

6th, 7th, & 8th Grade

Reading Comprehension

Track the Yeti Escape Room



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CHALLENGES

·Challenge #1: Read the passages and answer the questions to meet a red panda.

Challenge #2: Read the passages and answer the questions to meet a yak.

Challenge #3: Read the passages and answer the questions to meet a brown bear.

Challenge #4: Read the passages and answer the questions to meet a snow leopard.

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Students won't realize they are practicing Reading Comprehension skills! They will be immersed in the storytelling and our original videos as they complete reading comprehension challenges.

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4 Reading Challenges

1 **SOME LIKE IT COLD**

The Arctic is one of the world's coldest places, but that doesn't mean no one lives there. Animals make their homes in this harsh environment. The animals of the Arctic have adapted. This allows them to survive in the extreme cold and snow. Let's take a look at three animals and their permanent address.

Arctic Fox

The Arctic fox lives on the ice and land of the Arctic Circle, where winter involves extreme cold. They can be found in northern Asia, northern Europe, Greenland, Iceland, and Alaska. However, they are equipped to handle the frigid weather with a thick fur coat that can change color. This fur also has the fantastic ability to change colors. It shifts from brown to white in the winter. This helps them hide from predators such as wolves and eagles. Arctic foxes also wrap their long, fluffy tails around them to keep warm. This keeps them well hidden from predators. Additionally, if the Arctic fox is hunting, it can curl up to reduce heat loss with less surface area exposed to the cold. Arctic foxes also help reduce heat loss with less surface area exposed to the cold.

Food is pretty scarce in the Arctic, but the Arctic fox is an omnivore. This means it will eat whatever it can find. Everything from small lemmings, their snack of choice, to insects, berries, and other animals' leftovers. They've been known to follow polar bears around to dine on what the bears leave behind. Arctic foxes are also known to be good at hiding away from predators. Because they are so good at hiding, it can be difficult to find them. Arctic foxes can live up to two years in the wild. They have a very low metabolism, which means they don't have to eat as often as other animals. Arctic foxes generally have to eat very little.

CHALLENGE 1

- Read the passages and answer the questions.
- Use your answers to meet a red panda.
- Take a photo of the red panda after the challenge for your brochure.

RED PANDA



DO NOT GO TO THE RED PANDA UNTIL YOU'VE ANSWERED ALL THE QUESTIONS ON YOUR BROCHURE.

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Enter your answers in the Yowling Yeti's Decoder to see if you are ready to meet a red panda.

1. What is the central idea of this passage?

- No animals live in the cold conditions of the Arctic.
- Very few animals have special adaptations for cold weather.
- Various animals make the frigid Arctic their home.
- Animals of the Arctic live in the wild for many years.

2. Which quote below supports the idea that white fur benefits the Arctic fox?

- "This keeps them well hidden from predators."
- "The animals of the Arctic have adapted to conditions there."
- "This fur also has the amazing ability to change colors."
- "Short, rounded ears on Arctic foxes also help reduce heat loss..."

3. What does **diurnal** mean?

- active during the night
- active during the winter
- active in cold temperatures
- active during the day

4. How do snowy owls use their feathers to survive in the Arctic?

- Their feathers are white to help them blend in with the snow.
- Their feathers are long to help them fly.
- Their feathers are soft to help them stay warm.
- Their feathers are short to help them stay cool.

5. How are Beluga whales different from the other two Arctic animals discussed in this passage?

- They are very social creatures.
- They turn white as the weather gets colder.
- They eat meat.
- They live longer.

