

Reading Activity

The clever monkey

Once upon a time, there was a clever monkey. He lived on a beautiful island, in an apple tree. One day, a crocodile swam to the island. 'I'm hungry,' he said.

So the monkey threw a red apple to the crocodile. The crocodile munched and munched. The next day, the crocodile came back. 'Please, may I have two apples?' he asked. He ate one and gave one to his wife.

The crocodile went to see the monkey every day, to listen to his tales and eat his apples. He wanted to be clever, just like the monkey. The crocodile's wife had an idea. 'Why don't you eat his heart? Then you'll be clever, just like him!'

The next day, he said to the monkey, 'Come to my house! We'll have lunch together, to thank you for the apples.'

But when he arrived, the crocodile snapped and said, 'Monkey! I want to eat your heart, so I can be as clever as you!'

The clever monkey thought quickly and said, 'But... I haven't got my heart here. It's on the island, in the apple tree.'

They all went back to the island. 'Wait here, and I will get my heart,' said the monkey. The monkey quickly climbed the tree and sat at the top. 'Oh, Crocodile. You are greedy. Of course you can't have my heart. And now, you can't have my apples!' And the clever monkey laughed and laughed!

Story Time



Answer these questions about the text.

What did the crocodile want to be?

What was the crocodile's wife's idea?

Was the monkey's heart really in the apple tree?

Did the crocodile get the monkey's heart?

Will the crocodile get any more apples from the monkey?

Writing Activity

When news is reported, there may be a mixture of facts and opinions. A fact can be proven to be true and an opinion is what somebody thinks. When we write our reports, it is important that we include true facts and positive opinions as we are writing a happy news story!

Example of a fact: Mrs Weeks is the head teacher of Poverest Primary School.

There are many ways we can prove that Mrs Weeks is the head teacher of Poverest so that is a fact.

Example of an opinion: Mrs Weeks makes the best roast dinner.

Some may believe that Mrs Weeks makes the best roast dinner but others may believe they know somebody else who makes the best roast dinner. Therefore, that is an opinion.

Decide whether these statements are facts or opinions.

- Red is the best colour.
- Our Prime Minister is Boris Johnson.
- The month after June is July.
- December is always the coldest month of the year.
- Apples taste better than pears.
- Dogs make the best pets.
- $5 + 5 = 10$

Write a fact and opinion about yourself:

- Fact:
- Opinion:

Maths Activity

Revise halving numbers to 100 using partitioning.



Half of 40 is **20**

Half of 8 is **4**

Recombine: Half of 48 is **24**

Revise halving numbers to 100 using partitioning.



Half of 50 is **25**

Half of 6 is **3**

Recombine: Half of 56 is **28**

Find half of:

- 22
- 46
- 28
- 62
- 88
- 56
- 32
- 78
- 12
- 38

Afternoon Activity

In just a few weeks, you will be in Year 4! Moving to a new classroom with a new teacher can bring lots of different emotions. You might feel excited, worried, upset or happy. By now, you will have met your new class teacher and had some time to think about Year 4.

We would like you to write any questions you might have for your new teacher and we will pass these to them.

Joke for the day

What object is king of the classroom?

The ruler!



