

Year 2 Reading

Read the text and then pick some questions to answer each day

Pythons

Snakes are a kind of reptile, which means they have cold blood and scales. Some snakes are as small as a coin and others are as long as a bus! Pythons are a type of snake.



Habitat

Pythons like to live in places that are warm. They need to live in warm places because they have cold blood, which means they are found in deserts and jungles. Living in the jungle gives them plenty of places to hide. They usually hide in trees or under leaves on the ground. Pythons have patterned skin which helps them to blend in with the leaves and bark.

Diet

Pythons do not eat fruit or plants. They eat small animals like rats and lizards. Some pythons are very big, so they will catch bigger animals. Pythons will hide in the trees or leaves and wait for a small animal to pass. They will jump out quickly to catch it. They squeeze the animals and then swallow them whole.

Fun Facts

- Pythons can live for up to 40 years.
- Pythons are very good swimmers.
- Some pythons will hide in the high branches of trees and will catch birds as they fly past.
- There are 26 different types of python.

The meaning of words

1. What does the word 'habitat' mean in this text?
2. What does the word 'diet' mean in this text?

Retrieval – Find in the text

3. What are some snakes as small as?
4. Where do snakes usually hide?
5. What helps snakes to blend in with their environment?
6. What do pythons eat?
7. Complete the sentence:
Pythons are very good _____.

The main idea

8. What is section 2 all about?
9. What is section 3 all about?
10. Is the title a good title? Explain your answer.

True or False:

11. There are 32 types of pythons.
12. thons are a type of snake.
13. They have plenty of space to hide in the jungle.
14. They are as long as a plane.
15. They swallow animals then squeeze them.
16. Pythons can live for up to 40 years.