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The Sad Story of Snuffles

Once upon a time there lived a small creature called a Snuffle. It was the most unusual of creatures for it lived only in the mud. Snuffles slept in the mud, ate in the mud and even bathed in the mud. They lived so long in puddles that they began to lose their own shape and color. Soon all the Snuffles were brown, and soggy.

One day a young Snuffle decided he no longer wanted to be dirty. He longed to climb out of his puddle and see what it was like. The others told him to stay put. They said it was too hard to leave, that he would struggle and fail. The young Snuffle did not listen, and even though it was hard he climbed out of the mud.

At first it was hard to walk. He stumbled and fell, but soon he gained strength and walked easier. The sun eventually dried up his soggy bits and he looked more and more like snuffles were meant to look. He visited new places that were not mud covered and wet. When he went back home no one recognized him. He could not convince them the world was beautiful outside the puddle. The other Snuffles eventually lost all shape and became the puddle they could not leave.

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Goodnight Farm Comprehension Questions

1. How do you know that the animals were ready to leave when the pig started singing to song?

2. What happened when the pig started singing to song?

3. What was the song the pig sang about?

The Shore Comprehension Questions

1. What happened when the children went down to the beach?

2. How did the children feel when they were on the beach?

3. What did the children do when they were on the beach?

Earthworms

The earthworm is more than fish bait and bird food. They are nature's workman. Earthworms improve soil for humans, plants and animals. The tunnels they create help air and water reach deeper parts of the soil. More air and more water make for a healthier soil.

Did you know the diet of an earthworm is the dirt itself? These worms eat the soil they live in. This food source is great for the worm but not for plants. The waste released by the worm is then used to feed the plants because it has a lot of nutrients.

If you were to look really closely at the earthworm's body it looks like they are joined together with rings. They are actually put together with about 150 different segments. This helps the worm to move as each segment has muscles and bristles. The bristles are what give the worm control when moving through the soil. The different segments to the earthworm are also why they can survive and regrow parts of their body back if something pulls it apart.

Earthworms have no lungs to help them breathe. Instead they breathe through their skin. This is the reason they must stay in moist damp places. Their skin cannot dry out or they will not survive.

Ghost Stories

Everyone loves a good ghost story. Sitting around a campfire telling stories about humans back from the dead is not a recent pastime. Ghost stories are still beloved around the world. To understand ghost stories one must know what a ghost is. Ghost, spirit, or specter is the essence that is left behind after a person dies. This is an ancient idea, not one everyone believes in, but the notion has had a lasting impression. Ghost stories are still beloved around the world. Some funeral rites were created to ensure the spirit might move on and not haunt their loved ones.

A memorable ghost story has a good location. Usually these locations are well known. The White House is a nice example of this. Many people have claimed to have seen the ghosts of past presidents. Battlefields from the civil war are another popular setting for ghost stories. Here people have not only seen one or two specters, but entire armies!

Not all ghost stories have historical merit. Some simply have eerie settings such as a cemetery or abandoned mansion. The best stories have an element of truth to them. These are the ones that get passed down from generation to generation.

The Forest Princess Comprehension Questions

1. Why did the girl need to hold onto the rock and be careful not to lose it?

2. What made the girl so afraid of going into the forest alone?

3. Who was the girl's grandmother?

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