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A Sweet Friendship



Read and Check ✓

- Have you ever seen an ant and a caterpillar together?
 Yes No

- How do you think ants and caterpillars help each other?
 sharing a home sharing water cleaning each other
 traveling together sharing food protecting each other

New Words

A Listen and repeat.



1 friendship *n.*



2 nectar *n.*



3 similar *adj.*



4 insects *pl. n.*



5 attack *v.*



6 protect *v.*

B Look and write. Use the words from A.



1 Tara is my best friend. We have a great _____!



2 There are three _____ on the leaf.



3 I always wear helmet to _____ my head.

C Circle the correct answers.



1 Nectar | Insect is a sugary water.



2 Our shoes are sugary | similar, but mine are pink and yours are red.



3 The angry dog increases | attacks the man.

A Sweet Friendship



Being friends with someone different is not easy.
But ants and caterpillars have a sweet **friendship**.
They help each other.

Caterpillars make a **nectar** that ants love.
Ants make a **similar** nectar themselves.
Because of this, ants think
caterpillars are like ants.



Think and Share

What is something difficult?

baking a cake

getting good grades

Being friends with someone different
is not easy.



When **insects** **attack**, the ants **protect** their friends.
Ants protect caterpillars from other insects.

Caterpillars call for help.

They do this by shaking leaves.

When the ants feel the leaves shake, they run to help.

Their special way of helping each other makes
caterpillars and ants friends for life.



Reading Time





91 words

m



s

Comprehension

A Choose the best answers.

-  **1** **Main Idea** What is the passage about?
- a. how caterpillars make nectar
 - b. how ants attack
 - c. how ants and caterpillars help each other
-  **2** **Detail** Caterpillars and ants both make a similar _____.
- a. friendship
 - b. leaf
 - c. nectar
-  **3** **Detail** Ants think caterpillars are like _____.
- a. leaves
 - b. ants
 - c. insects
-  **4** **Detail** How do caterpillars call for help?
- a. by shaking leaves
 - b. by singing
 - c. by making nectar

B Circle True or False.

-  **1** Ants and caterpillars are friends. True False
-  **2** Ants protect caterpillars from other insects. True False

C Complete the sentences. Two choices will NOT be used.

special

insect

similar

friendship

-  **1** An ant is a(n) _____.
-  **2** Ants and caterpillars have a _____ way of helping each other.

Graphic Organizer



Main Idea and Details Complete the graphic organizer.



shaking

nectar

caterpillars

sweet

protect

Main Idea

Ants and caterpillars are different but have a ¹ _____ friendship.

Ants

- think ² _____ are like themselves
- ³ _____ caterpillars from other insects

Caterpillars

- make a ⁴ _____ that ants love
- call for help by ⁵ _____ leaves

Quick Summary



Complete the answers.



1 What do ants do when insects attack caterpillars?

When insects attack caterpillars, ants _____.



2 Why do caterpillars shake leaves?

Because _____.



3 Why are ants and caterpillars friends for life?

Because _____.

- they need help
- they have a special way of helping each other
- protect the caterpillars