Encantado: Pink Dolphin of the Amazon

In what ways are PINK DOLPHINS mysterious?

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Study Skills

- Genre: Expository Nonfiction
- Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast
- Comprehension Strategy: Visualize
- Comprehension Review Skill: Generalize
- Vocabulary: Multi-Meaning Words
One of the most mysterious animals on the planet is the pink dolphin. Meet this unique and fascinating creature as you explore the rain forest with your South American guide.
Genre: Expository Nonfiction

- Expository Nonfiction provides factual information about a topic. As you read, look for facts about pink dolphins to add to your knowledge of animals.
Comprehension Skill Tested: Compare and Contrast

- A **Comparison** tells how two or more things are **alike**.
- A **Contrast** tells how they are different.
- Clue words such as **like** or **as** show similarities.
- Clue words such as **but** or **unlike** show differences.
Compare and Contrast

Alike
many animals live here

1. ____________________

Different

2. ____________________

3. ____________________

Different

birds of paradise

4. ____________________

scarlet macaw

5. ____________________

Australian Rain Forest

South American Rain Forest
Grammar Review – Pronouns

- Pronouns are words that take the place of nouns.
- Pronouns that take place of a singular noun are singular pronouns: \( I, me, he, she, him, her, and it \)
- Pronouns that take the place of plural nouns are plural pronouns: \( we, us, they, them \)
Grammar Review – Subject and Object Pronouns

- A subject pronoun is used as the subject of a sentence. 
  *I, you, he, she, it, we, and they*

- Object pronouns is used in the predicate of the sentence after an action verb or with a preposition. 
  *me, you, him, her, it, us, and them*

- Using pronouns makes writing less wordy by avoiding repeated nouns.
Comprehension Strategy

Visualize

- Good readers visualize as they read.
- This means they create pictures in their minds.
- Sensory words such as sticky and crackle can help you experience what you are reading.
A generalization is a broad statement or rule that applies to many examples.

Clue words: all, most, always, usually, generally
Comprehension Skill Review

Generalize

Some generalizations are valid, which means that they are supported by facts or details. Some are faulty. Which means that they are not supported.
Vocabulary Skill: Multiple-Meaning Words

- When you read you may find the meaning of a word you know does not make sense in a sentence.
- This is because the word is a multiple-meaning word, or a word with more than one meaning.
- For example, *story* can mean “an account of what happened.” It can also mean “a lie, or falsehood.”
Research/Study Skills – 
Poster/Announcement

An announcement tells about an upcoming event. It usually answers the questions **Who? What? When? Where? Why?** and **How?**

A poster is a type of announcement that is large. It often uses colors and large type to emphasize information and to grab readers’ attention.
What can explain animal behavior?
Day 2 - Question of the Day

Why do you think a pink dolphin is called *encantado*, or “enchanted”? 
Why do you think the pink dolphins’ behavior remains a mystery today?
Do you think it is important to find out more about the “Mysterious Animals? Why or why not?
Review Questions

1. How are pink dolphins and ocean dolphins alike?

2. Why would ocean dolphins not be able to survive in the Amazon River?

3. Why was one section called “Nightmare Dream World”?

4. Why are pink dolphins difficult to study?
Review Questions

1. Why do dolphins send out beams from their foreheads?

2. How are pink dolphins and people alike according to this selection?

3. How are dolphins and submarines alike?

4. Why does this author seem to speak directly to the reader?
Vocabulary - Say It It

- aquarium
- surface
- glimpses
- dolphins
- flexible
- enchanted
- pulses
More Words to Know

destination

tee

submerged

agility

endowed

relationship
surface

- the top of the ground or soil, or of a body of water or other liquid
aquarium

- building used for showing collections of live fish, water animals, and water plants
pulses

- regular, measured beats
dolphins

- any of numerous sea mammals related to the whale, but smaller. Dolphins have beaklike snouts and remarkable intelligence.
glimpses

- short, quick views or looks
enchanted

- delighted
- greatly;
- charmed;
- magical
flexible

- easily bent; not stiff; bending without breaking; stretchable
teem

to be full of;
abound;
swarm
destination

- place to which someone or something is going or being sent
submerged

- put under water;
- covered with water
agility

- the ability to move quickly and easily; nimbleness
relationship

- condition that exists between people or groups that deal with each other
endowed

- born with; provided with some ability, quality, or talent
Pink dolphins live in rivers, not in the ocean.
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The cat was endowed with a mysterious sense of geography.
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Pink dolphins are so flexible they can even touch their tail to their nose.
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If you take an expedition to an aquarium or zoo, you will most likely see bottle-nosed dolphins.
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Dolphins can also send out pulses of sound from inside their foreheads.
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The tangarana tree’s hollow stems teem with thousands of stinging black ants.
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Moises finally reveals the destination at dolphin lake.
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All you can see at first is a pink shimmer on the water's surface.
All you can see at first is a pink shimmer on the water’s surface.
Maybe the three glimpses you had were all the same dolphin.
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These pink dolphins of the rain-forest swim in a jungle.
These pink dolphins of the rain-forest swim in a submerged jungle.
Encantado means in Portuguese and in Spanish.
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The pink dolphins move with agility through the submerged jungle.
The pink dolphins move with **agility** through the submerged jungle.
The cat, Sugar, bonded with the Woods, and their relationship grew over the years.
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