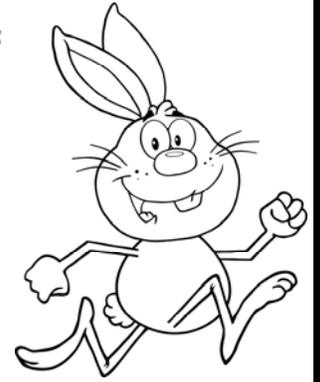


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Find the Meaning of New Words

The White Rabbit



DIRECTIONS: The passage below is from *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll. Read. Then use context to answer the questions.

Alice was beginning to get very tired of sitting by her sister on the bank, and of having nothing to do. Once or twice she had peeped into the book her sister was reading, but it had no pictures or conversations in it, "and what is the use of a book," thought Alice, "without pictures or conversations?"

So she was considering in her own mind (as well as she could, for the day made her feel very sleepy and stupid), whether the pleasure of making a daisy-chain would be worth the trouble of getting up and picking the daisies, when suddenly a White Rabbit with pink eyes ran close by her.

There was nothing so very remarkable in that, nor did Alice think it so very much out of the way to hear the Rabbit say to itself, "Oh dear! Oh dear! I shall be too late!" But when the Rabbit actually took a watch out of its waistcoat-pocket and looked at it and then hurried on, Alice started to her feet, for it flashed across her mind that she had never before seen a rabbit with either a waistcoat-pocket, or a watch to take out of it, and, burning with curiosity, she ran across the field after it and was just in time to see it pop down a large rabbit-hole, under the hedge. In another moment, down went Alice after it!

1. Which word is a synonym for *peeped*?

- a. went
- b. squeaked
- c. looked

2. What is a synonym for *conversation*?

- a. change
- b. talking
- c. shoes

3. When Alice is *considering* she is:

- a. talking
- b. thinking
- c. exploring

4. If something is *remarkable*, it is:

- a. frightening
- b. followed as a clue
- c. worth noticing

5. What does *curiosity* mean in this passage?

- a. a strange or unusual object
- b. a strong desire to know something
- c. a fever

6. What is a *hedge*?

- a. a bush
- b. a tree
- c. a fence