over your eye?

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3. What does a blink wipe away?

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4. Is a blink fast or slow?

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5. Why is it so hard to stare without blinking?

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Words to know

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For the teacher: The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

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

Circle: The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

Easier · 45 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.5

1. Blink.
2. A thin wet layer.
3. Dust.
4. Fast.
5. Your eyes need to blink to stay wet.

Triangle: The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

This passage · 80 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.3

1. Blink.
2. A thin wet layer.
3. Tiny specks of dust.
4. Very fast.
5. Your eyes need to blink to stay wet.

Square: The Quick Blink: Eyes That Wash Themselves

Harder · 90 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 5.3

1. It blinks.
2. A thin, wet layer.
3. Tiny specks of dust.
4. Extremely fast.
5. Your eyes need to blink to stay wet.