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# Remembering Details

## Comprehension Activities



■ Challenge Readers: 300 - 600 Total Words

# Great Migrations

# 1. Painted Ladies: The Migration of Summer Colour

## C. Recalling Information to Remember

What are three interesting facts that you would like to remember about the migration of Painted Ladies butterflies?

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# D. Comprehension Check Page

## What do you remember?

1. Tick all the statements that are true:
  - a. Painted Ladies migrate from North Africa to Britain.
  - b. Painted Ladies are the only butterflies in Britain.
  - c. Painted Ladies have dark blue, crumpled wings.
  - d. Painted Ladies migrate over 2,000 kilometres.
  - e. Chitin in the wings of Painted Ladies is used for make-up.
  
2. Why do the butterflies migrate to Britain?
  
3. What do Painted Lady butterflies do in summer in Britain?
  
4. Complete this sequence:
  1. A Painted Lady butterfly lays an egg.
  2. The egg hatches into a \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. The \_\_\_\_\_ grows and after two weeks it \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. After another two weeks \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. Finally \_\_\_\_\_.
  
5. What happens to Painted Lady butterflies at the end of summer?

## 2. The Great Migrating Herds of the African Savannah

## C. Recalling Information to Remember

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What are three interesting facts that you would like to remember about the animals that migrate across the savannah in Africa?

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## What do you remember?

1. The animals of the savannah migrate thousands of kilometres in search of:
  - a. Elephants.
  - b. A quiet place to have their babies.
  - c. A place to cultivate the savannah.
  - d. Nutritious grasses.
  - e. Rain.
  
2. 'Grazing' is a word that means: (tick all the correct answers)
  - a. Getting a hair cut.
  - b. A scratching noise.
  - c. Eating grass.
  - d. Eating snacks throughout the day.
  - e. Falling over and taking skin off your knees.
  
3. The migration route of the antelopes, zebras and wildebeests is described as 'an endless cycle of migration' because...
  
4. What tells the animals that it is time to start their migration?
  
5. Describe at least two ways that the animals help to keep the plants of the savannah healthy.

## 3. Swanfall



## C. Recalling Information to Remember

What are three interesting facts that you would like to remember about swanfall and the migration of swans?

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## What do you remember?

1. Tick the correct statements:
  - a. Swans fly to the UK from the Arctic.
  - b. Swans fly to Africa where it is warm.
  - c. Swans fly at night.
  - d. Swans need to migrate to find food in winter.
  - e. Swans often get lost as they migrate.
  
2. Complete the sentence: 'Swanfall' is the word that describes...
  
3. What do swans use to help them know where to fly to?
  
4. Flying together in a flock helps swans in two ways. Tick the two ways from the list below:
  - a. Old swans can teach young ones where to go.
  - b. They like to be with their friends.
  - c. They can take turns at being in the front of a 'V-formation' and at the back where it is easier to fly.
  - d. They can see landmarks along the way.
  - e. They can stop for food.

## 4. Eels: The Great Migration to the Sargasso Sea

## C. Recalling Information to Remember

What are three interesting facts that you would like to remember about the migration of eels?

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# D. Comprehension Check Page

## What do you remember?

1. Tick the correct statements:
  - a. Eels live in the ocean all year round.
  - b. Eels migrate across the Atlantic Ocean.
  - c. Eels migrate to escape being caught.
  - d. Eels lay their eggs and die in the Sargasso Sea.
  - e. About 10 eels gather in the Sargasso Sea every year.
  
2. How do eels sense that it is time to begin their migration?
  
3. Eels have to adapt into fish that can swim in salty seawater. Tick all the ways that their bodies change so that they can swim in saltwater:
  - a. They grow fins and long tails.
  - b. Their eyes become much bigger.
  - c. They coat themselves with slime.
  - d. They change colour from brown to silver.
  - e. Their gut shrinks.
  
4. What do eels eat on their long migration across the Atlantic Ocean?
  
5. What helps the eels swim across 5,000 kilometres of the Atlantic Ocean? Choose the best answer from the list:
  - The wind.
  - Being thin and shiny.

# 5. The Humpback Whale Migration

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What are three interesting facts that you would like to remember about the humpback whale migration?

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## What do you remember?

1. Tick the correct statements:
  - a. Whales migrate to Mexico from Alaska every year.
  - b. Baby whales are born with lots of blubber.
  - c. Humpback whales eat sharks and tuna.
  - d. Humpback whales migrate to warmer waters to have their calves.
  - e. Humpback whales have an extraordinary ability to swim in straight lines.
  
2. What is magnetite?
  
3. Why are baby whales born in the warm waters off the coast of Mexico?
  
4. How do 'months of feasting' help whales on their migration?
  
5. When do humpback whales return to the cold Arctic waters?