

Year 4 Timetable 29th May 2020

Reading Mission:
30 minutes

Children to read or support them to read the following text.

Anansi and the Turtle, a Caribbean Folk Tale

One hot summer's day, Turtle went for a walk. After a while, he began to feel hungry. When he smelt something cooking nearby, he followed the delicious smell until he came to the house of Anansi, the spider man. Anansi was sitting in the sun outside his house, and on the table before him was a big bowl of sweet, roasted yams.

"Hello, Anansi," said Turtle. "I'm very hungry, can you share your lunch?"

"No!" said Anansi. "I've grown these yams and roasted them, and I'm going to eat every one myself."

"That's not kind," Turtle said. "It's good manners to offer food to anyone who has come to your home." Anansi frowned.

"Well, all right then," he agreed. However, just as Turtle reached for a yam, Anansi jumped up.

"Look at your hands, Turtle!" he said. "You can't come to the table with dirty hands. Go to the river and wash them." Turtle couldn't deny his hands were dirty, so he went to wash them in the river.

While he made his slow way there, Anansi shoved as many yams into his mouth as he could and ate them quickly. When Turtle returned, he was hungrier than ever, but Anansi still wouldn't let him eat.

"Look at your hands, Turtle!" he said. "You've made them all dirty again when you walked back from the river. You should have walked on the grass. You can't sit at the table with dirty hands."

Sadly, Turtle walked back to the river. While he made his slow way there, Anansi quickly devoured the rest of the yams. When Turtle returned and found the bowl empty, Anansi just smiled.

"I hope you enjoyed your lunch, Turtle," he said. "Now I have things to do." Turtle nodded thoughtfully.

"First, you must agree to come to lunch at my house," he said. "You must let me return the favour." Anansi always liked to get something for nothing, so he agreed to visit Turtle the next day.

When the time came, Anansi walked down to the beach where Turtle lived.

"Turtle looks very well fed," he thought to himself, "I expect I'm in for a big feast!" When he arrived, Turtle greeted him and dived down to the bottom of the sea. Anansi jumped into the water and followed. Down he went, deeper and deeper, until he saw a table full of delicious looking food.

"Take a seat, Anansi," said Turtle. Anansi licked his greedy lips, but as soon as he sat down... whoop! He felt himself shooting up to the surface again! He wasn't heavy enough to stay on the floor of the ocean.

"Hmm..." Anansi was determined to eat Turtle's lunch. He searched for pebbles on the beach and filled his jacket pockets, then jumped into the water once more. This time, he sank down and stayed down. But as he reached out for something to eat, Turtle shook his head.

"Oh, no, Anansi! It is impolite to wear your jacket at the table. You must take it off," he said. So Anansi took off his jacket and... whoop! He shot up to the surface again! Anansi climbed onto the riverbank, coughing and spluttering. As he shook himself dry, Turtle peeped out of the water.

"I hope you enjoyed your lunch, Anansi," he said. "It was so good that there's nothing left!"

After they can answer these questions. These can be verbal answers or they could be written down or typed. Children could even draw their responses. Suggested answers are in italics.

Where is this story from?

Why were Turtle's hands dirty?

How did Anansi stay on the bottom of the sea for a while?

Why did Anansi trick Turtle?

Why did Turtle trick Anansi?

What is a yam? How do you know this?

Are good manners important in this place? Why do you think that?

What do you think the moral (lesson) of the story is?

What do you think might happen after the end of the story?

Where is this story from?
The Caribbean.

Why were Turtle’s hands dirty?
He was walking on them.

How did Anansi stay on the bottom of the sea for a while?
He filled his jacket pockets with rocks.

Why did Anansi trick Turtle?
He was being greedy.

Why did Turtle trick Anansi?
For revenge/pride.

What is a yam? How do you know this?
A vegetable. Anansi says he has grown and roasted them – you can grow vegetables and fruit, but usually only roast vegetables.

Are good manners important in this place? Why do you think that?
They are, because both characters do what is polite even though it costs them the food.

What do you think the moral (lesson) of the story is?
Your child’s answer.

What do you think might happen after the end of the story?
Your child’s answer.

Writing Mission:
 30 minutes

After recapping coordinating conjunctions yesterday, we are going to take another look at subordinating conjunctions today. Subordinating conjunctions are any conjunction other than the ones in FANBOYS. They also join clauses of sentences together, but these do not have to be main clauses. A clause that cannot be a sentence on its own is a subordinate clause.

