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Drake's Favorite Hobby

Drake was an inquisitive boy with an insatiable appetite for puzzles. He was always looking for new puzzles to solve, and was never satisfied until he had found the solution. Growing up, his parents encouraged him to use his natural curiosity and embrace his enthusiasm for puzzles. They bought him every jigsaw puzzle, crossword, and brainteaser they could find. Drake quickly became an expert at solving puzzles. He was the first in his family to complete a 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle, and his parents proudly displayed it in the living room. Blake's skill in puzzle-solving soon became legendary in his small town. Friends and neighbors would come to his house with their own brainteasers, asking him to solve them. When Drake turned eleven, his parents decided to reward him with a special gift: a subscription to monthly online puzzles. Drake couldn't believe his luck! Every month, he eagerly awaited the new puzzle releases online and devoured the puzzles inside. He quickly gained a reputation among his peers as the "puzzle master." Drake loved the challenge of solving puzzles and the satisfaction it gave him. Even when he couldn't come up with the solution, he never gave up, he persevered. Eventually, his passion for puzzles led him to a career in software engineering. He was able to use his problem-solving skills to create computer programs and applications that solved puzzles faster than any human. Drake's love for puzzles will always remain with him. To this day, he still enjoys solving puzzles as a hobby. Whenever he encounters a difficult challenge, he faces it with the same enthusiasm as when he was a child.



1. Read the passage about "Drake's Favorite Hobby"
2. Underline any word or sentence you don't understand.

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Answer according to the reading passage:

1. **What kind of appetite for puzzles did Drake have?**
 - a. enthusiastic
 - b. insatiable
 - c. inquisitive

2. **Who encouraged Drake to embrace his enthusiasm for puzzles?**
 - a. his teachers
 - b. his friends
 - c. his parents

3. **Drake was the first in his family to complete this:**
 - a. 1000 piece jigsaw puzzle
 - b. 500 piece jigsaw puzzle
 - c. 10,000 piece jigsaw puzzle

4. **What reputation did Drake have?**
 - a. puzzle guru
 - b. puzzle master
 - c. puzzle champion

5. **What did Drake become when he grew up?**
 - a. software engineer
 - b. puzzle book author
 - c. math teacher

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Open Response Questions

Open response questions for thinking skills:

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

- 1. Why do you think Drake enjoyed doing puzzles so much?**
- 2. Do you feel like Drake when you do puzzles? Explain.**
- 3. In 3 sentences, summarize Drake's Favorite Hobby**
- 4. What comes across your mind and what do you visualize as you are reading this passage?**

- 5. What do you think the benefits are for solving puzzles?**
- 6. What type of puzzles do you like and why?**
- 7. Why do so many people give in when doing a puzzle instead of trying to solve it?**
- 8. How many types of puzzles can you think of?**
- 9. Based on reading the passage, write in your own words what having an insatiable appetite means.**
- 10. What might you have an insatiable appetite for?**