

DECEMBER

COMPREHENSION

Paired Passages

Reindeer



are a species of deer. In North America, they are called caribou.

Reindeer have very distinct looks. Reindeer are covered in brown, white, and grey. They also have huge antlers on the top of their heads. Antlers grow on both male and female reindeer. Male antlers can grow up to five feet tall and seven feet wide. Female antlers can give them an extra couple of inches. Reindeer have fur on the bottom of their hooves. This helps them grip the snow and ice.

plants and ground. Some reindeer migrate up to two miles a day. In the winter, they migrate to the south. In the summer, they migrate to the north. In the fall, they migrate to the west. In the spring, they migrate to the east. In the summer, they migrate to the south. In the winter, they migrate to the north. In the fall, they migrate to the west. In the spring, they migrate to the east.

Name _____

Nonfiction Questions



1. What type of animal is a reindeer?

2. Explain the type of diet a reindeer has.

3. Describe a reindeer's body.

Name _____

Facts About Reindeer



Reindeer Tryouts



Santa's annual tryouts are coming soon. He comes around to our tundra every year looking for a reindeer. He wants a reindeer for back-up. He already has nine reindeer that pull his sleigh, but he always searches for one more just in case one of them get sick. I am finally old enough this year to compete in Santa's tryouts. My family is helping me prepare.

Every morning, I wake up and practice flying into the air at a fast speed. It isn't easy. I have to run for exactly five seconds, pulling a heavy sled behind me. Then, I have to fly off into the air at the right time. If I'm too late, I'll be disqualified on the day of the tryouts. This is definitely the most difficult task.

After I practice taking off, I practice landing. This is a very important part of the tryouts because Santa is looking for the quietest reindeer landing. We have to practice flying down from the sky and landing our hooves on a roof. This is usually pretty easy, but Santa expects it to be done silently. If we make any noise on the roof, we are disqualified.

Overall, I think I will do a pretty good job at the tryouts. When I practice with my family, I am getting faster, quieter, and stronger. I think I would make a great addition to Santa's nine reindeer.

Name _____

Fiction Questions



1. Why does Santa have tryouts every year?

2. What will be the most difficult task for this reindeer?

3. Identify two character traits that this reindeer has.

4. What two events will Santa have at his tryouts?

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EXAMPLES

Nonfiction Story, Questions, and Writing Piece

Fiction Story, Questions, and Writing Piece

Comparison Questions and Venn Diagram

Reindeer
Reindeer are mammals that live in the Arctic, tundra and other cold regions of the world. Baby reindeer are called fawns and stay close with their mothers and herd, which is a group of reindeer. They migrate south in the winter. These animals are a species of deer. In North America, the bodies of reindeer are covered in velvet.

Nonfiction Questions
What type of animal is a reindeer?
How many types of deer does a reindeer have?

Facts About Reindeer

Reindeer

Reindeer Tryouts
Santa's annual tryouts are coming soon. He comes around to our town every year looking for a reindeer. For backup, he already has nine reindeer that pull his sleigh. But in the past, he has had to fly off into the night with only one reindeer. He will be disqualified on the day of the tryouts. He will be disqualified on the day of the tryouts. He will be disqualified on the day of the tryouts.

Fiction Questions
Why does Santa have tryouts every year?
What will be the most difficult task for the reindeer?

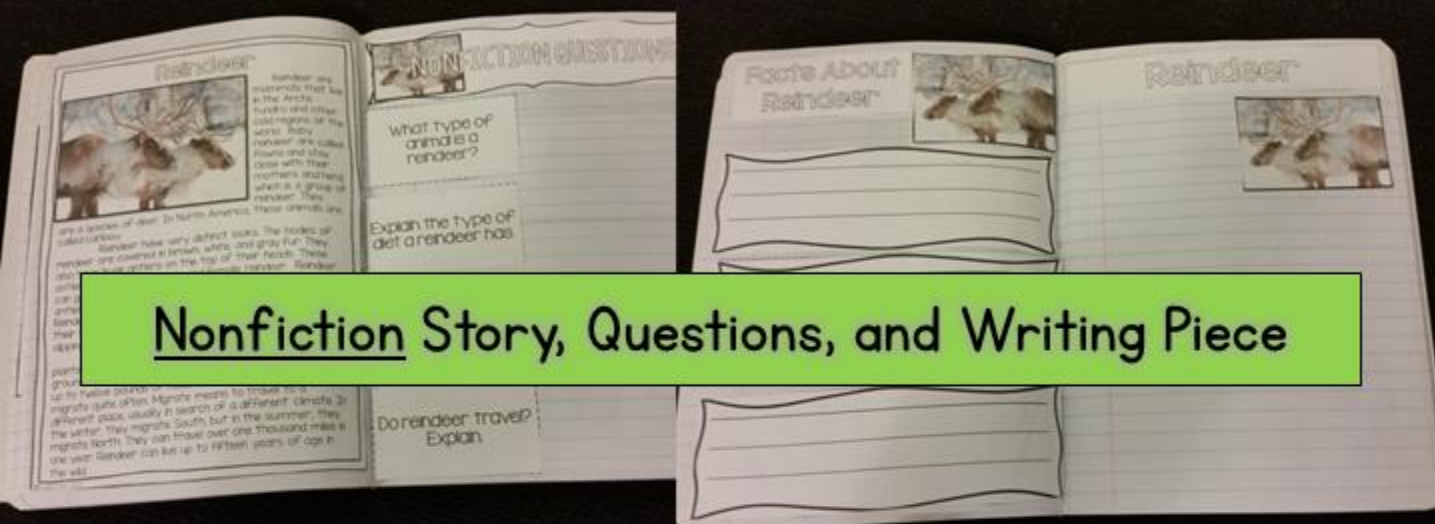
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What is the problem and solution?

