



# guided reading cards

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## Level 19 Cards

### My Best Friend

1. The boy's best friend is Hemi.
2. Answers may vary. (The children sing when Hemi plays his ukulele because Hemi is a great singer.)
3. Hemi is good at reading because he knows lots of words and he reads so much.
4. Hemi wants to be a writer when he grows up because he likes to write stories.
5. Hemi and his brothers play basketball in their big backyard.
6. Answers may vary. (He loves sport and is good at ball games.)
7. Hemi's family has four pets.
8. Answers may vary. (Hemi goes with his parents when they take their dog for a run because he loves animals.)

### Sports Day

1. The school sports day was held last Friday.
2. Answers may vary. (because they help you to run faster; because you get tired less easily)
3. Answers may vary. (The boy felt proud because he had tried his hardest.)
4. Answers may vary. (Amy sprinted fast before she jumped because moving faster means your body will travel further when you jump.)
5. The boy didn't do very well because the girl and boy who won were bigger and stronger.
6. Jack was good at leaping over the high jump bar because he is tall and has really long legs.
7. Answers may vary. (because Jack is the boy's friend; because Jack is very good at high jump)
8. Answers may vary. (The boy's parents came to the school sports day because they were proud of him and wanted to watch him compete.)

### Rock Art at Ubirr

1. The family was at Ubirr because they were on holiday in the north of Australia.
2. Ubirr is in Kakadu National Park.
3. Answers may vary. (The Aboriginal rock art was wonderful because it was so old and had such interesting stories.)
4. Jim was the family's guide at Ubirr.
5. Answers may vary. (Many Aboriginal people made their home next to the rock because the rock had lots of important stories painted on it.)
6. The Rainbow Serpent helped to make the world. She appeared to the Aboriginal people in the form of a woman, and painted herself as a snake.
7. Answers may vary. (The Aboriginal people used paintings to tell stories because it meant that the stories could be shared by lots of people over a long time.)
8. Answers may vary. (Jim took the family to the top of the rock to see the beautiful view.)

### The Vanilla Festival

1. The vanilla festival is held every year.
2. Vanilla is put into food because it is sweet and makes the food taste very good.
3. Answers may vary.
4. Answers may vary. (The vanilla festival is held when it is sunny and warm because the vanilla beans are ready in summer.)
5. Answers may vary. (Farms are near the town where the festival is held.)
6. Answers may vary. (because they are very sweet)
7. The dancers are safe when they spin around because they have strong ropes attaching them to the pole.
8. The dance is exciting because it looks dangerous and difficult.

### Visiting a Big City

1. People should arrive early when they go to a city zoo because there can be lines of people waiting for the zoo to open.
2. Answers may vary. (City zoos have so many animals because the zoo is so big.)
3. Giant pandas come from China.
4. Answers may vary. (Lots of people can fit in a big hall; some people think the music sounds better.)
5. Answers may vary. (It's better to watch your team play live in a sports stadium because it's very exciting to be part of the crowd.)
6. Answers may vary. (It is easy to travel from one place to another in a city because there are lots of different kinds of transport.)
7. Answers may vary.
8. A big city is a busy place because lots of people live and work there.



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## The Lucky Seat

1. Lucas and his dad were at the stadium to watch a basketball game.
2. Just before the game started, two big men sat in front of Lucas and Dad, and Lucas wasn't able to see the game.
3. The crowd roared because everyone was excited for the game to start.
4. At quarter-time, Lucas spotted his cousin Emily.
5. Dad called Uncle Ben to see if he would swap seats with Lucas, so Lucas could see the game.
6. Lucas could see the game when he was in Uncle Ben's seat because there were no tall people in front of him any more.
7. Lucas had the lucky-seat ticket.
8. The crowd cheered because the Eagles had won.

## Moonlight's New Shoes

1. Moonlight needed new shoes to protect her hooves on the trail.
2. The shoes were just the right size to fit Moonlight's hooves.
3. Dad patted Moonlight and spoke softly to her to keep her calm.
4. The girls sat up on the rails to watch.
5. Dad lifted Moonlight's leg carefully so that he didn't hurt her.
6. Dad used a wire brush to clean the dirt off Moonlight's hoof.
7. The horseshoes were held in place with nails.
8. Dad watched Moonlight walking on the grass to check that her shoes fitted her properly.

