

READING TASKS WEEK 8

TASK 1



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Minecraft is a super popular video game. In this game, players build and create with a variety of different blocks in digital, three-dimensional worlds.

The purpose of the game is to build and explore. There are no points or levels to work through. There are two main modes, or ways to play, Minecraft. They are Survival and Creative.

In Survival mode, players need to find their own building supplies and food to be able to continue playing the game. They can also interact with mobs, which are block-shaped creatures that move.

Some of these creatures are friendly, but some are definitely not!

In Creative mode, players are given the supplies they will need to build and break all kinds of blocks. Players do not need to eat to survive when playing in Creative.

To play Minecraft, you will need a computer or digital device. There are compatible versions of the Minecraft game for a variety of different computers, tablets, and smartphones.

You will also need to create an online account. Any players aged 12 or under will need to have a parent create their account for them.

Don't forget, you should always ask a parent before going online, even to play games like Minecraft!

Answer the following questions:

1. Select the best definition for Minecraft.

a) Minecraft is an online game.

b) Minecraft is a popular video game in which players use blocks to build and create digital, 3D worlds.

c) Minecraft is a fun game that can be played on a computer.

2. Which Minecraft mode do you think you would prefer to play? Explain your answer.

3. Draw an example of what a mob might look like.

4. What do you need to be able to play Minecraft?

Choose all correct answers:

- a) computer/digital device
- b) wooden building blocks
- c) a Minecraft account
- d) a book about Minecraft
- e) a Minecraft T-shirt
- f) parent permission (if you are under 12 years)

TASK 2

Spring in New Zealand: What happens to the animals?



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Many baby animals are born in spring in New Zealand. Lambs, foals, calves and ducklings are all born during the spring season.

There are also lots of migrant birds that come back to New Zealand in the spring. What happens to the plants and insects?

You can see the trees and bushes blossom and grow new leaves in spring and many plants flower. Daffodils grow and kowhai flowers appear on its tree.

Many more insects can be spotted in spring, such as butterflies and bees.

What is celebrated in spring? Many regions around New Zealand hold festivals and events to celebrate the start of spring.

On 31st October, some people in New Zealand celebrate Halloween. Children dress up in costumes.

On 5th November, Guy Fawkes Day is celebrated in New Zealand by some people by watching firework displays.

Spring is one of the four seasons. It is the season that comes after winter. Spring begins in September and ends in November.

Answer the following questions:

1. Which season does spring come after?
2. When does spring start?
3. When does spring end?
4. Name one animal that is born in spring.
5. Which animals come back to New Zealand in the spring?
6. What happens to trees and plants in spring?
7. What else can be spotted in spring?
8. What celebrations happen in spring? Spring in New Zealand

Kiwiana Christmas Crossword

Across

2	Some children hang these up on Christmas Eve.
3	A game that families enjoy playing together on the beach or in the backyard.
5	A Christmas event with colourful floats and musical bands.
8	An event where carols are sung by.
11	Hot meat that some families have on Christmas Day.

Down

1	The hemisphere New Zealand is in.
4	The season Christmas Day falls in the middle of.
6	The animal that pulls Santa's sleigh.
7	A native tree which is sometimes call a New Zealand Christmas tree.
9	Often sits on the top of the Christmas tree.
10	Many New Zealand families like to do this to their house.

