

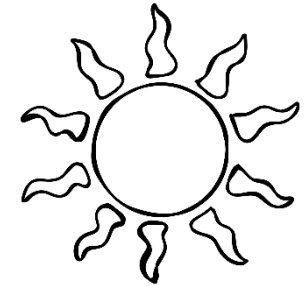
Who am I? How do you know?

- During the summer, my heat is blistering.
- Stay hydrated when you are exposed to me.
- Only exercise when I hide in the evening.
- Don't stare at me.
- I can cause serious damage.

Who Am I? Riddle

Summer

Review Booklet



Name: _____

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Using evidence from the story, infer who the narrator is and how he or she feels about his or her job.

I sat outside the Jones house for like 20 minutes. I was scanning the newspaper to see if there were any other summer jobs I might be qualified for. Then I saw Mrs. Jones waving at me. I faked a smile and waved back. Then I grabbed the pool skimmer and headed for the back gate.

Point of View

Main Idea

You've probably heard the phrase "the dog days of summer". It refers to the weeks between mid-July and mid-August. However, why is it called that? Well, it stretches all the way back to the ancient Greeks. During those months, the dog constellation, Canis Major, was rising in the heavens. They blamed its presence for the uncomfortable weather.

Determine the main idea.

Use evidence from the text to infer the setting.

Deep in concentration, Sharla stood above the ball. She swung the club, and the ball gently curled around the windmill and plopped into the hole. She had now beaten Pete five times in a row. Pete smiled at her. However, when Sharla turned her back, Pete gritted his teeth and squeezed his hands around the club until they ached.

Making Inferences

Figurative Language

The black leather seats were like fire after being exposed to direct sunlight.

Does the above sentence contain a simile or a metaphor? How do you know?

What is the meaning of the sentence?

Based on the details provided, infer the author's main point.

Many people attend the 4th of July concert and fireworks downtown. I suppose that you could try anything once. However, you can actually see the fireworks better on TV at home. Plus, if you've got the right sound system, the concert is even better. Maybe some people like huge crowds and waiting two hours for the subway, but it's not worth it.

Author's Main Point

Context Clues

I was having one of my best days all summer. I left early before my parents were up. I caught six trout, sold them to the grocer, and bought hot dogs. Things took a turn, however. I arrived home to find Mom fuming in the doorway with her arms crossed. She admonished me for not leaving a note.

Use context clues to determine the meaning of the underlined word.

EXAMPLE ANSWERS

Main Idea: The phrase “the dog days of summer” was created because of the connection to a constellation and the weather.

Figurative Language: It contains a simile. It means that the leather seats were extremely hot.

Context Clues: reprimanded, scolded, got on to, fussed at

Who Am I? Riddle: sunlight; the sun

Point of View: The narrator is a pool cleaner, and he or she is not happy with his or her job.

Making Inferences: The setting of the story is a mini golf course.

Author’s Main Point: Going downtown for the 4th of July celebration is not a good idea.

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