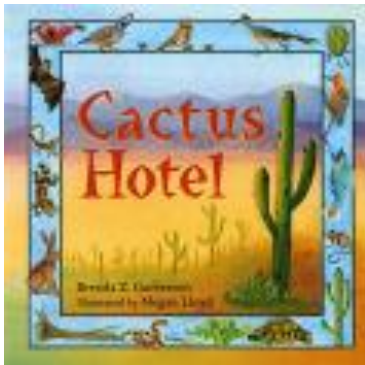


Summer Reading for those entering Second Grade

Summer is a great time to do some reading. This year, every child will be required to read two stories "**Cactus Hotel**" by Brenda Z. Guiberson and "**Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia**" by Peggy Parish. The stories can be read independently or with help from a parent or older sibling.

You are to use the questions on each reading roadmap to help you think about what you have read. You do not need to answer these now. We will discuss and do activities related to these stories when we return to school in September.

Have a great summer and Happy Reading!



Help the owl find a home in the desert.



Start here.

Cactus Hotel

by Brenda Z. Guiberson

Read pages 1-3.
What happened to the cactus fruit seeds? How did a seed get to the paloverde tree?



Read pages 4-7.
How does the paloverde tree protect the seedling?

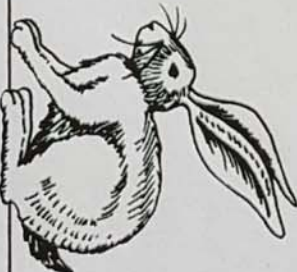
Read pages 8-11.
What desert animals get food from the saguaro cactus?



Read pages 16-19.
Why is the cactus hotel a good place for birds to live?



Read pages 12-15.
How does the woodpecker make its nest in the cactus?



Read pages 20-21.
What happens to the cactus every spring?



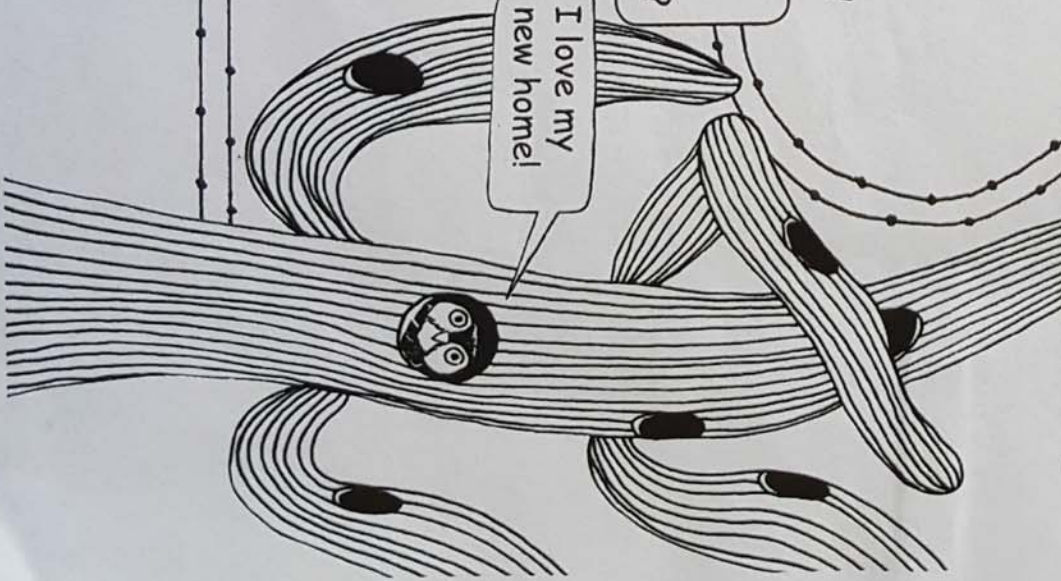
Read pages 22-25.
Name some animals that live in the fallen cactus.



Read the rest of the story. Why do you think cactus hotels are important to the desert habitat?



I love my new home!



Help me get home from the baseball game.



Start here.

Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia

by Peggy Parish



Read pages 5-13.
What does "gloomy faces" mean? Why did the players have gloomy faces?

Read pages 14-19.
Why do you think Amelia Bedelia put on the uniform?



Read pages 20-29.
What two things was Amelia Bedelia confused about on these pages?



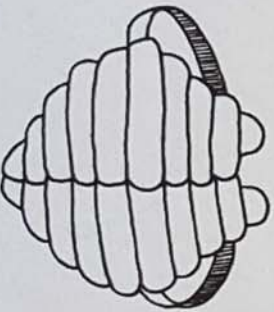
Read pages 30-39.
Why did Amelia Bedelia pick up second base?



Read pages 40-45.
What did Amelia Bedelia do that made the Tornados angry?



Read pages 46-51.
Why were the Grizzlies worried about Amelia Bedelia going to bat?



Read pages 52-55.
Why did Amelia Bedelia scoop up all the bases? Why did she run all the way home?



Read the rest of the story. What did Amelia Bedelia do with home plate? Why?

Home is where the cookies are! Mmm!