## Night Noises

1. The family lived in the city.
2. Tom and Hailey were excited because they were going camping in the country.
3. Answers may vary. (Dad said it was silent because they were away from the noisy cars in the city.)
4. Answers may vary. (The noise from the mosquito and frogs upset Mum and Dad because it was no longer silent.)
5. Answers may vary. (because they were interesting and different from the city sounds; because it was like sleeping outside)
6. Dad was annoyed in the early morning because he hadn't got any sleep.
7. A tractor made the loud *vroom, vroom* sound.
8. Mum and Dad went to sleep at last because the sound of the tractor was similar to the sounds they were used to in the city.

## Millie

1. Millie's parents were upset because the doctors told them Millie might never be able to stand or walk by herself.
2. Millie kept falling over because her legs were not strong enough to hold her up.
3. Millie had a party because she was finally able to walk with her crutches.
4. Millie stays indoors on very cold, windy days so she doesn't catch a cold.
5. Millie is a good reader because she reads lots of books when she has to stay in bed.
6. Answers may vary. (because she is young; because some doctors are trained in different things)
7. Answers may vary. (Millie always tries hard because she wants to do things that other children do.)
8. Everyone loves Millie because she laughs and smiles and says kind things, even if she is not feeling well.

## What a Catch!

1. Dylan didn't catch anything when he went fishing with his grandad.
2. Answers may vary. (Mum wanted Dylan to have another try at fishing so he could do better than last year.)
3. Dylan and Mum had to hire fishing rods because they didn't have any with them.
4. Dylan was grumpy because he hadn't caught any fish.
5. The little boy's father told him to be careful because he was running near water.
6. The boat drifted out into the lake because the little boy let go of the string.
7. Dylan caught the boat with his fishing rod.
8. Answers may vary. (because he finally caught something; because the little boy and his father were glad that Dylan had caught the boat)



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### Snow Machines

1. Answers may vary. (It is not safe for cars to travel on roads covered in deep snow because they might get stuck in the snow or slip on the ice and crash.)
2. Snow ploughs have big tyres so they can drive through the snow to clear the roads without getting stuck.
3. Snow mobiles look like motorbikes.
4. Answers may vary. (Snow mobiles have skis so they can move more quickly on the snow and ice without getting stuck.)
5. Answers may vary. (The metal tracks on a snow cat grip the snow because of the deep grooves in the tracks.)
6. Big snow cats are used as buses because they are safe to drive on the snow and can carry many people at one time.
7. Answers may vary. (in case something dangerous is hidden in the snow on the tracks; so the train driver can see where he or she is going)
8. Many people own snow throwers so they can move snow from their driveway and paths.

### Little Buffalo Hunter

1. It was an exciting day for the village because a big herd of buffalo was nearby.
2. The boy, his friend Achak and their fathers jumped into the river at sunrise.
3. They gulped down their breakfast because they were cold from the river, and the stew was hot and delicious.
4. The boy helped his father by bringing him his favourite horse.
5. The boys made a buffalo shape to practise hunting with their bows and arrows.
6. The people danced and sang in celebration because the hunters had caught many buffalo.
7. Answers may vary.
8. The boy was excited for his father to call him 'Little Buffalo Hunter'.

### Schools on the Goldfields

1. Gold was found in Australia, New Zealand and the United States about 150 years ago.
2. It was called a gold rush because thousands of people from all over the world went looking for gold at the same time.
3. There were towns on the goldfields so all the gold miners and their families had somewhere to live.
4. Answers may vary. (The first schools on the goldfields were held in tents because school buildings hadn't been built yet.)
5. Answers may vary. (The teacher stood at the front of the classroom so she or he could write on the blackboard and see all the students at once.)
6. The children wrote and drew on slates using slate pencils made of soft stone. They also wrote with ink in their workbooks.
7. Answers may vary. (The children had to be quiet in class so everyone could do their work.)
8. Many children didn't have time to play after school because they had to help their parents by doing jobs.

