

BEGINNING READING GRADE 3

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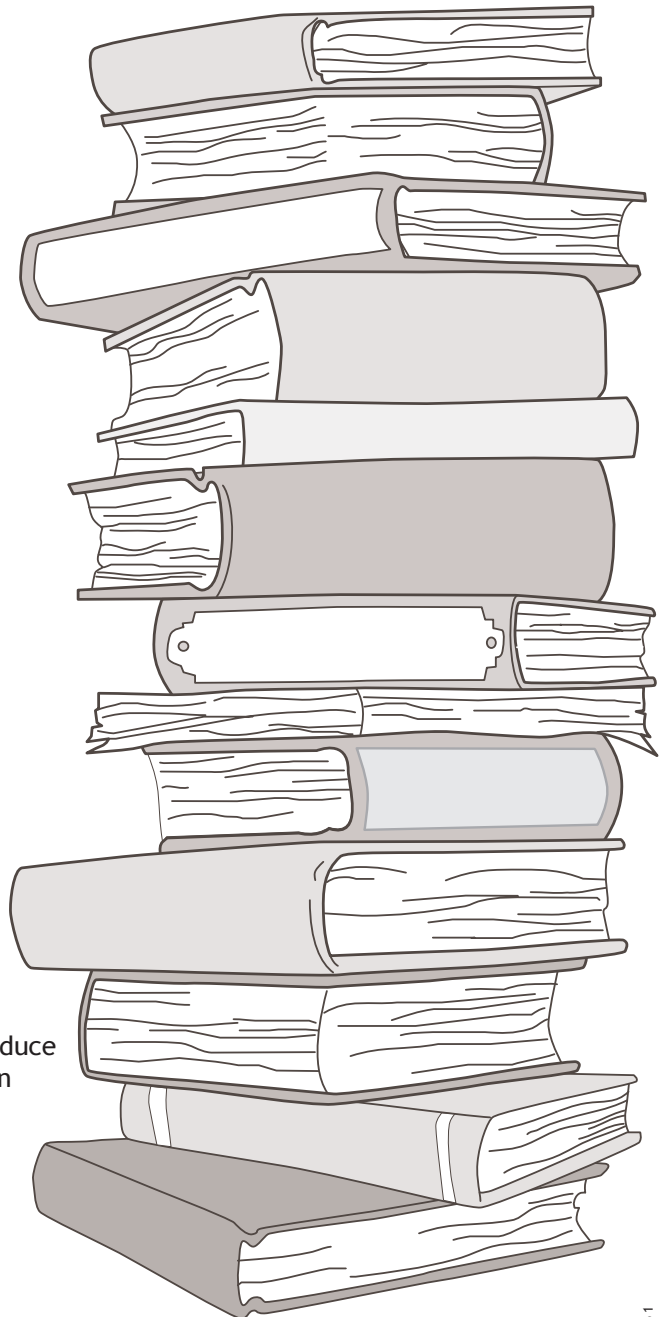


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INTRODUCTION

Students will gain confidence in their reading and comprehension abilities as they complete over forty reading activities in ***Beginning Reading 3***.

Each lesson page includes an appealing short story followed by questions to test comprehension. Besides questions relating directly to the story, additional questions designed to reinforce specific reading skills such as finding a fact, word analysis, vocabulary, and inference are included.

To add interest and effectiveness, each story is accompanied by a clever, corresponding illustration.

This book was designed for use in grade 3. Readability ranges from 3.0 to 3.9.

Read

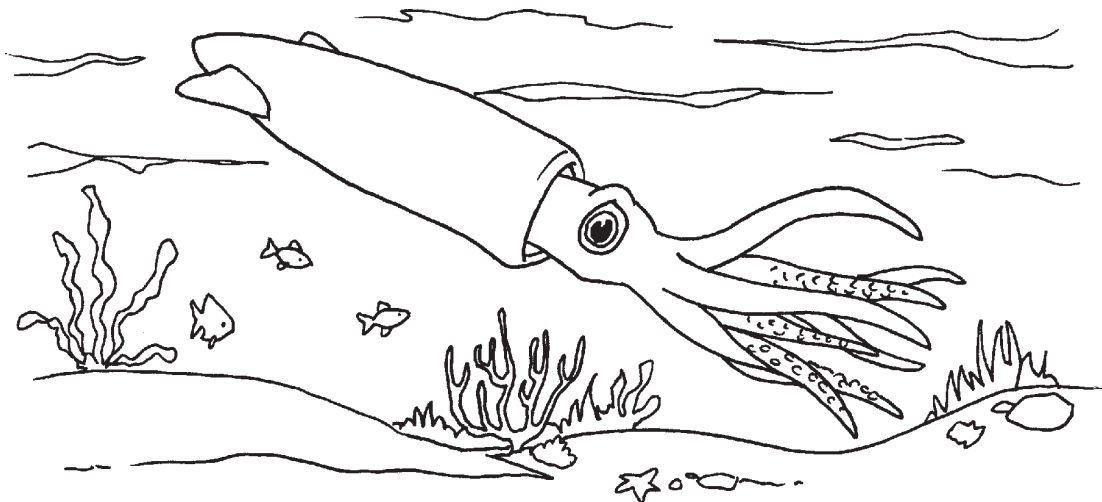
The giant squid is a huge sea animal. It has a big body and ten arms that can grow to 30 feet long. The arms are covered with suction cups. The squid uses the suction cups to grab fish to eat. Of all animals, the giant squid has the biggest eyes. Each eye measures 15 inches across. That's bigger than a basketball!