BBC Bitesize has some lessons on this here:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwwp8mn/articles/zqk37p3>

For today’s activity, can you identify the subordinate conjunctions in these sentences?

- 1) **The flat burned down because the electrics hadn’t been checked.**
- 2) **After they finished their homework, Steven and his friends played football.**
- 3) **The wind danced around the trees before heading south.**
- 4) **Tom saw the maid when she came through the door.**
- 5) **While looking through the window, Sophie saw the BFG.**
- 6) **She felt sad whenever she saw the picture.**

- 7) Grandma said I could go out to play if I finished my homework.
- 8) If you eat all your dinner, you can have an ice cream.
- 9) Ryan got a prize, even though he was last in the race.
- 10) On his birthday Adam received a football, which he traded for a baseball bat.

Now choose the best conjunctions to complete these sentences:

Time : after, before, as soon as, while, when, as, until

Cause : because, since, as,

Condition : if, provided that, as long as, unless

For each sentence add in the best conjunction:

1. Take the cake out of the oven _____ the timer goes off.
2. Don't cross the road on a sharp bend _____ it is dangerous.
3. Keep your hand on the wound _____ the nurse asks you to take it off.
4. Only use the apples _____ they are in date.

Write two sentences of your own using a conjunction.

Conjunctions can also come at the start of the sentence. That makes all of these clauses fronted adverbials.

For each sentence add in the best conjunction:

5. _____ the hob is in a low heat, you can leave the carrots to cook.
6. _____ you put the lego bricks together, check they are the right colour.
7. _____ the kettle has boiled, pour the water into a cup.
8. _____ you have gathered all the equipment, start building the model.

**Maths
Mission:**
30 minutes

We have decided it would be a good idea to explicitly set some times tables practice every day to help keep us sharp! You could have your own mini-test at the end of week, and send me the results if you like! As a reminder, there are plenty of online games to help practise these as well (e.g. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>).

Today's times table is the **5 times table**.

This week's challenges are after the timetable.

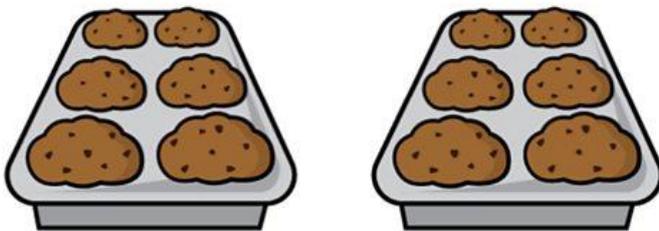
Topic
Mission:
Day 5

Pollution in our oceans – particularly plastic pollution – is a big problem. Can you design a poster to tell others what a big problem it is? You can remind yourself of some of the information about plastic pollution from yesterday’s reading mission. Here are some examples of posters:



Challenge 1

Eric bakes these two trays of muffins.



He eats 2 muffins.

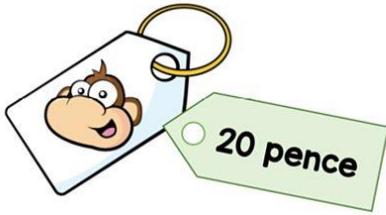
His dad eats 3 muffins.

His sister eats 4 muffins.

How many muffins does he have left?

Challenge 2

Lola buys this key ring.



Her mum gives a quarter of the money.

She pays for the rest herself.

How much does she pay herself?

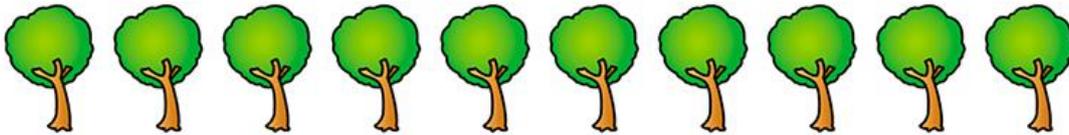
Challenge 3



How old is the teacher? Remember: multiple means it is in that number's times table.

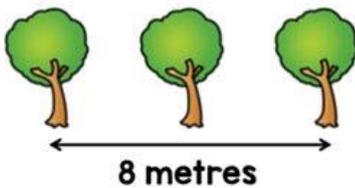
Challenge 4

Ten trees are planted in a row.



The trees are spaced out equally.

The distance between the fourth and sixth tree is 8 metres.



What is the distance between the first and last tree?

Challenge 5

Filip has these five digit cards.



He uses all of the cards to make a three-digit number and a two-digit number.

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He multiplies the two numbers together and the answer is 15,741 .

What are the two numbers Filip makes?