

An extract from:

How the Kangaroos Got Their Tails

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15 known as Australia a long, long time ago.
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29 plains and the smaller, grey kangaroo was
37 from the hills. One day, the grey kangaroo
45 really wanted to eat some wild bush honey
54 so he followed a swarm of bees to their
63 hive in the hole of a rock. The grey
68 kangaroo reached inside and pulled
75 out a handful of gooey honey. It
81 was delicious and now the big,
86 brown kangaroo also wanted some
92 for himself. The grey kangaroo told
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106 the back of the hole to get
111 the tastiest honey. The brown
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123 pulled out was a handful of
128 spiders. He had been tricked!



Questions



1. Find and copy the word that means the same as the adjective 'sticky'.



2. Which was the largest kangaroo?



3. How do you think the grey kangaroo was feeling when he followed the bees?

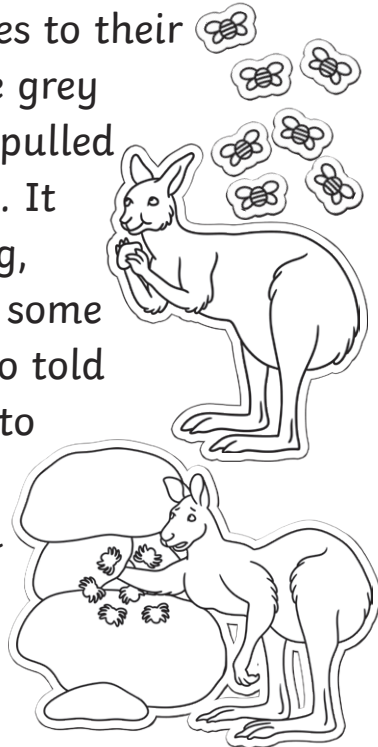


4. Number these events from 1–3 to show the order they appear in the text.

- ☐ The brown kangaroo pulled out a handful of spiders.
- ☐ The grey kangaroo followed the bees.
- ☐ The grey kangaroo ate some wild bush honey.

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Answers



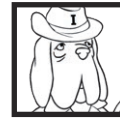
1. Find and copy the word that means the same as the adjective 'sticky'.

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2. Which was the largest kangaroo?

The largest kangaroo was the large, brown kangaroo.



3. How do you think the grey kangaroo was feeling when he followed the bees?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the grey kangaroo was feeling hopeful that he would find some honey.



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1 The grey kangaroo followed the bees.

2 The grey kangaroo ate some wild bush honey.