Write

1. Why is it called a giant squid? _____
2. The arms are covered with what? _____
3. Write three words from the story that mean "large." _____

4. Write the sentence that tells what has the biggest eyes in the world:

5. The size of the eyes is bigger than what? _____



Name _____

Read

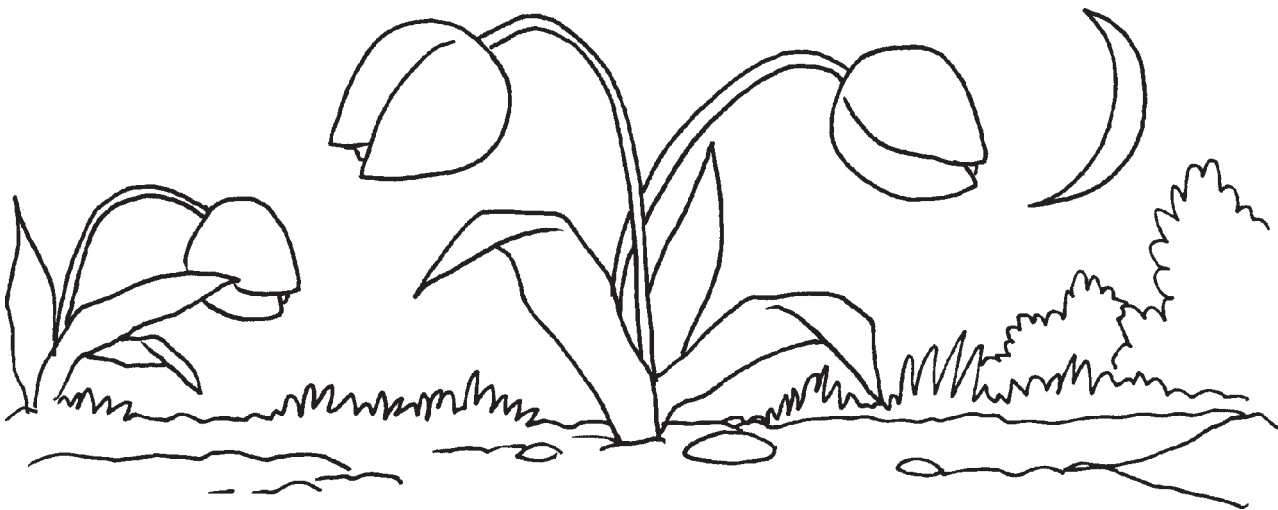
Some flowers close their petals at night. They look like they are sleeping. They do not close up because they are tired. It is because some flowers need sunshine to stay open. When it becomes dark, the petals lose some of their water. This causes them to shrink and close. In the morning sunlight, the petals again fill with water and open up.

Write

1. Why do some flowers look like they are sleeping? _____

2. What do some flowers need to stay open? _____
3. What causes the petals to shrink and close? _____
4. When might the flowers stay closed during the daytime? _____

5. Which letters are silent in the word "night"? _____



Read

Crocodiles eat rocks. It is not because they taste good. Crocodiles swallow rocks to help digest the food they eat. A crocodile does not chew its food. It swallows it whole. The big chunks are hard to grind up in the crocodile's stomach. When the stomach churns the food along with the rocks, it grinds up easier. The rocks do not harm the crocodile's body.

Write

1. Why do crocodiles swallow rocks? _____

2. How do the rocks help digest food? _____

3. Do you think a crocodile swallows big rocks or small rocks? _____
Why? _____
4. What word means "injure" or "hurt"? _____
5. What other animal looks much like a crocodile? _____