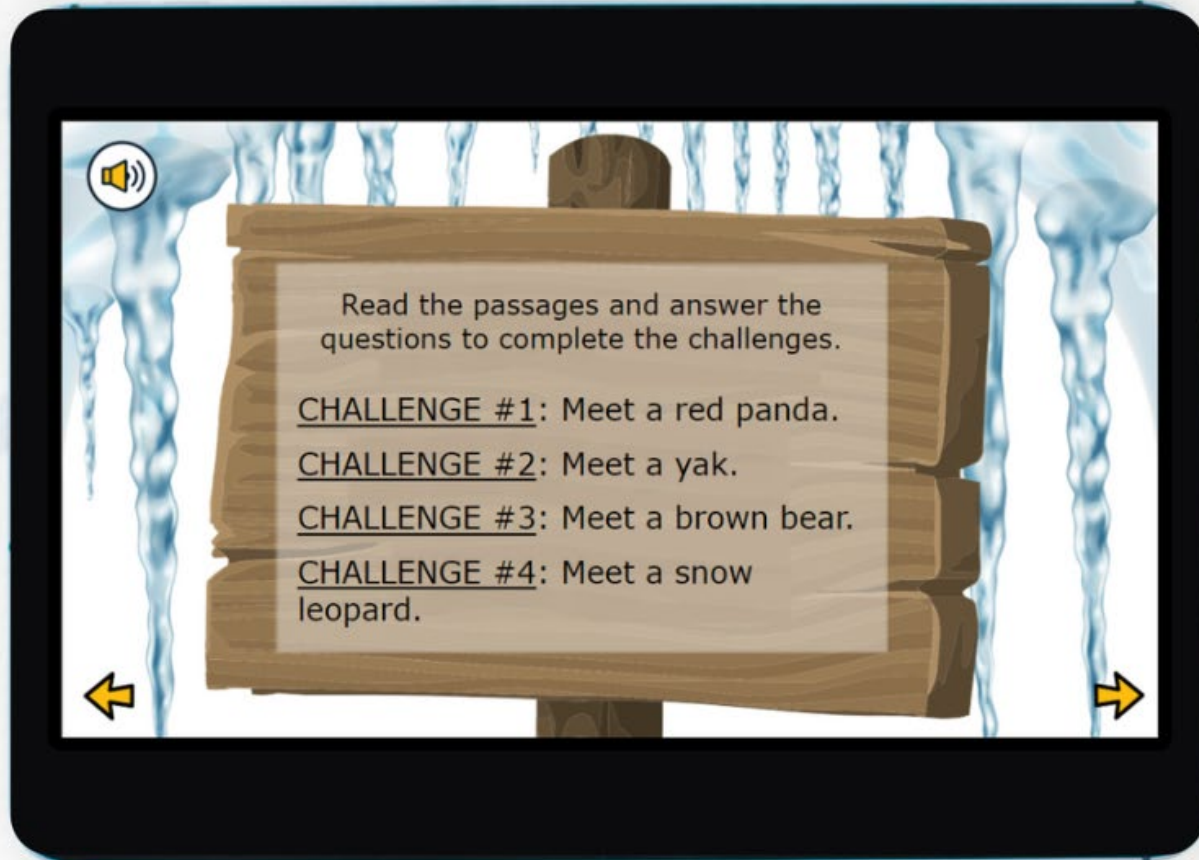
6. What text structure is used in the passage?

- description
- cause and effect
- compare and contrast
- problem and solution

- Challenges focused on Reading Comprehension
- Each challenge takes about 20-30 minutes
- 2 nonfiction passages & 2 fiction passages
- Multiple choice questions
- Passages in 6th-8th Grade Text Complexity band (925L-1185L)
- Passages and questions are scaffolded

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- Themed videos integrated throughout the Escape Room to keep students engaged.
- Students work in groups, partners, or independently.

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ICE CLIMBING



Winter weather brings a variety of opportunities to engage in entertaining adventures. Skiing, snowboarding, skating, and sledding are some of the usual sports enjoyed when the temperatures dip. There are also more unique chances to spend time outdoors, get exercise, and test just how brave you are. Ice climbing is one such winter activity.

What is Ice Climbing?

