

GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE

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FIRST GRADE ROARS

Name _____ GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE BY GILES ANDREAE

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The jungle dance was coming up and Gerald was sad because he was a bad dancer.

CUT & IN ORDER

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He met a cricket who said listen to a different song.

The animals came to watch Gerald dance.

Gerald looked at the night sky.

The animals came to watch. They said he was the best dancer ever.

Gerald told the animals we can all dance when we find the music we love.

GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE

RHYMING

Color the words that rhyme with the same color.

floor	in
dance	rou
spot	pra
wide	re
knees	cr
ground	ro
feel	cl

GIRAFFES CAN DANCE

Roll 1	up 1	Roll 4	up 2
Roll 2	Gerald	Roll 5	lose turn
Roll 3	back 2	Roll 6	back 1

Name _____

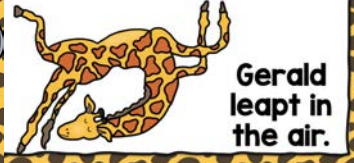
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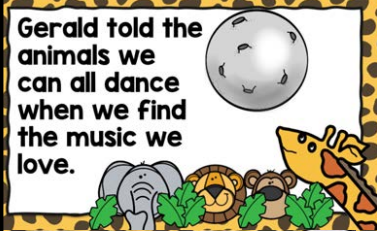
The cricket played his violin. Gerald leapt in the air.



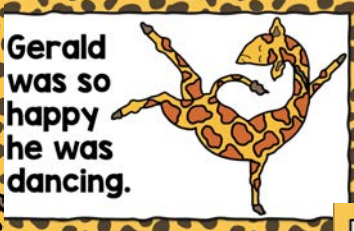
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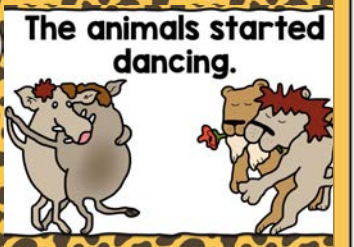
What was giraffe's problem?

How did the giraffe try to solve his problem? Explain 2 examples. Did it work?

Gerald crept off into the woods. He looked up at the night sky.



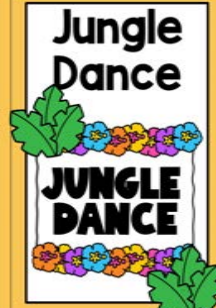
The animals started dancing.



At night



Jungle Dance



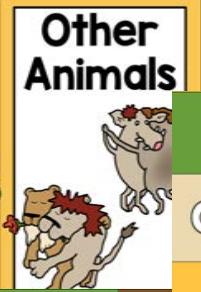
How did the giraffe feel about a zebra's neck? An elephant's neck?

What was Cyrus the turtle's problem? How did Edward help?

Jungle



Other Animals



erald walked to the floor



Cricket



Gerald the Giraffe



Gerald doesn't think he can dance until he finds music th

Gerald

problem

thinks

sad

meets a cricket

he can't dance

solution

sees

feels

roud

leaves the dance

we can all dance

Gerald th can't d because long legs animals t he coul

A cricket te him that he dance, he needs to pi song that w for him

IT'S OK T BE DIFFEREN

EVERYONE HAS THEIR OWN TALEN

BELIEVE IN YOURSEL

BUILD OTHERS UP

details characters setting

Message

ared

dances for animal

cited

learns to dance


MAKING PREDICTI

Giraffes Can't Dance

Name _____

Look at the cover and listen to predict I think you think might happen.

I PREDICT...



Name _____

I predict _____

CHARACTER ANALYSIS

Name _____

CHARACTER: **GERALD**

FEELING	PROOF
scared	
sad	

CHECK for UNDERSTANDING

Name _____

WHO?

CHECK for UNDERSTANDING

Name _____

WHAT?

WHEN?

WHERE?

FICTION or NON-FICTION

Name _____

GERALDES CAN'T DANCE

This book... has real people has real events has real facts

This book... is make believe tells a story is not true has a beginning, middle, and end

This book is fiction/ non-fiction because...

