



*Nonfiction Reading Builder*



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# An Amazing Insect

Track 3

Think

What is your favorite bug?

Track 2

## Key Words



amazing



cockroach



insect



monster





## Key Structures

- without food
- without air
- without its head

It doesn't need food.

It can live without food for months.

It doesn't need air.

It can live without air for 40 minutes.

It doesn't even need a head!

It can live without its head for 3 weeks.

Is this a monster?

No, this is just an insect.

The amazing cockroach.

### ✓ Check It

Circle three things a cockroach doesn't need.

## Read and Answer

Choose the best answer.

1 This reading is about .....

a. an amazing monster



b. an amazing insect



2 It doesn't need .....

a. a head

b. water

3 It can live without ..... for months.

a. food

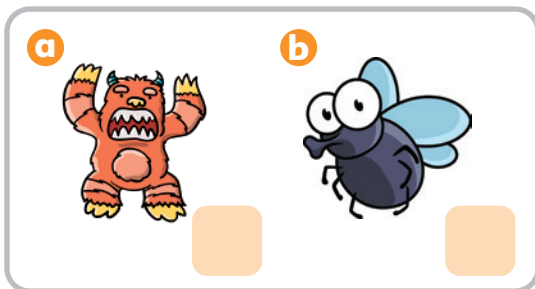
b. its head



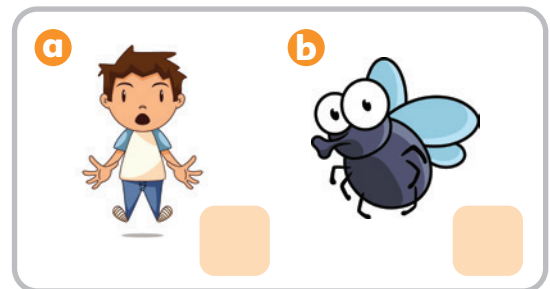
## Say and Choose

Practice the word by saying it. Check (✓) the correct picture.

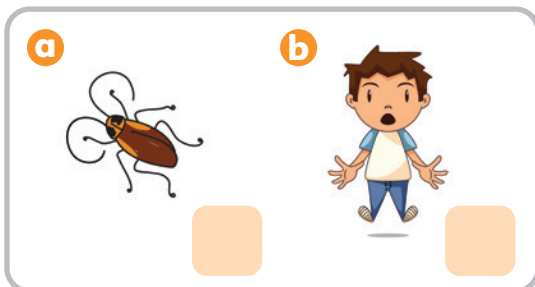
1 monster



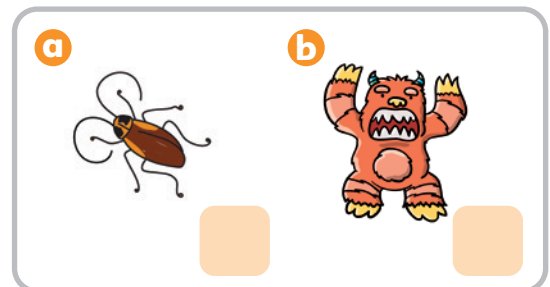
2 insect



3 amazing



4 cockroach



## Match and Write

Match the parts to make complete sentences. Fill in the blanks.

doesn't insect without cockroach monster air amazing live

1 This insect .....

• a It is a .....!



2 This insect can .....

• b need .....



3 This .....

• c ..... food.



4 It is not a .....

• d is .....



## Show and Tell

Use the pictures to practice speaking with a partner.



1 Why is a ..... amazing?

3 For how long?

2 It can live without .....

4 For .....! / I'm not sure.



# Review 1

## Vocabulary Review

**A** Circle one word for each photo.

1



artist  
cockroach  
month

2



bright  
equal  
expensive

3



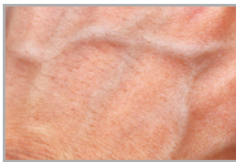
finger  
monster  
sheep

4



insect  
kilogram  
vitamin

5



crowded  
skin  
per

6



Greece  
Greenland  
New York

**B** Match the meaning to the correct word or phrase.

1

a person who draws, paints, etc. •

• **a** artist

2

30 or 31 days •

• **b** equal

3

a long race of 42 km •

• **c** hour

4

nice to eat; tasting like sugar •

• **d** marathon

5

60 minutes •

• **e** month

6

the same •

• **f** sweet



## Reading Review

- A** Read the passage. Then write one word to complete the topic of the reading.

Some cities on earth are crowded.  
 Other cities are not crowded at all.  
 A city like Beijing in China is very crowded.  
 Think of an average apartment building.  
 In Beijing, there might be 50 people per floor.  
 Cairo is not quite so crowded.  
 An average apartment floor there has only about 40 people.  
 An average apartment floor in London has only about 20 people.  
 Wellington, New Zealand is not very crowded at all.  
 An average apartment floor there has only about 7 people.



*Topic of the Reading:* How ..... Some Cities Are

- B** Fill in the blanks using words from the reading.

	Beijing	① ..... with 50 people per floor of an average apartment building
	② .....	crowded with 40 people ③ ..... floor of an average apartment building
	④ .....	less crowded with 20 people per floor of an average apartment building
	Wellington	not very crowded with 7 people per floor of an ⑤ ..... apartment building



## Speaking Review

**A** Circle the correct words to complete the dialog. Then practice it with a partner.

A: I just finished the most ① (amazing / equal) book. It was so funny!

B: What was it about?

A: A crazy scientist made a ② (message / monster) to take over the world.

B: Oh. That must be the book you had yesterday. It had the weird

③ (insect / race) on the front.

A: Right. That's the one. And to stop the monster, a farmer gave super

④ (months / vitamins) to one of his ⑤ (kilograms / sheep).

It grew really big and ate the monster. It was so funny!

B: I think I'll wait for the movie.



**B** Talk with a partner. Ask and answer the questions below.

- ① Who often sends you messages by email? Who sends you ones by smartphone?
- ② What can a person see or do in New York?
- ③ What is a tasty dish that your family makes at home?

## Writing Review

Complete the sentences using information from Units 1 through 8 or your own ideas.

- ① An expensive painting by Aelita Andre .....
- ② The first marathon .....
- ③ Venus spins .....
- ④ A famous river .....

## Fun Review

Play the game in pairs or small groups.

- 1 Choose another player. Play “Rock, Paper, Scissors” three (3) times.  
→ How many times did you win? Move that many squares.
- 2 Is there a picture on the square? If so, say a sentence in English about the picture.  
→ Is your sentence correct? Stay on the square.  
→ Is your sentence incorrect? Move back to where you started your turn.
- 3 Is there a star (★) on the square? If so, go again.
- 4 Is there a question mark (?) on the square? If so, ask any other player to spell a word from Units 1 through 8.  
→ Did they spell it correctly? If so, it is that player’s turn.
- 5 Is there an exclamation mark (!) on the square? If so, choose any other player to go next.

