

Monday Reading Challenge

Gary's Big Adventure

11 Gary knew that he needed to find a vantage – a place
22 which would give him a good view of the entire rainforest.
34 Without that, a tiny frog like him would never be able to
45 find them. But where could he go? He was surrounded by
54 acres of thick, dense vegetation. No cliffs. No waterfalls.
65 Suddenly, he had an idea. He stretched out his toes as
75 wide as they would go and jumped towards the nearest
84 tree trunk. Clinging on, he climbed higher and higher
94 until he finally reached the canopy. He stood atop the
101 wide-reaching fronds, looking towards the horizon in
111 search of two tiny, blue specks, which looked just like
122 him. Just as he had given up hope, an auburn orangutan
132 swung by, carrying two sticky, blue lumps on her back...



Quick Questions



1. Which two tall, natural features was Gary unable to go to?



2. '*Gary knew that he needed to find a vantage...*' What do you think vantage means in this sentence?



3. Who do you think Gary is looking for? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.



4. What do you think Gary will do next?

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How the Kangaroos Got Their Tails

11 A long, long time ago, two kangaroos lived in the country
20 now known as Australia. The large, brown kangaroo was
30 from the plains and the smaller, grey kangaroo was from
41 the hills. One day, the grey kangaroo really wanted to eat
53 some wild bush honey, so he followed a swarm of bees to
65 their hive in the hole of a rock. The grey kangaroo reached
76 inside and pulled out a handful of gooey honey. It was
85 delicious and now the big, brown kangaroo also wanted
95 some for himself. The grey kangaroo told him to reach
108 his arm right into the back of the hole to get the tastiest
113 honey. The brown kangaroo did
121 this but all he pulled out was a
126 handful of spiders. He had
128 been tricked!



Quick Questions



1. How do you think the grey kangaroo was feeling when he followed the bees?



2. Which was the largest kangaroo?



3. Find and copy the word that means the same as the adjective 'sticky'.



4. Number these facts from 1 to 3 to show the order they appear in the text.

- The brown kangaroo pulled out a handful of spiders.
- The grey kangaroo followed the bees.
- The grey kangaroo ate some wild bush honey.