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Summer Reading Book Report



Directions: Use complete sentences and correct grammar. Make sure to write at least two complete sentences for each section.

Title: The Lion of Mars

Author: Jennifer L Holm

Who are the main characters?

When and where does the story take place?

What happened in the beginning of the story?

What happened in the middle of the story?

How did the story end?

Did you enjoy reading this book? Why or why not?

Dear Donna

Read the letter. Then, answer the questions on the next page.

June 13, 2014

Dear Donna,

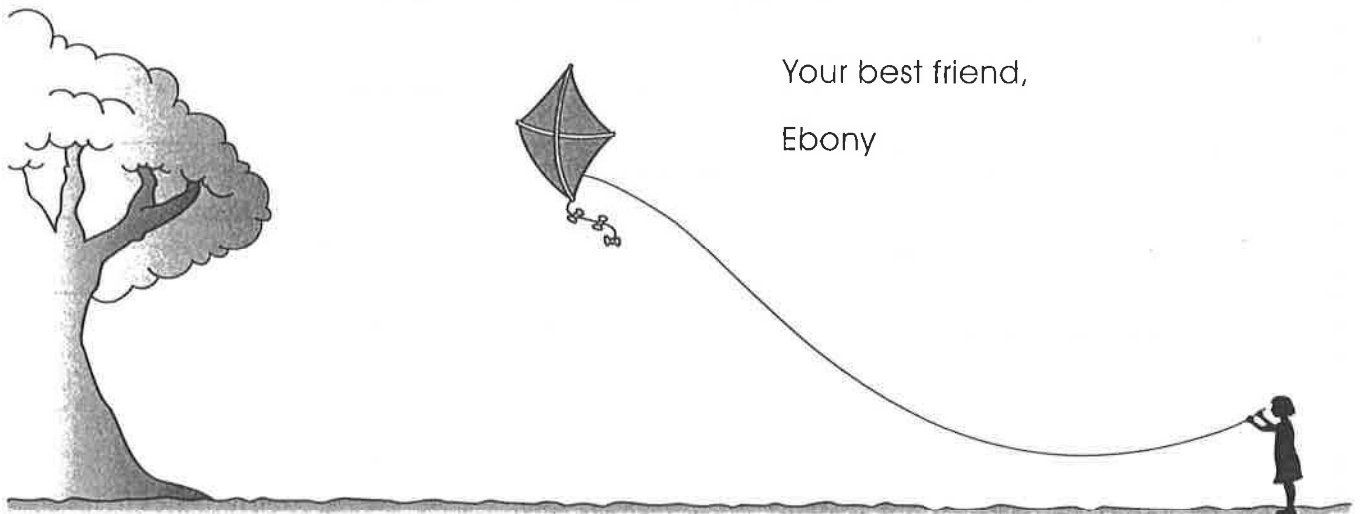
The other day was a bad day for my mom and me. I forgot to pick a few ears of corn from our garden for dinner, and she was upset. She even *restricted* me to my room so I couldn't play outside. I can understand why she was so upset with me; I forgot to do my chores.

A few hours after she sent me to my room, I apologized to her for forgetting. I think my apology made my mom feel better, because she let me go outside to play. I was excited to use the new kite that I got for my birthday.

The sun was shining brightly, and there was just enough wind to fly my kite. After I looked at the kite flying high up in the sky, a feeling of happiness came over me. It was like magic!

The wind started to die down, so I decided to pull my kite down and go home. The minute I walked into the kitchen holding my kite, my mom smiled at me. I asked her why she was smiling. Mom told me that my red cheeks and the smile on my face made her happy!

After dinner, I went to my mom and kissed her on the cheek. She asked me why I did that. I told her that her smile made me happy. It was a good ending to a bad day. I hope to hear from you soon.



Your best friend,

Ebony

Use the letter to answer the questions.

1. The word *restricted* means
 - A. tricked again
 - B. kept within limits
 - C. yelled
 - D. upset

2. What was Ebony's punishment for not completing her chore?
 - A. cleaning her room
 - B. flying a kite
 - C. not playing outside
 - D. cleaning the dishes

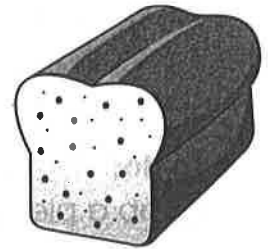
3. What feeling did Ebony get when she was able to fly her kite?
 - A. happy
 - B. depressed
 - C. anxious
 - D. scared

4. What made Ebony's mother happy?
 - A. dinner
 - B. Ebony's red cheeks and smile
 - C. Ebony's kite
 - D. gardening

5. Why do you think Ebony likes to see her mother smile?

Write the past-tense form of each verb to complete each sentence.

1. Caleb _____ a card for Mason.
(buy)
2. Jayla _____ her dog to the park.
(take)
3. She _____ enough bread for a week.
(make)
4. Daysha and I _____ the movie last night.
(see)
5. I _____ to the grocery store.
(go)
6. The bird _____ to the nest.
(fly)



Write *am*, *is*, or *are* to complete each sentence.

7. I _____ the tallest girl in my class.
8. My lunch _____ in my backpack.
9. We _____ in line for the roller coaster.
10. I _____ ready to go biking.
11. Jacob's friends _____ laughing at a joke.
12. Aunt Davetta _____ listening to the radio.
13. We _____ painting the room green.

FACTOID: The human body contains about 60,000 miles of blood vessels.

Read the sentences. Look at each underlined word. Then, color in the circle to tell if the word is spelled correctly or incorrectly.

EXAMPLE:

We ate biscuits with butter on them.

