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Conjunctions (1)

Conjunctions are joining words. They are used to join a word to another word, or a sentence to another sentence.

Examples: Matt likes popsicles and ice cream.

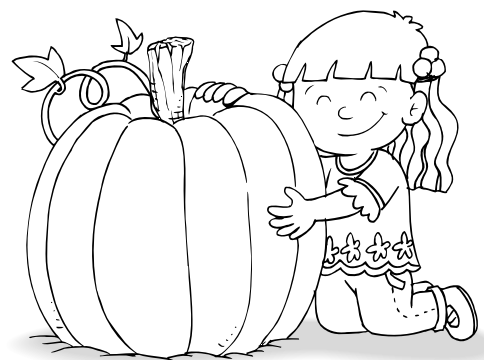
You may have an ice cream or a popsicle but not both.

We are leaving for Calgary tomorrow. Dad has to stay behind.

We are leaving for Calgary tomorrow but Dad has to stay behind.

A. Complete the following sentences with suitable conjunctions.

1. The Fall Fair has many displays _____ thrilling rides.
2. Most of the children wanted an outing _____ Mrs. Baker suggested a pizza party.
3. Was he born on the eighth _____ the eighteenth?
4. They bought juice, vegetables, fruits, _____ bread.
5. Both Cindy _____ Wilfred were selected to represent our class.
6. I can't work on the sums _____ watch TV at the same time.
7. He wants to be a professional baseball player _____ he is not good at batting _____ pitching.
8. Which painting is yours, this one _____ that one?
9. The pumpkin is a bright orange colour _____ weighs more than 200 kilograms.