MY OPINION

Name _____

I THINK...

BECAUSE...

PROBLEM & SOLUTION

Name _____

PROBLEM

SOLUTION

PROBLEM

Name _____

The challenge in the story...

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

SOLUTION

Name _____




How was the problem solved?

WHAT IS THE SOLUTION?

CHARACTER ANALYSIS

Name _____

CHARACTER: **GERALD**

SEES				
DOES				
THINKS				

STORY MESSAGE

Name _____











IS THE IDEA?

STORY MESSAGE

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CUT & PASTE IN ORDER

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	The animals came to watch Gerald dance.
	Gerald looked at the night sky.
	Gerald played violin and did leapt in the air.
	The animals said he couldn't dance. He was sad.
	The animals danced.
	Gerald can munch on leaves.
	We can dance when we find the music we love.

MAIN IDEA & DETAILS

Name _____

What is the story MOSTLY about?

POINT OF VIEW

Name _____

WHO IS TELLING THE STORY?

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

MAKING CONNECTIONS

I am making a SELF TEXT

Connectio

RETELLING

Name _____

GERALDES

BEGINNING	MIDDLE	END
_____	_____	_____

RETELLING

Name _____

Giraffes Can't Dance

BEGINNING

MIDDLE

END

FEATURES of FICTION

Name _____

CHARACTERS	SETTING
_____	_____
PROBLEM	SOLUTION
_____	_____

GERALDES CAN'T DANCE

BY GILES ANDREA

Why did Gerald run off and leave the Jungle Dance party? Explain.

Look at the cover and listen to the title. Write 3 predictions of what you think might happen.

I PREDICT...

Name _____

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ALPHABETIZING

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

giraffe jungle dance
warthogs rhinos
cricket chimps r

1 _____ 6 _____
2 _____ 7 _____

Name _____

GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE

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Word Search

giraffe jungle dance Africa m
Gerald cricket moon wartho
rhinos lions chimps baboons sa

g	i	r	a	f	f	e	q	e	r	t	y	m	u
e	a	h	d	f	g	h	j	k	i	b	t	u	b
r	l	i	o	n	s	z	x	c	v	b	n	s	d
a	e	n	r	t	d	a	s	d	f	g	h	j	b
l	m	o	o	n	a	z	x	c	v	b	n	c	d
d	a	s	s	d	n	f	g	h	j	k	i	y	c
q	w	e	r	g	c	r	i	c	k	e	t	b	r

Name _____

GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE

Syllables

Gerald	1	2	3
cricket	1	2	3
Africa	1	2	3
giraffe	1	2	3
dance	1	2	3
jungle	1	2	3
baboon	1	2	3
song	1	2	3
lion	1	2	3
rhino	1	2	3

Name _____

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RHYMING

Color the words that rhyme the same

floor	tree
dance	round
spot	prarie
wide	reel
knees	cries
ground	rock



Name _____

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Making Words

MAKE A LIST

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

Name _____

GERALD THE GIRAFFE

Story Mapping Opinion

I agree/disagree	I love	My favorite	I would r
In my opinion	I feel	I like/don't like	If I ha

Middle Details

First	Second	Third
Next	Also	Another reason

Closing or Conclusi

MY OF GERALD

MY OPINION GERALD THE GI

Name _____

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RETELLING STORY

First	Ne
Then	After

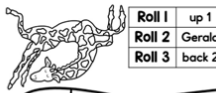

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RETELLING

GIRAFFES CAN

Roll 1 up 1
Roll 2 Gerald
Roll 3 back 2

Spin & Add 10

Dancing BINGO

Spin the Spinner. Add 10 to the number. Cover the number. If it's already covered, you lose a turn. 5 in a row, wins!


17	11	13	15
18	12	14	17
13	15		18

JUNGLE DANCE

COUNT ON BY 5'S

100		
110		
107		
112		
103		
115		
113		

Roll a dice. Solve. First one to the finish, wins.



COUNT ON BY 5'S

"WE ALL CAN DANCE"

GIRAFFE CRAFT



W	E	L	C	D	A	E	F
A	L	A	N	N	C	I	N