### Trapped!

1. Nico was worried because it sounded like a parrot was in trouble.
2. Dad told Nico not to get too close to the trapped bird because it might peck or scratch him.
3. Answers may vary. (The bird's screeching got louder as it got more scared.)
4. Some of the bird's small feathers were pulled out by the net as the parrot tried to get free.
5. The net was up in the forest because the ranger needed to catch some birds to check them.
6. The ranger wore long, thick gloves so the parrot wouldn't scratch his skin.
7. Each band has a special number on it so that the ranger can tell the parrots apart.
8. Answers may vary. (The ranger used a net because a wooden trap might hurt the bird.)

### How to Make and Play Castanets

1. Castanets are musical instruments that you play with your hands.
2. The girl used a small plate to trace a circle onto the card.
3. The girl pressed along the fold in the card to help keep it closed.
4. The girl cut the card to make the castanet smaller so it would fit in her hand.
5. Answers may vary. (The fold in the card has to be made stronger because playing the castanets might make the fold weaker and the card might tear.)
6. Answers may vary. (The girl painted each side of the card a different colour so that she could remember the inside and the outside of the card.)
7. The girl's fingers were placed on top of the castanets, and her thumbs were on the bottom.
8. Answers may vary. (The girl made a castanet for each hand so that she can play two at once.)



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#### Sunhats for Everyone

1. A sunhat should be worn when working or playing outdoors.
2. A hat with a wide brim is better because it shades more of your face and neck from the sun.
3. Some people wear a sunhat with a long flap because the flap keeps their ears and the back of their neck from getting burned.
4. People who wear a straw hat should be careful because straw doesn't block out all the sun's rays.
5. People know that their eyes have been sunburned when their eyes feel sore and look red.
6. Answers may vary. (in the shadow of something; under a tree)
7. Answers may vary. (The hottest part of the day is the late afternoon, but there is the most sun at midday.)
8. Sun safety is important because your skin and eyes can be damaged by the sun.

#### Animals of the World

1. A lemur would use its feet and long toes to grip the trees it lives in.
2. A lemur moves through the trees by hanging from branches with its tail.
3. A chameleon changes its colours to camouflage itself.
4. A chameleon catches insects when they get stuck to its tongue.
5. A giraffe can eat leaves from tall trees because it has a long neck and long legs.
6. The herd watches the young giraffe playing to make sure it is safe.
7. Walruses bellow, snort and grunt.
8. It is difficult for a walrus to get back onto the icy shelf because its body is big and heavy.

#### The Frilled Lizard

1. The frilled lizard lives in tropical forests in northern Australia, and in southern parts of New Guinea.
2. Answers may vary. (The frilled lizard lives in hot places because it needs to be able to warm itself in the sun.)
3. The frilled lizard is named because of the large flap of skin around its neck and under its throat.
4. If the frilled lizard is frightened by a predator, it will open its mouth wide and hiss loudly, then suddenly spread the flap of skin around its neck into a huge orange-and-red frill.
5. Answers may vary. (Predators are scared of the frilled lizard when its frill is wide open because it makes the frilled lizard look much larger.)
6. The frilled lizard escapes to the nearest tree because it can move quickly from branch to branch.
7. The frilled lizard sits very still when danger is nearby so that the predator will not notice it.
8. Answers may vary. (Owls and eagles are predators of the frilled lizard because they have good eyesight and so are able to spot it.)

#### Gardening with Dad

1. Answers may vary. (Spring is the best time for planting seeds because the weather is not too hot but not too cold.)
2. The girl and her dad had to get the soil ready so the plants would grow better.
3. The girl put the weeds and the dead plants on the compost pile.
4. Humus is made from dead plants and animals.
5. Water doesn't stay in sandy soil because the grains are too fine to hold water.
6. Answers may vary. (Worms help the soil by eating it.)
7. Plants grow well in damp soil because water in the soil soaks into the roots.
8. Dad will put stakes next to each plant so that they can grow.

#### Making Masks for a Parade

1. The card for the face is folded before the face is drawn so you know where the middle of the mask is going to be.
2. Tape is put on the card before the holes are made to strengthen the card so it doesn't tear.
3. String is used on the mask to tie it onto your head.
4. Answers may vary. (big; sharp; look like fangs)
5. Answers may vary. (wool; ribbons; string; cotton wool)
6. No, the masks would not look the same, because every child would decorate their mask differently.
7. The bird's beak on the mask is shaped like two triangles.
8. The bird mask is decorated with feathers to make it look like a bird.