

Uncle Ben

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8

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Fiction / Essay

Word Count

127 Words

Story at a Glance

Uncle Ben is a scarecrow. He scares crows with his colorful patched jacket, sweater with holes, hat missing the top, pants missing one leg, and flapping arms.

Activity Ideas

After reading the story, *Uncle Ben*, let's learn the new words in the story. And, dig deeper into the story!



Key Words

scarecrow

a large doll used to scare away crows

scare

to make afraid

crow

a black bird that eats the vegetables on a farm

guess

to think about

patch

a piece of cloth used to cover a hole or rip

colorful

with many different colors

sweater

a warm knitted shirt

missing

not to be found

horrible

very unpleasant or bad

Words Use

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

01 _____ how to make this cake.

- ① Colorful
- ② Guess
- ③ Scarecrow

02 Uncle Ben is not real because he is a _____.

- ① scarecrow
- ② hole
- ③ horrible

03 Put _____ patches on the holes.

- ① colorful
- ② sweater
- ③ flap

04 The bird's wings are _____ up and down.

- ① scaring
- ② missing
- ③ flapping

05 Uncle Ben's sweater has many _____ in it.

- ① flaps
- ② holes
- ③ scarecrows

Words Building

After reading *Uncle Ben*, write the meaning of each word in your own words.

scarecrow

scare

crow

guess

patch

colorful

sweater

missing

Grammar

Choose the correct pronoun for the underlined part.

<Sample>

Uncle Ben (was is) a scarecrow.

- 01 They (are is) flapping up and down all day.
- 02 Uncle Ben (has had) a nice jacket, but it has many patches on it.
- 03 These arms (scares scare) crows the most!
- 04 It (made makes) Uncle Been look more horrible.
- 05 These colorful patches (scared scare) crows.

Understanding #1

Select 'True' if the statement is correct and 'False' if the statement is not correct. If you choose 'False' as an answer, think about what the right answer is.

- 01 Uncle Ben has a nice jacket. T / F
- 02 His sweater is colorful. T / F
- 03 Uncle Ben's legs flap up and down all day. T / F
- 04 Uncle Ben is a scarecrow. T / F

Understanding #2

- 01 What is the main idea of the story?
 - ① Uncle Ben comes to visit me.
 - ② Uncle Ben is a clown.
 - ③ Uncle Ben is a scarecrow and looks horrible.
- 02 Uncle Ben's pants are missing a leg, and _____.
 - ① it makes Uncle Ben look horrible
 - ② it makes Uncle Ben look beautiful
 - ③ it makes Uncle Ben angry
 - ④ it makes Uncle Ben sad
- 03 Uncle Ben has long arms, so they _____.
 - ① invite crows to come play
 - ② play the violin beautifully
 - ③ made Uncle Ben look horrible
 - ④ flap up and down all day
- 04 Uncle Ben has big eyes, but he has no _____.
 - ① lips
 - ② ears
 - ③ hair
 - ④ fingers

Understanding #3

Read the passage below and choose the matching picture.

Uncle Ben has a nice hat, but the top part is missing.
It makes Uncle Ben look horrible.

①



②



③



④



Read the passage below and choose the matching picture.

Uncle Ben has big eyes, but he has no ears.
It makes Uncle Ben look even more horrible.

①



②



③



④



Coloring Sheet

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Speaking Fluency

Speak about the picture out loud.



Uncle Ben has _____,

and they _____.

These arms _____ the most!

Critical Thinking

Think about the questions and express your ideas or opinions about them.

- 01** Uncle Ben has long arms, and they flap up and down all day. These arms scare crows the most!
- 02** Why do you think a scarecrow scares crows in the field?
- 03** What do you think the most horrible thing about Uncle Ben is?

Writing

Write about the story on a separate piece of paper.

Title

Author



Can this story happen in real life?

Yes

No



This story is about

(a little boy and a dog, a scarecrow, an old tree, etc.)

Draw a picture about the story and write a sentence or two about the picture.

Making Your Own Story

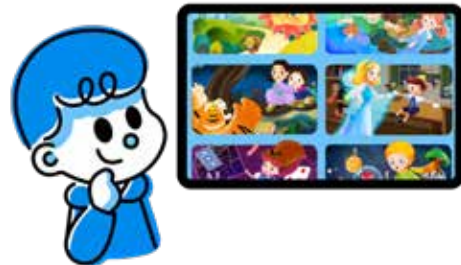


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Become a main character in the storybook



① Make your own face character in StorySelf.



② Choose *Uncle Ben* story.



③ Choose your face character.



④ Enter the story and become the main character of the story.

Make your own voice storybook



① Enter the story, *Uncle Ben*.



② Press the subtitle.



③ Record your voice for the subtitle.



④ Enjoy your voice in the storybook.

Answer Sheet

Words Use

- 1 - ②
- 2 - ①
- 3 - ①
- 4 - ③
- 5 - ②

Grammar

- 1 - are
- 2 - has
- 3 - scare
- 4 - makes
- 5 - scare

Understanding #1

- 1 - T
- 2 - F
- 3 - F
- 4 - T

Understanding #2

- 1 - ③
- 2 - ①
- 3 - ④
- 4 - ②

Understanding #3

- Top - ②
- Bottom - ③

Speaking Fluency

Uncle Ben has long arms, and they flap up and down all day.
These arms scare crows the most!

Critical Thinking

Possible Answer

1. A scarecrow in a field usually looks like a real person but is made out of straw. It is dressed with a hat, a shirt, and pants, all torn.
2. A scarecrow scares crows in the field because it looks like a man that may attack the birds if they come near the crops.
3. The most horrible thing about Uncle Ben is the way his arms flap up and down all day like a real person moving.