Turtle Story Map

Summarize each section and make a picture in your mind.

2.P.EICC.3.d "Summarize and visualize sections of the text to maintain understanding. (I)"

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1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one sentence in each paragraph that tells the most important idea. Next to each paragraph, draw a tiny symbol that helps you picture what happens.

A Turtle's Journey

1. On a warm summer night, baby sea turtles hatch beneath the sand. They use their flippers to climb up together. When they reach the beach, moonlight shining on the water helps guide them toward the ocean.

2. In the water, the hatchlings swim away from the shore. Near the surface, they may find floating seaweed. The seaweed gives them a place to hide from some hungry fish while they grow stronger.

3. Years later, a grown female may return to a beach near where she hatched. She digs a hole in the sand and lays eggs. Then she covers the nest and goes back to the sea.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Write a short summary of paragraph 1. Tell what happens first and where the turtles go.

2. What could you draw to show paragraph 2? Name two details your drawing would include.

3. Write a short summary of paragraph 3.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Make a three-box picture map of the whole passage. In each box, draw the setting and action from one paragraph, then write a caption with 5 to 8 words.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline one sentence in each paragraph that tells the most important idea. Next to each paragraph, draw a tiny symbol that helps you picture what happens. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Write a short summary of paragraph 1. Tell what happens first and where the turtles go.	**Baby sea turtles hatch under the sand, climb out, and head toward the ocean.**
2	What could you draw to show paragraph 2? Name two details your drawing would include.	**A drawing could show hatchlings swimming near floating seaweed and hiding from hungry fish.**
3	Write a short summary of paragraph 3.	**A grown female turtle returns near her hatching beach, lays eggs in a sandy hole, covers the nest, and returns to the sea.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Box 1: Draw hatchlings climbing from sand toward waves. Caption: “Hatchlings climb from sand toward the ocean.” Box 2: Draw hatchlings near floating seaweed and fish. Caption: “Seaweed hides hatchlings from hungry fish.” Box 3: Draw a female turtle covering a nest. Caption: “A female covers her nest in sand.”

Accept short summaries that include the main action from the correct paragraph. For the picture map, accept drawings and 5 to 8 word captions that accurately show the sequence of hatching, hiding in seaweed, and nesting.