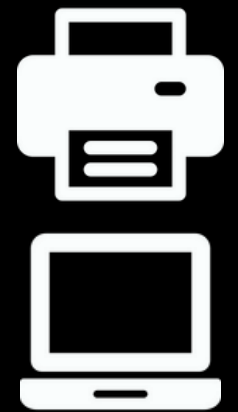


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Paired Passages

Metamorphosis in Butterflies

Butterflies go through four stages of metamorphosis (major changes, in their journey to becoming an adult, the size of a pinhead. The mother butterfly must find exactly the right plant, called a host plant. Otherwise, the baby butterfly will not survive.)

1. Egg - The mother butterfly lays tiny eggs on a host plant.

2. Larva - The larva is a tiny caterpillar that eats the leaves of the host plant.

3. Pupa - The pupa is a chrysalis that is hidden away. It is a protective case that the caterpillar makes for itself.

4. Adult - The adult butterfly emerges from the pupa. It is now ready to fly and find a new host plant.

Paired Passages

1st Read Questions

1. How long can the metamorphosis process last?

A few hours to a day	Several days to a few weeks	Several weeks to several months
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Paired Passages

2nd Read Questions

6. Which word could replace metamorphosis in the passage while not changing the meaning of the sentence?

Solidification	Transformation	Mourning
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8. The passage talks about butterflies needing to reproduce.

9. Using what you know about the prefix re-, which is the best meaning of the word reproduce?

10. What is the main idea of the passage?

Paired Passages Answer Key

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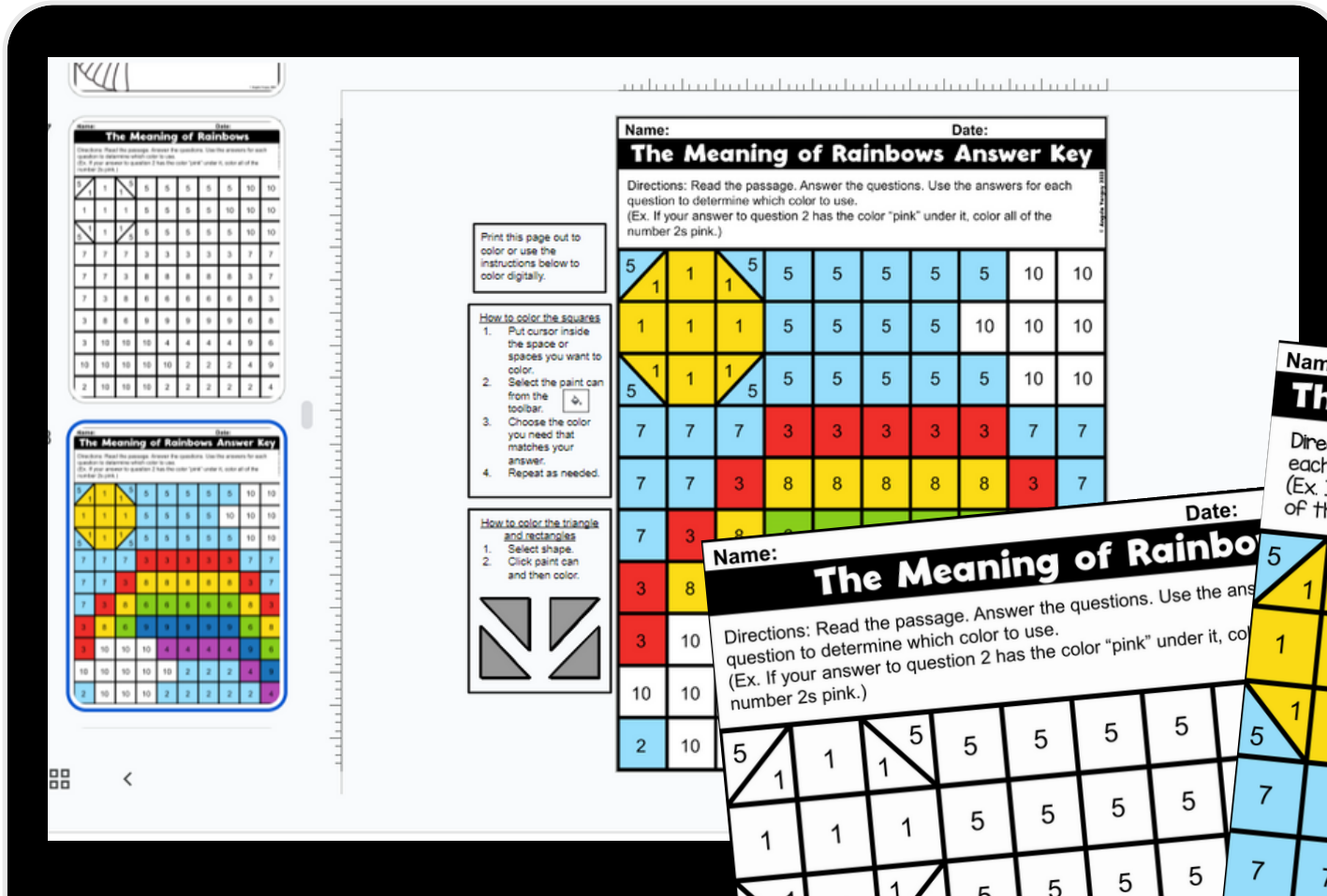
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Passage 1-Fiction

