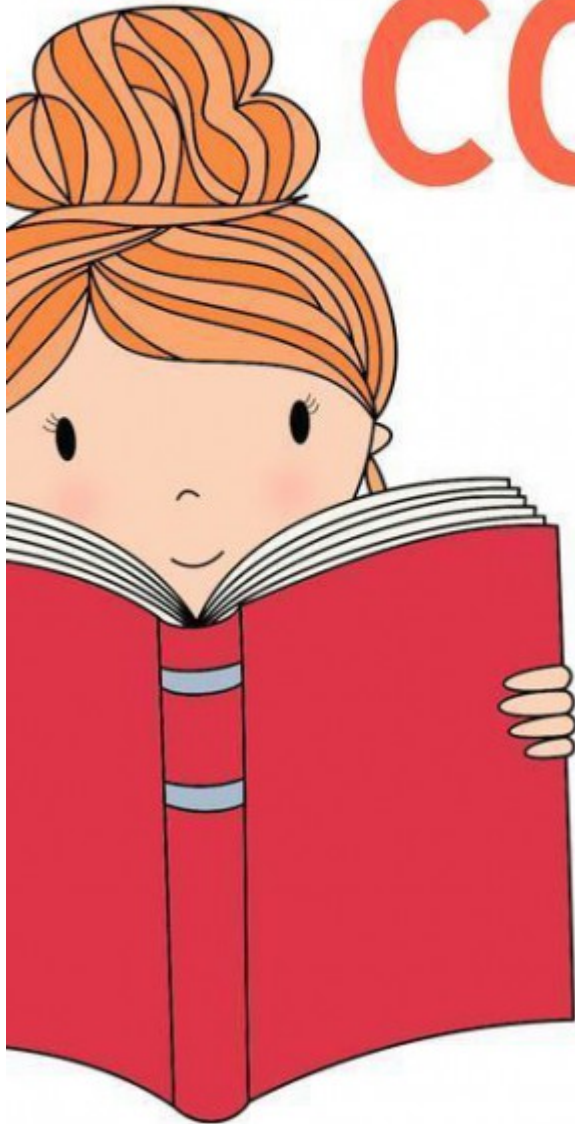


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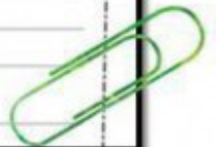
Bamboo

Directions: Read the following passage, define the words below using context clues, and explain.

Bamboo is one of the fastest growing plants in the world. It can grow as fast as four centimeters per hour and can become massive in height. It is commonly found in Asia, and is the foremost source of food for panda bears. Bamboo can also be cut down and used to make bridges and houses. If you are the recipient of a gift made of bamboo, the gift giver is probably your friend, since bamboo is a symbol of friendship in some cultures.



massive: _____
explain how you know: _____
foremost: _____




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Butterflies

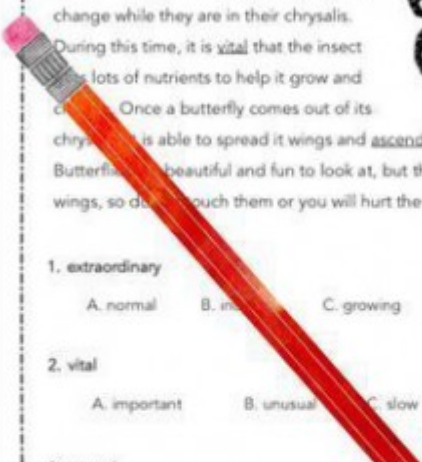
Directions: Read the following passage and then match the underlined words with the definition.

Butterflies are insects with interesting life cycles. They undergo an extraordinary change while they are in their chrysalis. During this time, it is vital that the insect gets lots of nutrients to help it grow and develop. Once a butterfly comes out of its chrysalis, it is able to spread its wings and ascend into the sky. Butterflies are beautiful and fun to look at, but they have sensitive wings, so don't touch them or you will hurt the butterfly.



1. extraordinary
A. normal B. important C. growing D. amazing

2. vital
A. important B. unusual C. slow D. hungry




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Carrie's Mistake

Directions: Read the following passage and then match the underlined words with the definition.

Carrie gasped as she realized that she had just knocked over her grandmother's favorite crystal vase. It lay shattered on the floor in hundreds of pieces. This was an absolute catastrophe, she thought. The vase was so valuable and expensive that she did not think her grandmother would have any compassion for her accident. It didn't help that Carrie had violated the rules by going into the parlor that was off-limits. She started to sweat in anticipation of what would happen when her grandmother found out.



1. catastrophe