

Name _____

- Read the paragraph. Then follow the directions and answer the questions below.

Did you know that rabbits eat only plants? This type of animal is called a herbivore. Animals that are carnivores, like tigers, eat only meat. Some animals, like bears, eat both plants and meat. They are called omnivores. An animal can be a herbivore, carnivore, or omnivore depending on what it eats.

1. Write the main idea. _____

2. Draw a box around each of the supporting details.
3. Write the main idea in a different way so that you could put it at the beginning of the paragraph. _____

**School-Home Connection**

Have the student tell you in his or her own words what the paragraph is about. Explain to the student that this is the main idea.

Name _____

- Find ten spelling words in the Word Search puzzle that have the vowel sound /ou/ and /oi/. The words go across or down. Circle the words and write a sentence for each one.

Word Search

C	H	L	O	U	D	T	A	N	N	O	Y
R	W	N	D	G	W	O	O	C	Y	F	L
O	Q	K	H	O	U	S	E	Z	T	O	C
U	G	R	O	W	L	X	R	U	Q	I	O
N	P	C	M	N	O	Y	X	L	X	L	I
D	C	L	O	W	N	O	S	P	O	I	L

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____



School-Home Connection

On a sheet of paper, work with the student to write five more words with the sound /ou/ as in *mouse*.

Name _____

► **Part A Write the Vocabulary Word from the Word Bank that matches each idea.**

communicate
signal

flick
chatter

alert
grooms



1. _____ to make neat and clean
2. _____ to tell a person or animal something
3. _____ to warn someone
4. _____ to make noises over and over
5. _____ a movement that has a meaning
6. _____ to snap something quickly

► **Part B Use what you know about the Vocabulary Words to answer each question. Answer in complete sentences.**

7. If you **alert** someone, are you smiling at the person or warning the person? _____
8. If you **flick** a towel, does the towel move quickly or slowly?

9. If a person **grooms** his dog, is he brushing it or feeding it?

10. If you **chatter** with a friend, are you speaking quickly or whispering?

11. When you give someone a **signal**, what are you doing?

12. Do you **communicate** by yourself or with other people?

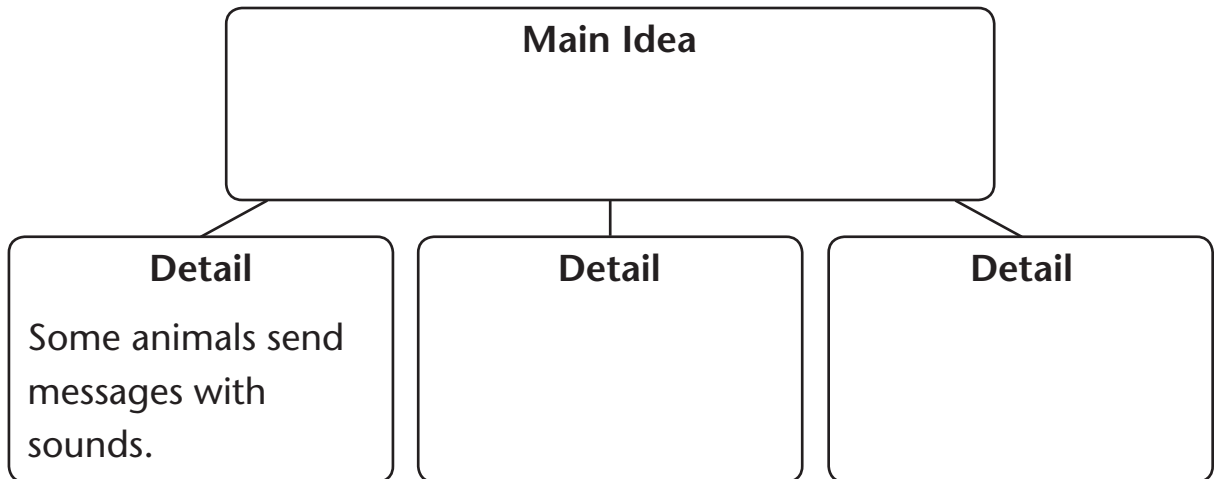


School-Home Connection

Have the student act out the words *alert* and *chatter*. Then use your hands to send a *signal* to him or her. Have the student guess what the signal means.

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- ▶ As you read "How Animals Talk," fill in the graphic organizer with important details from the selection. Then write the most important idea from the selection.



1. What is the main idea of the selection?

2. What are three of the most important details?

3. On a separate sheet of paper, summarize the selection. Use the graphic organizer to help you.

Name _____

▶ Read the encyclopedia entry. Use the information to answer the questions.

Oak. Tree found in areas with four seasons. There are 450 different kinds of oaks. They grow in many areas, from sea coasts to mountains. Oaks are known by their fruit, called the acorn. Most oaks are slow-growing. They are an important source of wood. Oak wood is used to make furniture and floors.



1. How many kinds of oak trees are there?

2. What is oak wood used to make?

3. What is an acorn?

4. What are two of the areas in which oaks grow?

5. Where are oak trees found?



School-Home Connection

Help the student write a poem about oak trees and acorns. Then read it aloud together.

Name _____

► Unscramble the words. Each word includes the letter pattern *ou*, *ow*, *oi*, or *oy*. Then use each word in a sentence.

1. wodn → _____

2. liob → _____

3. tipon → _____

4. yots → _____

5. lowh → _____

6. hotum → _____

7. dolu → _____

8. rewot → _____

**School-Home Connection**

Write the letters *thuso* on a sheet of paper. Have the student unscramble them to form a word that uses one of the letter patterns above.

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▶ Write the full word for each abbreviation.

1. FL _____

2. Tues. _____

3. Dr. _____

4. St. _____

5. Apr. _____

▶ Find the words in each sentence that have abbreviations. Write the abbreviations.

6. Mister Ward's party is on Sunday, November 5.

7. Send the letter to Doctor Johnson at 5 Mesa Street, El Paso, Texas.

8. In September, Mistress Torres's class goes to the animal shelter on River Avenue.

9. Tennessee and Missouri are next to Kentucky.

10. Mistress Brecht spoke at the school on Barstow Road on Friday.

**School-Home Connection**

Have your child write his or her Name, Address, Birthday, and Teacher's name. Point out places where abbreviations can be used.