If you've ever looked at a frozen waterfall and thought, "I'd like to climb that," then ice climbing is for you. This challenging outdoor activity dares participants to ascend ice formations such as frozen waterfalls, glaciers, ice-covered cliffs, and other frosty surfaces. It has some of the same principles as rock climbing. Your arms and legs are used to climb the ice. You don't, however, use natural hand and foot holds like you do in rock climbing. Instead, you make those hand and foot holds with specialized tools for the sport. Using four points of contact, climbers make their way up the sheet of ice. Ideally, climbers should keep three points of contact with the ice surface while they search for a suitable fourth point and advance higher. Ice climbing can be done solo, in pairs, or in groups.

Where Can You Ice Climb?

Ice climbing is offered in Austria, Svinafellsjökull in Colorado, USA are some of the best places to go. These grades indicate the suitability for those just starting out. Rests are placed because it is dangerous to begin in the sport.

1.



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What is the author's purpose in writing this passage?

- to compare ice climbing to other winter sports
- to inform readers about the winter sport of ice climbing
- to persuade readers to believe ice climbing is a dangerous activity
- to entertain readers with a story about ice climbing



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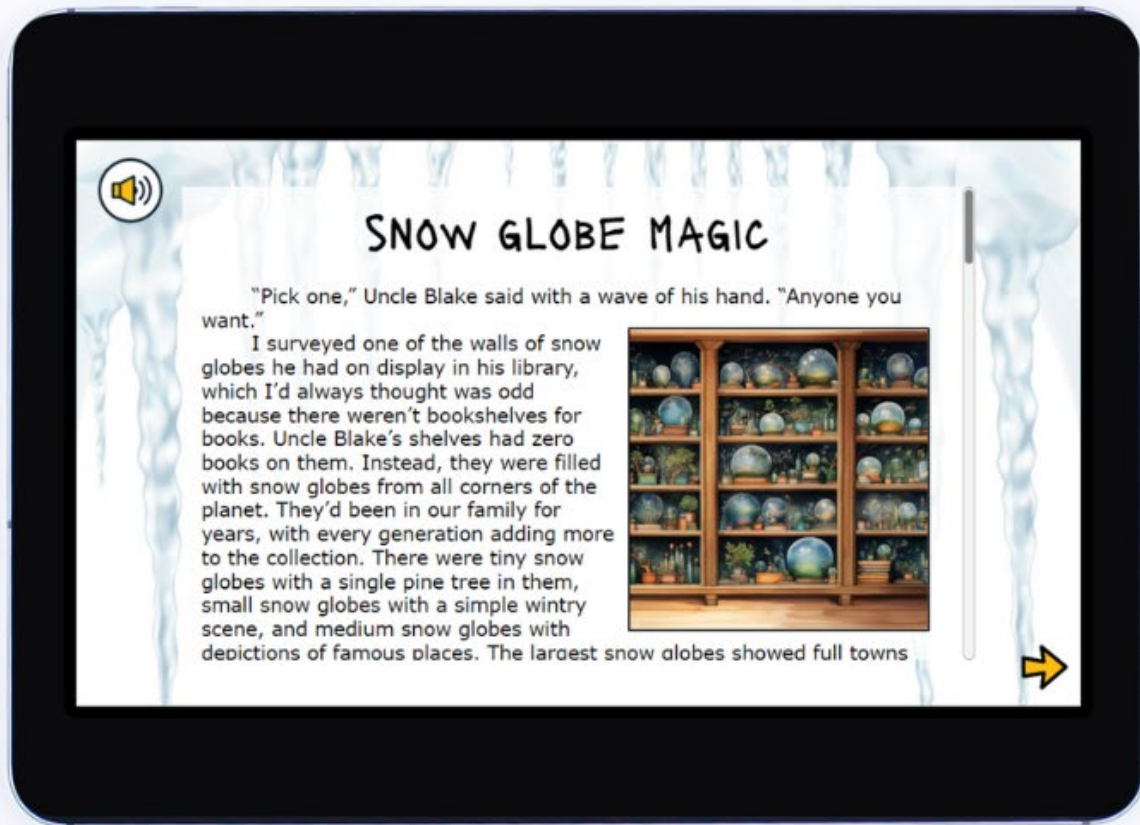


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