Paired Passages

Date: _____

Transformation

Waiting, hidden away,
It's dark, no sign of day.

Paired Passages

Metamorphosis in Butterflies

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After hatching, caterpillars begin eating the leaves on the plant where they were laid as eggs. They go through several skin molts as they grow larger and larger. Most caterpillars only remain in this stage for a few weeks, as they are very **vulnerable** to predators. However, some species may live as caterpillars for up to a year or more.

Following the caterpillar stage, the caterpillar builds a chrysalis around itself. In this stage, the butterfly is a pupa. This process of metamorphosis can take from several weeks to several months.

Finally, the butterfly emerges from the chrysalis as a fully formed adult. Within minutes to hours, the butterfly pumps blood from its abdomen into the wings, causing them to expand and then harden until the butterfly can fly away. During its short life as an adult, the butterfly's main task is to find a mate and **reproduce**. With this final act, the life cycle begins all over again.

Date: _____

Paired Passages

Name: _____

Date: _____

Transformation

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Paired Passages

Transformation

Waiting, hidden away,
It's dark, no sign of day.

Patient nature moves slow,
There's nowhere to be or go.

A bit of light enters the dark,
A bit of movement, excitement sparks!

First a small crack, then a hole appears.

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Paired Passages Writing Prompt

Name: _____

Date: _____

Based on your reading and your own thoughts, when might a butterfly/caterpillar be most vulnerable in its life? When might it be least vulnerable? Why? Use specific examples from the reading to support your answer.

Paired Passages

Directions: Read the passage. Then, answer the questions. When finished, use your answers here to help you color the mystery grid.

1st Read Questions

	A few hours to a day	Several days to a few weeks	Several weeks to several months
1	How long can the metamorphosis stage last?		

2nd Read Questions

6	Which word could replace metamorphosis in the passage while not changing the meaning of the sentence?	Solidification	Transformation
7	In the following excerpt from the passage, where does the crack/hole form? <i>First a small crack, then a hole appears. A head pokes out, the sunshine is near,</i>	Pupa	Host Plant
8	The passage talks about butterflies needing to reproduce . Using what you know about the prefix re- , which is the best meaning of the word reproduce? <i>Patient nature moves slow, There's nowhere to be or go.</i>	To make a copy or duplicate something	To produce babies, young animals, or new plants, etc.

Main Idea & Supporting Detail

Name: _____

Date: _____

Main Idea

Supporting Detail

Paired Passages Answer Key

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Passage 2-Nonfiction

The Meaning of Rainbows

For the Aboriginal people of Australia, the rainbow is a sort of god in itself. In their beliefs, the rainbow is a serpent god that ends rains that were sent by their enemies. The rainbow serpent is thought to be one of the oldest religious beliefs still held today. It was drawn in cave art that is 10,000 years old. For many, the rainbow serpent is also believed to be the god of creation. Others see the serpent only as a god of water.

The rainbow is not a symbol of hope or something good in all cultures. In fact, in some Amazonian cultures, rainbows are believed to cause skin conditions. For that reason, in central Peru, there is a disease called ayona'achartan which means "the rainbow hurt my skin." In Burma, some people believe that a rainbow is a child-eating demon. Understandably, in these cultures, people usually hide indoors when they see a rainbow instead of taking in the view.

The Meaning of Rainbows

Have you ever seen a rainbow shooting across the sky after a rainstorm? What do you think the display of colors meant? In many different cultures, rainbows have a special meaning. Some are even linked to mythology or long-told stories. The Irish, the Chinese, the Japanese, and the Aboriginal people of Australia are just a few of the peoples who have known stories about rainbows.



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The Meaning of Rainbows Writing Prompt

Of all the stories discussed in the passage, which two do you find most interesting? How are they similar or different? Use examples from the passage to support your answer.

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You have probably heard the age-old Irish legend about rainbows. According to the legend, at the end of the rainbow is a pot of gold, hidden there by the leprechaun. The leprechauns stole the gold from the Vikings and put it in a pot. However, this story about rainbows, while hopeful, in another way is quite hopeless. While there is a pot of gold, it is impossible to reach the end of a rainbow because the rainbow gets farther away the rainbow gets.

