

Non-Fiction Cloze Comprehension

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Read each passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the word bank or your own words that make sense.

Passage 1: The Honey Bee

Word Bank: flowers • hive • queen • pollen • honey • worker

Honey bees are incredible insects that live together in a large group called a colony. Each colony has one _____ bee who lays all the eggs. Most bees in the colony are _____ bees. These bees have many important jobs, including collecting nectar and _____ from _____. Back at the _____, worker bees turn the nectar into _____, which they store as food for the colony.

Passage 2: The Water Cycle

Word Bank: evaporation • clouds • rain • ocean • sun • condensation

The water cycle is the continuous movement of water on Earth. It begins when the _____ heats up water in rivers, lakes, and the _____. This process is called _____. The water vapour rises into the sky and cools down, forming _____. This cooling process is known as _____. When the clouds become heavy with water droplets, they release the water as _____ or other precipitation, which falls back to the ground.

Passage 3: The Kiwi Bird

Word Bank: nocturnal • endangered • national • flightless • insects • forests

The kiwi is New Zealand's _____ bird and a unique species found nowhere else in the world. Unlike most birds, kiwis are _____, which means they cannot fly. They are _____ creatures that come out at night to search for food. Kiwis use their long beaks to find _____ and worms in the soil of native _____. Unfortunately, kiwis are _____, so many New Zealanders work hard to protect them.