Objective

The student will answer questions to comprehend text.

Materials

- Narrative or expository text
  - Choose text within students’ instructional-independent reading level range.
  - Copy text. At the end of selected paragraphs write numbers (i.e., 1-8). These will correspond to questions on the student sheet. Optional: Use the original text and place removable sticky notes with numbers written on them.
- Student sheet (Activity Master C.038.SS)
  - Numbers on student sheet correspond to numbers written on copy of text. Write questions related to that part of the text next to the numbers. Vary the complexity of the questions (e.g., literal, inferential).
- Pencil

Activity

Students read text and stop to answer questions.
1. Provide the student with a copy of the text and a student sheet.
2. Student reads the text until reaching a number.
3. Reads the question on the student sheet.
4. Writes the answer in the space provided.
5. Continues until entire text is read and all questions are answered.
6. Teacher evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations

- Work with a partner to answer the questions.
- Teacher cuts a copy of the text apart, inserts questions, tapes all together, and copies.
- Stop at the end of each paragraph, write a question on the student sheet, and exchange with a partner who writes the answer.

Why are some animals classified as mammals?

What are some examples of mammals that eat only meat, only plants, and both meat and plants?

How do humans differ from some other mammals?

Mammals are a class of animals that share many characteristics. Most have babies that are born alive. Mammals also make milk for their babies and care for them young much longer than other animals. There are many things that mammals have in common, but there are differences as well. These differences are important to know about different types of mammals.

Although mammals have a lot in common, there are some differences. For example, some mammals eat only plants, while others eat only meat. There are other mammals that eat both plants and meat. There are three types of mammals that eat only plants: cows and sheep, dogs and cats, and even whales. Some mammals are more adaptable than others when they are born. Some mammals eat both plants and meat.
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