The Meaning of Rainbows

Directions: Read the passage. Then, answer the questions. When finished, use your answers here to help you color the mystery grid.

1st Read Questions

1	Which of the following is not related to one of the legends or traditions discussed in the passage?	Rainbows can hurt your skin	The rainbow serpent	A bridge between the worlds of the living and the dead
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The Meaning of Rainbows

2nd Read Questions

2	Which of the following is the best antonym for the word diverse as it is used in the passage?	Distinct
3	What does the word distinct mean?	RED
4	Which best states why that might be?	To give information on how some cultures view rainbows
5	Which of the following is the best antonym for the word diverse as it is used in the passage?	LIGHT BLUE
6	Which of the following is the best antonym for the word diverse as it is used in the passage?	Rainbows are too bright for their sensitive eyes.
7	What was the author's overall purpose in writing this passage?	RED
8	"Understandably, in these cultures, people usually hide indoors when they see a rainbow instead of taking in the view."	RED
9	Which best states why that might be?	RED
10	Which of the following is the best antonym for the word diverse as it is used in the passage?	RED

Compare & Contrast



The Meaning of Rainbows Answer Key

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Passage 3-Nonfiction


Jackie Robinson Name: _____ Date: _____

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However, it wasn't always easy being the only black man on his team. Due to laws at that time, Robinson was unable to stay with his white teammates in the same hotels or eat at the same restaurants. Many fans opposed integration on the field. Players from his own team sometimes acted against him because of the color of his skin.

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Directions: Read the passage. Then, answer the questions. When finished, use your answers here to help you color the mystery grid.

1st Read Questions

1	What was the organization that Jackie Robinson became a great speaker for called?	The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People	National Aeronautics and Space Administration	National Association for Hall of Fame Most Valuable Players
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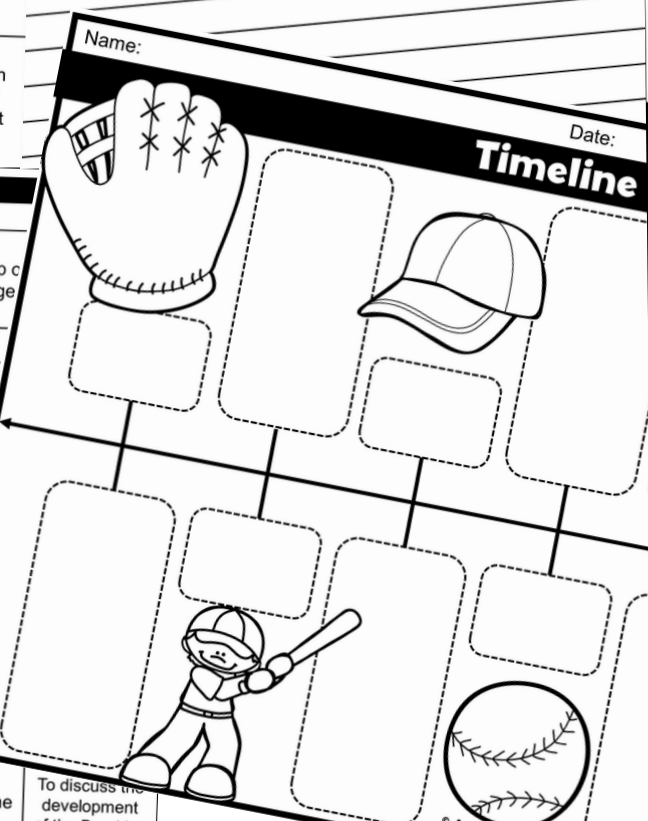
2nd Read Questions

2	Which of the things most mentioned in the passage?	To provide a verbal answer to	To build up confidence
3	Based on reading, what best defines the word "heckled"?	RED	WHITE
4	Why was Jackie Robinson famous?	Chronological Order	Cause and Effect
5	Which of the following best describes the author's purpose?	RED	LIGHT BLUE
6	The passage says that people heckled Robinson. What does the word heckled mean?	Best Athletes from UCLA	How the Dodgers won the Series
7	Which best states the type of text structure the passage is written in?	RED	WHITE
8	Which of the following could best serve as a new title for the passage?	To show understanding and appreciation for who Jackie Robinson was and what he did	To explain the history of integration
9	Which of the following best describes the author's purpose?	To discuss the development of the Brooklyn Dodgers	

Jackie Robinson Writing Prompt Name: _____ Date: _____

All of Jackie Robinson's life was an uphill battle to achieve his dreams. What were some of the challenges he faced? What could people have done to help Robinson achieve his goals? Support your answer with examples from the passage.

Timeline Name: _____ Date: _____



Jackie Robinson Answer Key Name: _____ Date: _____

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