CORRECT

INCORRECT



1. We wint to the store for some cereal and milk.



2. The cat will chase a mouse.



3. We will plant our flower bed.



4. The keng asked the queen to dance.



5. Think of a good name for a puppy.



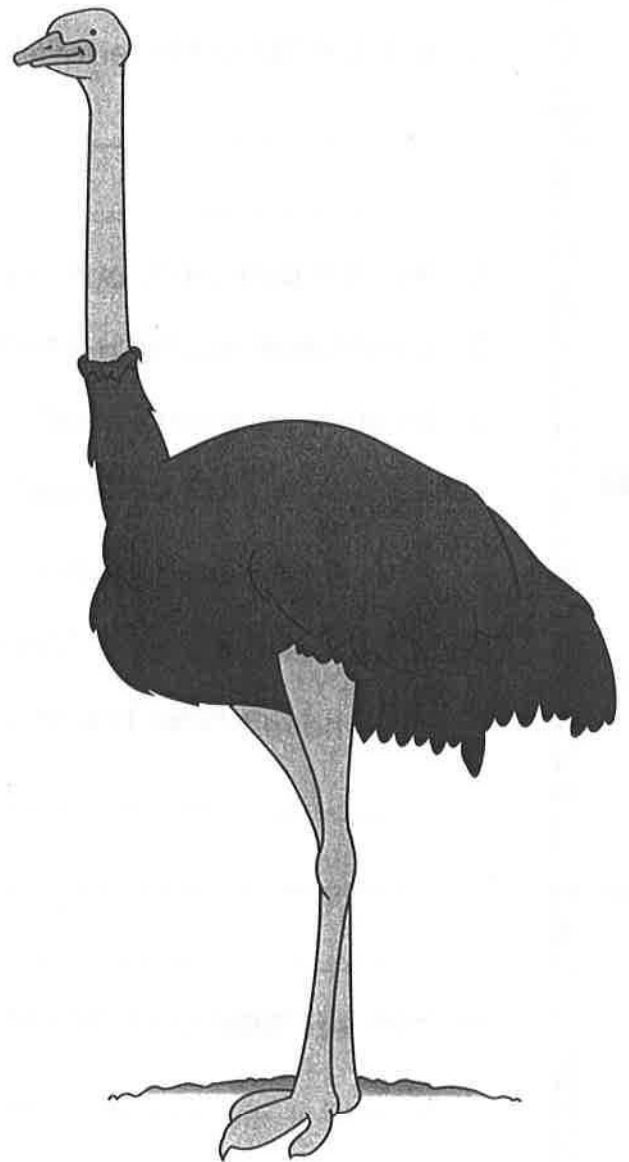
Imagine that you are collecting items for a time capsule that will be opened in 20 years. What things would you put in the capsule to tell about your life right now?

The Ostrich

Read the passage.

The ostrich is a unique bird. It is the largest bird. It can grow to be eight feet tall and can weigh more than 200 pounds. Unlike most other birds, the ostrich cannot fly. Its long legs help it run very fast. It runs with its wings outstretched. It uses its strong legs to protect itself, and it will run or kick if threatened.

The ostrich lays eggs and has feathers like other birds. Its eggs are extremely large. In fact, its eggs are almost the size of a football and can weigh nearly three pounds. The male ostrich digs a hole in the ground for a nest. The female ostrich lays her eggs in the hole. Then, both parents protect the eggs until the chicks hatch. Often, the female sits on the eggs during the day, and the male sits on the eggs during the night. After the chicks hatch, the parents continue to be very protective until the chicks can take care of themselves.



Use the passage to answer the questions.

1. Circle the letter of the sentence that tells the main idea.
 - A. The ostrich is the largest bird.
 - B. The ostrich is one of the most unique of all birds.
 - C. The ostrich lays eggs and has feathers like other birds.

2. Write a *T* if the sentence is true. Write an *F* if the sentence is false.
 - _____ A. The ostrich can fly.
 - _____ B. The ostrich can run very fast.
 - _____ C. The mother ostrich lays its eggs in a hole in the ground.
 - _____ D. The ostrich cannot kick without falling down.

3. Compare the ostrich to other birds. Put an *X* in the boxes to show whether each characteristic describes the ostrich, other birds, or both.

ostrich		other birds
<input type="checkbox"/>	can fly	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	has/have feathers	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	lays eggs	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	grows to be 8 feet tall	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	protective of young	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Complete each sentence by circling the correct homophone.

The ostrich can grow to be _____ feet tall.

ate eight

The ostrich can weigh more than _____ hundred pounds.

too two

The ostrich egg can _____ nearly three pounds.

way weigh

The _____ ostrich digs a hole in the ground for the nest.

mail male

The ending *-er* sometimes means "more." It may be used to compare two things. The ending *-est* means "most." It is used to compare more than two things. If a word ends in *e*, only add *-r* or *-st* to the word. Write the appropriate ending in each blank.

5. The ostrich is large _____ than most birds.
6. It is probably the tall _____ of all birds.
7. Ostrich eggs are the large _____ eggs in the world.
8. Its powerful legs make it the fast _____ bird on the ground.

Read the passage. Then, answer the questions.

Some people save stamps. They keep their stamps in albums. They like to look at them. Some people like stamps that are very old. Some people like pretty stamps. Some people like stamps from places that are far away. Some stamps are worth a lot of money. Stamps that were printed incorrectly can be worth the most.



1. Where do some people keep their stamps?

2. What is one reason people keep stamps?

3. Name two kinds of stamps that people keep.

4. What kinds of stamps can be worth the most?



CHARACTER CHECK: What would you do if you heard your classmates teasing or making fun of someone?