

# READING EXIT TICKETS



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b. Where sharks live  
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d. The difference between hammerhead and great white sharks
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## 4th Grade



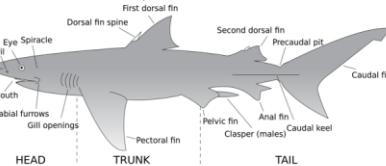
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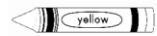
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## Fiction Words and Phrases

My brother Max came home yesterday and told us he had a surprise for all of us. He asked us to close our eyes. He said that this surprise he had for us was from very, very long ago, or prehistoric times.

When we opened our eyes, standing right in front of us was a fierce-looking Stegosaurus. Yes, that's right, I said a Stegosaurus. We were so shocked; you could have knocked us down with a feather.

"Meet Sprinkles, our new dinosaur pet!" he exclaimed. "Don't worry, no people eating will happen here. Sprinkles is an herbivore. Only plants in this girl's diet," he explained when he saw the fear in our faces.

"But, where will she sleep? She's nine feet tall, and she has to weigh close to 7,000 pounds." asked my mom.

As much as I would love to have a dinosaur for a pet, I'm not sure that my parents are going to let Max keep Sprinkles - at least not inside the house.

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1. What does the phrase "knocked us down with a feather" mean?

- a. Surprised
- b. Angered
- c. Excited
- d. Lonely



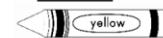
2. What does the word prehistoric mean?

- a. In the future
- b. Surprised
- c. Long ago
- d. Dinosaur



2. What words best help you understand what herbivore means?

- a. "Only plants in this girl's diet."
- b. "Don't worry!"
- c. "She has to weigh close to 7,000 pounds."
- d. "fear in our faces."



## Nonfiction Main Idea

What's for dinner? How about grilled scorpion kabobs followed by barbecued beetle and roasted tarantulas? For a tasty treat, you might have some chocolate-covered ants. This may sound strange, but in many parts of the world, people love to scarf down insects and arachnids, such as spiders, scorpions, and even ticks.

Insects are an excellent source of protein. Many of these insects and arachnids have many vitamins and minerals and can be a big part of a healthy meal.

From crunchy crickets to munchy mealworms, for many around the world, insects and arachnids are what's for dinner!

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1. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?

- a. Insects and arachnids are nutritious.
- b. Insects and arachnids are flavorful and tasty.
- c. Eating tarantulas and other spiders is a safe practice.
- d. There are many ways to prepare insects to eat.



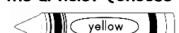
2. What is the main idea of the entire text?

- a. Many insects are becoming endangered because they are being hunted and eaten.
- b. Preparing insects to eat is fun and easy.
- c. There are insects you can eat.
- d. People around the world enjoy different cuisine.



3. Which details support the main idea of the article? (Choose all that apply.)

- a. "Insects are an excellent source of protein."
- b. "Many of these insects and arachnids have many vitamins and minerals."
- c. "What's for dinner?"
- d. "First, gather your insects and other ingredients."



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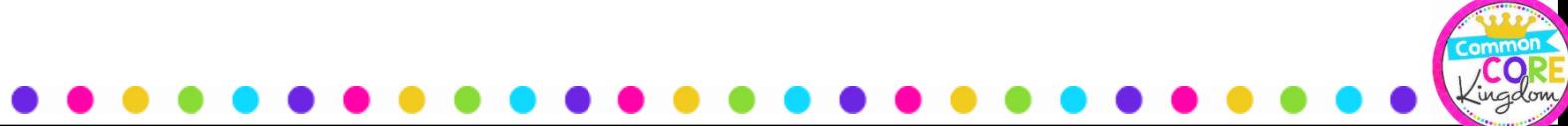
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## Literature

Common Core Standard	Skill	Passage #1	Passage #2
RL.4.1	Supporting Details	Halloween Dare	Landon's Lemonade
RL.4.2	Theme	A Birthday Gift	A Passion for Painting
RL.4.3	Describe Characters	The Mystery Door	A Mermaid Surprise
RL.4.4	Words & Phrases	Sprinkles the Dinosaur	The Wizard's Mistake
RL.4.5	Literature Structure	The Snowflake Adventures	The Unicorn Sighting
RL.4.6	Point of View	Love for the Game	The Walk
RL.4.7	Illustrations	The Smiling Girl	The Book Discovery
RL.4.9	Compare & Contrast	The Best Kind of Win	Magicbury Quest

## Informational

Common Core Standard	Skill	Passage #1	Passage #2
RI.4.1	Using Details	A Dog's Sense of Smell	Funny Bone
RI.4.2	Main Idea & Details	Bugs to Eat	The World's Most Popular Sport
RI.4.3	Using Details to Explain	Amelia Earhart	Chameleon's Color
RI.4.4	Context Clues	Walking Fish	Deadliest Animal
RI.4.5	Text Structure	The Invention of the Trampoline	The Invention of the Braille Alphabet
RI.4.6	Compare & Contrast	Asteroids vs. Comets	Llamas & Alpacas
RI.4.7	Interpret Information	Moon Phases	Sharks' Bodies
RI.4.8	Reasons Support Points	Talented Seals	The Red Tails
RI.4.9	Integrate Information	A Dangerous Landslide	A Hidden Hero



# HOW TO USE EXIT TICKETS

I love using exit tickets for assessment because they are:

- Short and quick to have students complete
- Easy to grade and give you valuable data

I like to use exit tickets toward the end of the teaching unit for each standard. Toward the end of the unit, give each student one exit ticket, and allow him or her to read and answer the corresponding questions. Collect the exit tickets, assess, and use the data to determine if your students need reteaching, more practice, or are ready for a larger assessment and the next unit.

There are two exit tickets for each skill. This gives you the opportunity to assess twice if you address a standard more than once.

If you have a more advanced class, you can give the exit ticket as a pre-assessment, as well. This can help you determine if students need explicit instruction in a particular skill or not. If the majority of your students do not need explicit instruction, you can teach those who do using small groups.





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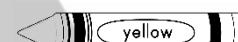
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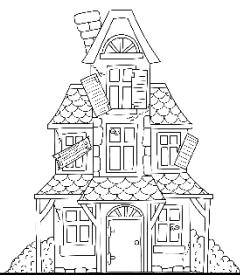


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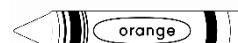
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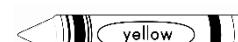
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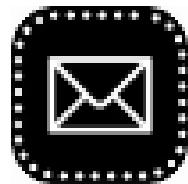
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