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COMPREHENSION

Read the comprehension passage given below and answer the following questions.

Tuttle the Turtle

Tuttle was snug inside his leathery egg. It was completely dark but he didn't care because he was warm and safe in a nest in the sand. His mother had left Tuttle and his brothers and sisters hidden inside the nest. When she knew her eggs were safe she returned to her place in the ocean. Tuttle and his family were sea turtles.

One day something inside Tuttle told him he was getting too big for his egg. It was time for Tuttle to hatch. It was time for all the baby turtles in the nest to hatch. It is safer to hatch and leave the nest at night. Many predators find baby turtles to be a tasty meal. Birds and mammals will eat baby turtles.



Meanwhile Tuttle worked hard to break open his egg shell. Birds have a brittle egg shell but turtles have a soft shell that is hard to open. It took some time for Tuttle to open his egg using his tooth but he worked hard and finally left his shell behind.

But remember, Tuttle’s mother had left her eggs buried about twenty inches deep in the sand. Tuttle and the other baby turtles had to dig their way out of the nest but one by one they emerged from the sand.

Tuttle didn’t have time to look around at the beach. Tuttle didn’t care about the sky or the stars. Instinct told him that his home was in the ocean. Tiny Tuttle wasn’t afraid of the big ocean waves that landed on the beach. He ran to the ocean as fast as he could along with dozens of his brothers and sisters who had just hatched too.

Tuttle already knew how to swim and how to hold his breath under water. He knew how to breathe while he was under the water too. Tuttle used his small flippers to swim out into the vast unknown ocean. Tuttle would never come back to land again but his sisters will someday lay their eggs on a sandy beach.



Answer the following questions.

1. Find a word from the passage that is opposite to each of the following words.
 - a) Tiny
 - b) Unsafe
2. Find a word from the passage for each of the following meanings.
 - a) Comfortable, warm and cosy
 - b) hard but could break easily
3. Underline the adjective and mention the noun or pronoun being described by the adjective.
 - a) Turtles have a soft shell.
 - b) Many predators find baby turtles to be a tasty meal.
 - c) Tiny Tuttle was afraid of the big ocean.
4. Rewrite the sentence by adding an adjective to describe the underlined noun.

- a) Tuttle and his family were sea turtles.
5. Underline the adverbs in the following sentences and state what kind of adverbs they are.
- a) He was getting too big for his egg.
- b) It was completely dark.
6. Punctuate the following sentences.
- a) A turtles shell is soft and hard to open
- b) Birds have a brittle egg shell
7. Fill in the blank with suitable articles wherever necessary.
- a) Tuttle is ____ turtle.
- b) Tuttle had ____dozens of brothers and sisters.
8. State true or false.
- a) Turtles have brittle shells.
- b) Many predators find baby turtles to be a tasty meal.
- c) Tiny Tuttle was afraid of the ocean.
9. Why is it safer to hatch and leave the nest at night?
- 10.What did Tuttle do after he emerged from the sand?
- 11.Why did Tuttle have to work hard to break open his shell?