B. Combine the sentence pairs into one sentence using "and", "but", or "or".

*Example: The pony eats oats. The pony eats hay.
The pony eats oats and hay.*



1. Owls sleep during the day and hunt at night.
Bats sleep during the day and hunt at night.

2. The days are hot in the summer.
The days are cold in the winter.

3. We can take the midnight flight.
We can take the morning flight the next day.

4. Greg doesn't like to eat spinach.
Greg likes to eat broccoli.

5. You can go there to apply in person.
You can fax the form to them.

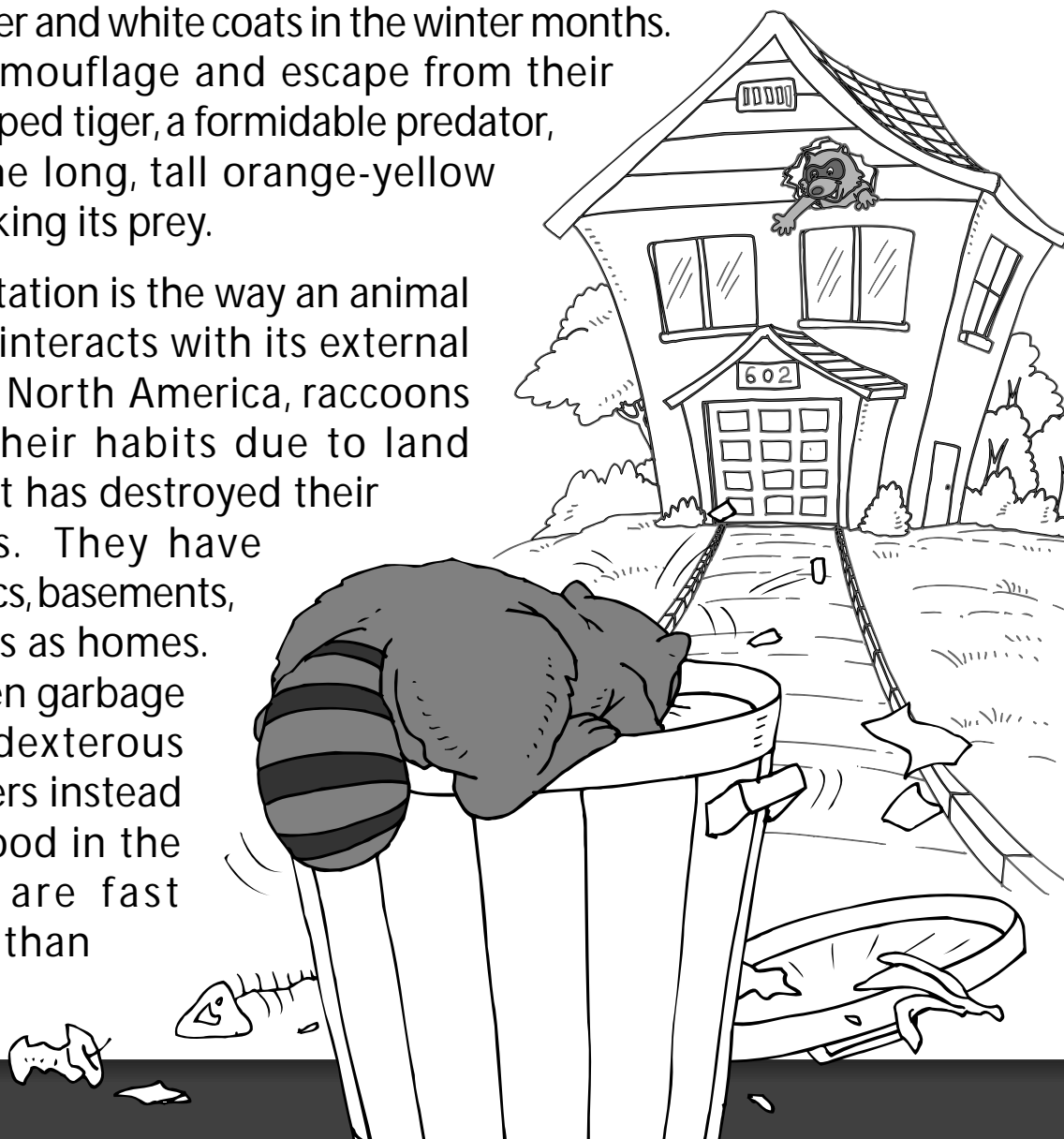
Animal Adaptation

Did you know that even in the driest deserts, coldest tundra, and darkest ocean waters live animals, plants, and organisms that are able to survive? They are able to survive and live to reproduce in their harsh environments through adaptation.

Adaptation is an evolutionary change that has developed over many generations to help animals and organisms live successfully in their habitats. The adaptations can be divided into structural and behavioural adaptations.

Camouflage, a structural adaptation, allows animals to blend in with their surroundings. For example, Arctic hares have grey or brown coats in the summer and white coats in the winter months. It helps them camouflage and escape from their predators. The striped tiger, a formidable predator, blends well in the long, tall orange-yellow grasses while stalking its prey.

Behavioural adaptation is the way an animal responds to and interacts with its external environment. In North America, raccoons have changed their habits due to land development that has destroyed their natural habitats. They have learned to use attics, basements, and storage sheds as homes. They raid and open garbage cans with their dexterous fingers for leftovers instead of foraging for food in the forests. They are fast becoming more than just a nuisance!



A. Read the definitions and find the words from the passage.

1.

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 : animals that kill and eat other animals
2.

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 : severe
3.

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 : skilful
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 : look for
5.

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 : following
6.

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 : natural environments

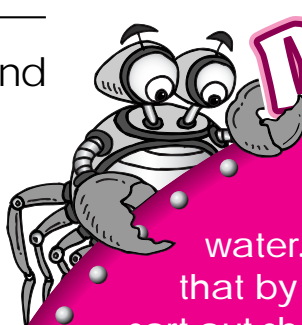
B. Answer the following questions.

1. Which sentence tells us that adaptation is a lengthy process?

2. Why do you think Arctic hares' coats turn white in winter?

3. Why do tigers need camouflage?

4. Why do raccoons use attics and storage sheds as homes?



Did You Know?

The raccoon is widely known for its habit of dunking food in water. Some scientists believe that by doing so, raccoons can sort out sharp bones or dangerous bits in the food that are not edible.