

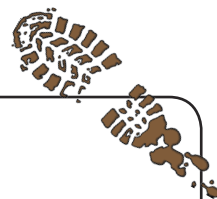


Cave Facts Reading Challenge

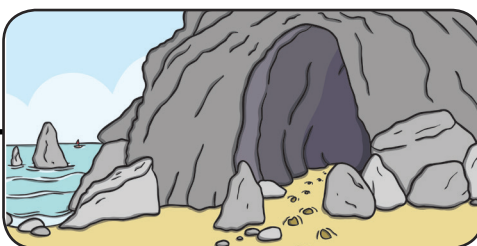
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You can only move     not diagonally.

Start



Caves are dark.



Caves can be dangerous.

Bats live in caves.

Mosses and ferns can grow by caves.

Caves are made from wood.

No plants grow in caves.

Stalagmites grow from the ground in caves.

Crickets can live in caves.

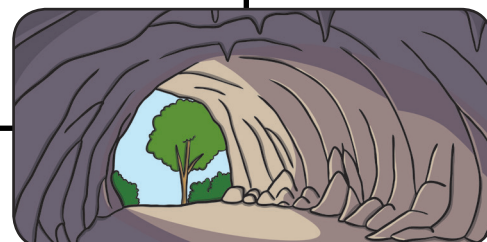
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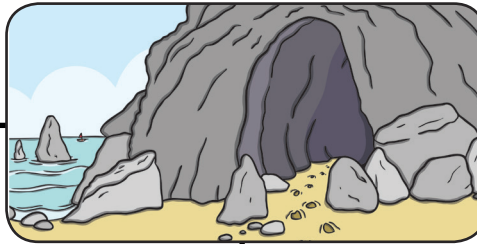
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Caves are dark and wet.



Caves can be dangerous because they might collapse.

Bats, bears and spiders can all live in caves.

Mosses and ferns can grow by caves because it is cool and damp.

Caves are made from wood.

No plants grow in caves because they are too dry.

Stalagmites grow from the ground in caves.

Caves are made when hot lava melts and holes are made in the rock.

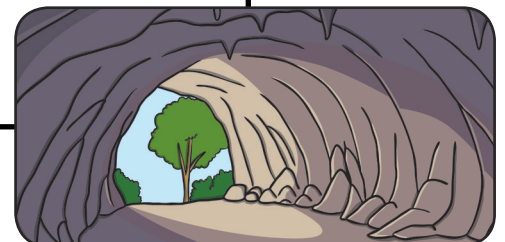
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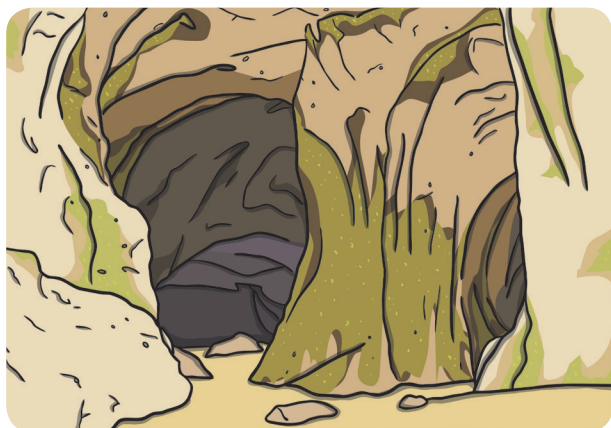




Cave Facts

Reading Challenge

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How Are Caves Made?

Caves take millions of years to form. They are made when water runs over soft rock and dissolves it (breaks it down). A cave will slowly get bigger as the water keeps flowing over it.

1. Copy the word that describes what the water does to the rock.

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Caves can also be formed when:

- hot **lava** melts and holes are made;
- the ceiling of a cave collapses, making a big room or **cavern**;
- strong waves bash against the rock along the **coast** and wear it away.

2. Pick one of the words in bold above and explain what it means.

Word:.....

Meaning:

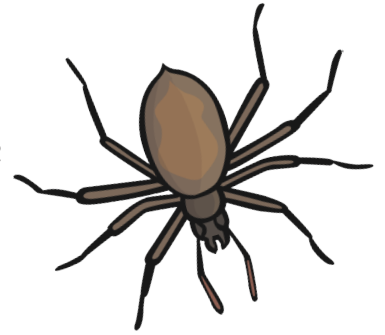
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Cave Facts Reading Challenge

Animals in Caves

Caves are cold, dark and often wet, but many animals live in them. You may find crickets, millipedes, spiders, snakes, cave beetles, glow-worms, bats or even bears.



3. Write 3 animals you might find in a cave.

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Plants in Caves

Plants need sunlight to live. Light is found at the opening or entrance to caves and so trees or grasses may grow here. Mosses and ferns may also grow because it is cool and damp.

4. Which plants grow at the entrance to caves? (Tick 2)

daisies

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mosses

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ferns

☐

sunflowers

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Cave Facts Reading Challenge



Did You Know...?

The proper name for cave exploring is **spelunking**.

It is important to explore caves because they have interesting plants and animals living in them.

Ancient things left by humans have been found in caves around the world. These give us clues about life a long time ago.

5. What is the proper name for cave exploring?

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Cave Facts Reading Challenge

Answers

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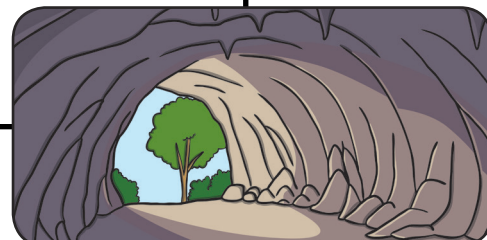
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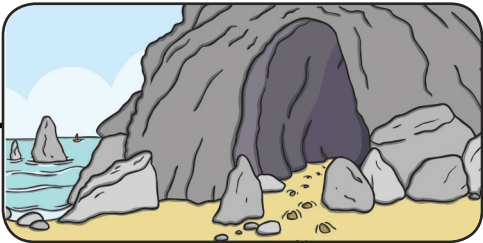


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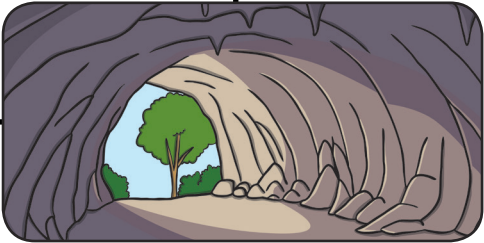
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Answers

1. Copy the word that describes what the water does to the rock.

Dissolves

2. Pick one of the words in bold above and explain what it means

Accept any reasonable explanation of either lava, cavern or coast.

3. Write three animals you might find in a cave.

Any three from: crickets, millipedes, spiders, snakes, cave beetles, glow-worms, bats or bears.

4. Which plants grow at the entrance to caves?

ferns and mosses

5. What is the proper name for cave exploring?

spelunking