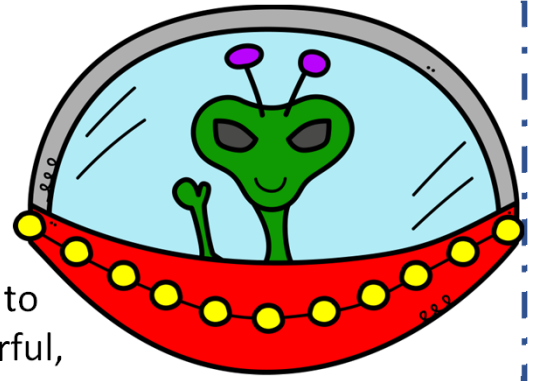


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Pleg's Travels



Pleg was not like any other creature in the galaxy. He was an alien with a curious mind and a heart made for adventure. One day, he decided to visit different planets to discover their secrets. His spaceship was small but powerful, and it could travel faster than the speed of light.

His first stop was a planet called Zorblat. It was covered in purple forests and had rivers that flowed with liquid crystals. Pleg met the Zorblats, friendly creatures with six eyes and three tails. They showed him how to make music with the crystals, and Pleg learned that music could heal any wound.

Next, Pleg visited a planet named Gliese. It was a desert world with towering sand dunes and scorching suns. The Gliesians were wise beings who lived underground to escape the heat. They taught Pleg about the stars and how to navigate using them.

Pleg's third adventure took him to a planet called Aquaria. It was an ocean planet with deep blue waters and colorful coral reefs. The Aquarians were mer-like creatures who could breathe underwater. They showed Pleg how to swim like them and taught him about the importance of protecting their home.

On his final stop, Pleg visited a planet called Terra. It was very similar to Earth, with green fields and clear skies. The Terrans were humans who welcomed Pleg with open arms. They shared stories of their history and showed him their technology.

Pleg returned home with a heart full of memories and a mind full of knowledge. He realized that every planet had something unique to offer, and every creature had something valuable to teach. Pleg's adventures had shown him that the universe was full of wonders waiting to be discovered.

Pleg knew that for his journey, he would have to go through the stars as he was eager to learn more about the vast and mysterious universe.

1. *Read the reading passage thoroughly.*
2. *Underline any word or sentence you don't understand.*

Answer according to the reading passage:

1. Who is Pleg?

- a. earthlet
- b. martian
- c. alien

2. What color were the forests on the planet Zorblat?

- a. red
- b. purple
- c. orange

3. What did Pleg learn from the Glesians?

- a. how to swim like them
- b. about their history
- c. how to navigate using the stars

4. What was Pleg's final stop?

- a. Terra
- b. the stars
- c. Gliese

5. Where did Pleg want to go on his next journey:

- a. the next galaxy
- b. stars
- c. Earth

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Open Response Questions

Open response questions for thinking skills:

1. Inferring
2. Making Connections
3. Summarizing
4. Visualizing

1. Based on Pleg's experiences, what can you infer about his character traits and the type of person he is?
 2. Write about the importance of respecting and learning from different cultures as shown by Pleg's visits?
 3. What can you learn from this reading passage?
 4. Based on what you read, describe Pleg and the spaceship.
- Write about what could happen when Pleg took his next journey to the stars?
 - If you could continue the story, what would the next adventure be?
 - Could this passage be fiction or non fiction? Explain.
 - Do you think there is such a thing as aliens? Why or why not?
 - Imagine you're an alien like Pleg, what problems might you encounter while traveling through space and how would you resolve them?