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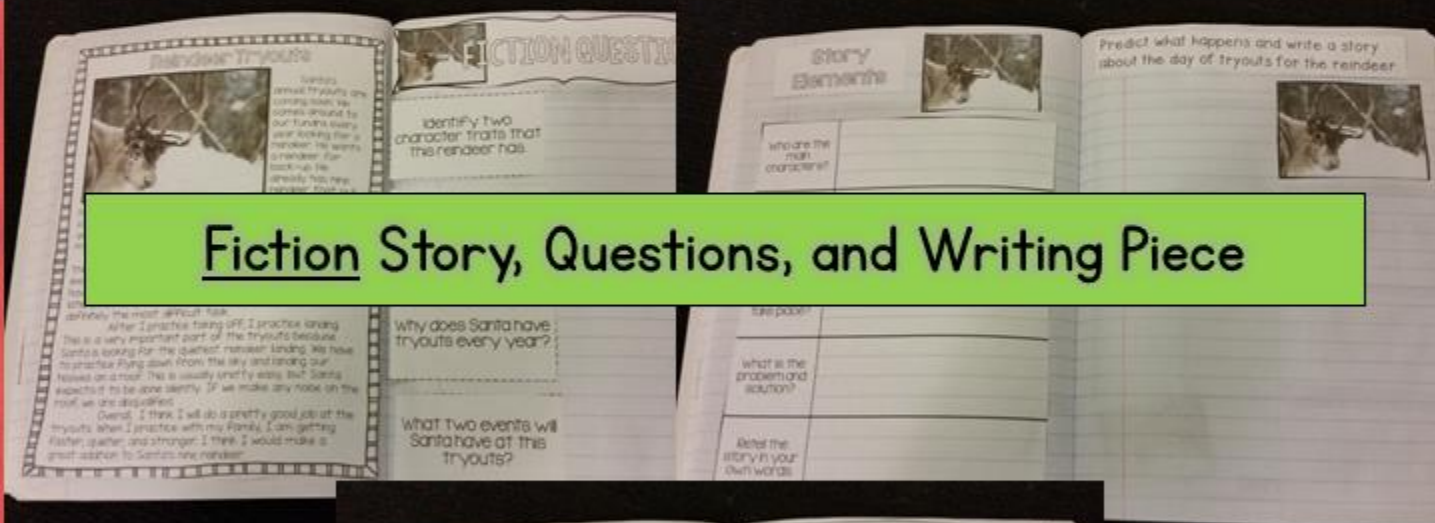
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Reindeer
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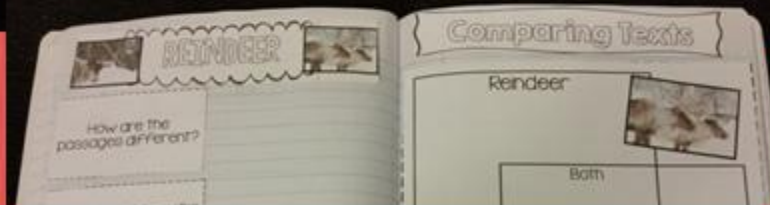
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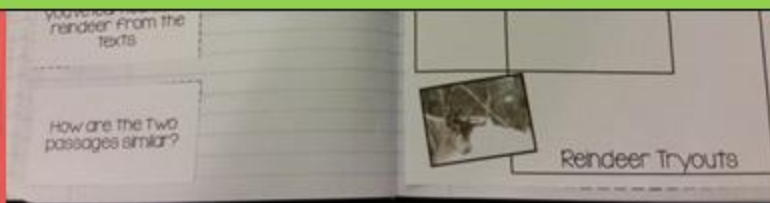
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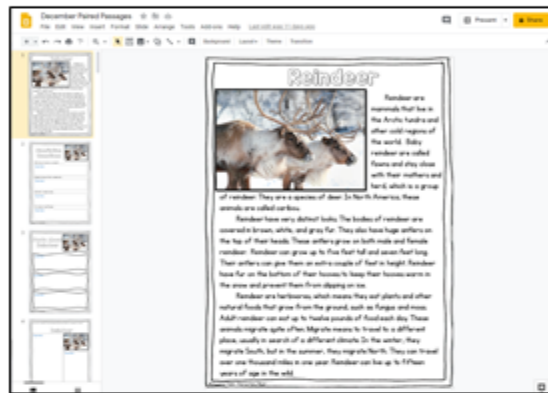
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