How Do Spiders Spin Webs?: answers

Year 3 · 11 marks. Accept any sensible answer that is backed up by the text.

1. Spinnerets. (1 mark)

Finding information (2b). A key word that is stated in the first section.

2. A thread. (1 mark)

Finding information (2b). Finding a small detail in the right section.

3. rushes (1 mark)

Word meaning (2a). Matching a word to its meaning, using the section heading to find the right place.

4. 1. The spider lets a thread float on the wind. 2. The spider builds a frame and spokes. 3. The spider spins a sticky spiral. 4. A fly gets stuck in the web. (2 marks)

Sequencing events. Sequencing shows the child has followed the whole process, not just single facts.

5. The spokes are not sticky. (1 mark)

Explaining from the text. The child links a fact to the reason for it.

6. The web shakes and the spider feels it through its legs. (1 mark)

Explaining from the text. A cause and effect that is stated in the last section, put in the child's own words.

7. To stop it escaping, or to keep it to eat later (any sensible reason). (2 marks)

Inference (2d). The text says what the spider does but not why, so the child has to work it out.

8. One mark for building a web and one for catching a fly in it, for example: A spider spins a sticky web, and when a fly gets stuck, the spider feels it shake and wraps the fly up. (2 marks)

Summarising (2c). Summing up a process in one sentence is a key reading skill.

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