

INQUIRY

-ASKING QUESTIONS-

Designed for English Language Learners



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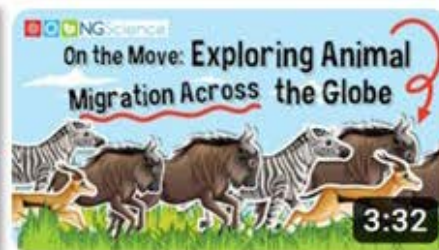
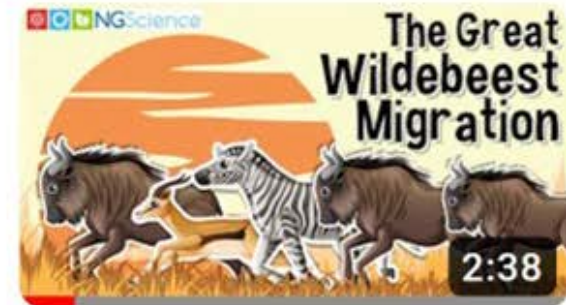
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The Great Wildebeest Migration

Passage Vocabulary Activity Question Set

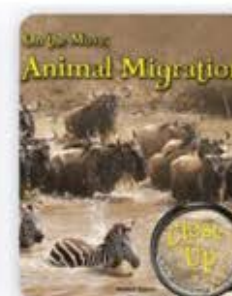


Save Monarch Butterflies with Milkweed



This is the first video I show my students.

EPIC BOOKS



links to Videos, books & articles
– suggested activities included –

SPEAKING

LET'S TALK! WORD - SENTENCE - DISCOURSE



1 - What do you see?

2 - Describe what's happening.

3 - What questions do you have?

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Question Starters 

What is/are _____?

How can _____?

Where do/does _____?

Why do/does _____?

When do/does _____?

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Clarifying Questions 

Could you give an example?

Could you explain that again?

Could you give more information?

So are you saying _____?

What did you mean by _____?

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READING

Monarch Butterfly Migration

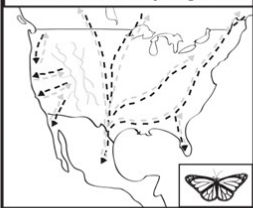
Monarch butterflies are beautiful insects with orange and black wings. Each year, when the weather gets colder, these butterflies go on a long journey to a warm place.



Monarchs cannot survive in cold weather, so in the fall they begin to **migrate**. They travel from the northern United States all the way to Mexico using their **instincts** to find the way. It's a long trip that takes several months! The Monarchs stay in trees to stay warm along the way.

In Mexico, they find special trees that provide a safe and warm place to stay during the winter.

Monarch Butterfly Migration



1. Why do Monarch butterflies migrate?
2. Where do Monarch butterflies migrate to?
3. What is something Monarch butterflies use to find the way?
4. What questions do you have about Monarch butterflies?

Animal Migration: A Great Journey

Some animals, like birds, butterflies and whales travel long distances each year. This journey from one place to another is called **migration**. Why do some animals migrate?



Different animals migrate for different reasons. One reason is cold temperatures. When it gets cold, food becomes scarce, or hard to find. In order to survive, animals need to travel to warmer places where food is available.

Another reason animals migrate is to find a safe place to give **birth**. They go to places to hide, away from the dangers of the wild, before heading back home. This is for their survival.

Some animals migrate to find food. For example, some whales travel back to the ocean near the poles to find a mate. The females then hatch to lay their own eggs.



1. What is migration?
2. Give one reason why animals migrate.
3. How do animals know where to migrate?

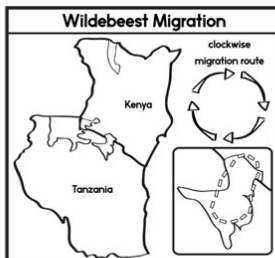
The Great Migration

Wildebeests live in Africa, where it can get very dry. Sometimes there is not enough food for all the wildebeests, so they do something amazing—they go on a long **annual** journey called the Great Migration.



During the Great Migration, other animals like zebras and antelopes also travel long distances in search of fresh water and food. They start their journey in one place and travel hundreds of miles to another place.

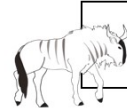
The journey is not easy. There are many dangers along the way, like lions and crocodiles. But the animals stick together in giant **herds** to stay safe.



1. What is the Great Migration?
2. Why do the wildebeests migrate?
3. What are some dangers the animals face during the migration?
4. What questions do you have about the Great Migration?

Name: _____

WILDEBEEST CLOZE ACTIVITY



migration wildebeest Africa herds
predators clockwise grasses

The great wildebeest _____ is an annual event in Africa. Every year, millions of wildebeests and zebra move in a _____ and search for fresh water and food. It's a dangerous journey with many hungry predators along the way. The migrating animals stay in large groups, for protection.

Word Wall

Wildebeest Vocabulary - Word Wall

migrate



herd



clockwise



Wildebeest Vocabulary - Word Wall

adapt

HOW AN ANIMAL'S BODY OR BEHAVIOR HELPS IT SURVIVE



instinct

A BEHAVIOR AN ANIMAL IS BORN WITH



birth



Wildebeest Vocabulary - Word Wall

grass



rainy season



predator



crocodile



river



passages with
comprehension
questions

WRITING

Graphic organizers

Name: _____

Topic: _____

who

what

how

The Great Wildebeest Migration

Who

Where

What

Why

When

How

find food and water

each year

wildebeests

Africa

migrate

Cut and glue: Match the vocabulary to the correct question words. Then, write a complete sentence about the Great Wildebeest Migration.

Name: _____

K	W	L
What I know about _____	What I want to know about _____	What I learned about _____

Topic/Title: _____

Questioning

Who?

What?

When?

What?

When?

KEY WORD

INFORMATION

MEMORY CLUE

Wildebeest Vocabulary

migrate

to travel, or move

Some animals migrate to find food and water.

predator

Migrating can be dangerous for predators.

herd

Wildebeests travel in herds because they are safer.

Vocabulary

KEY WORD	INFORMATION	MEMORY CLUE (PICTURE)

Name: _____

I see	I think	I wonder
What observations can I make?	What do I think is happening?	What questions do I have?