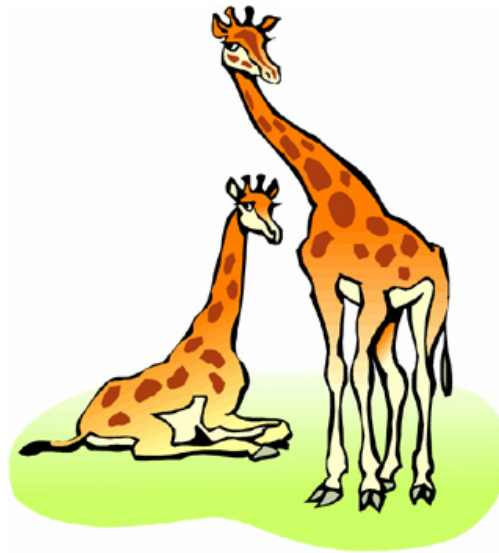


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JESSICA AND THE GIRAFFE



In the spring, Jessica's parents took her to the zoo. Jessica liked the zoo. She liked to see the baby animals. The zoo had a small train. They took a ride on the train.

They got off the train near the giraffes. Jessica liked the tall giraffes. She liked their long necks and long legs. They have long necks so they can pull leaves off tall trees and eat them. She looked up at the giraffe. "You are my favorite animal," she said.

Jessica took a carrot out of her lunch bag. "This is a carrot. Do you want a carrot?" she asked the giraffe. The giraffe put its head down to Jessica. Up close, its head was very big! It stuck out its tongue. It had a long, black tongue.

Jessica gave the carrot to the giraffe. "Here you go," she said. The giraffe had a new baby. The new baby was only a few days old, but it was already taller than Jessica! It was so cute. She wished she could keep it, but her room was too small. "I will visit you here," she said to the baby. "When you are big, you will get a carrot, too."



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Answer the questions about *JESSICA AND THE GIRAFFE*

1. Where does the story take place?
 - a. at a school
 - b. at the zoo
 - c. at the hospital
 - d. in Jessica's room
2. Why does a giraffe have a long neck?
 - a. So it can see better.
 - b. So it can hide in trees.
 - c. So it can eat leaves high up in trees.
 - d. So it can run faster.
3. What color is a giraffe's tongue?
 - a. black
 - b. pink
 - c. red
 - d. blue
4. Do you like to go to the zoo? What is your favorite zoo animal? Why?



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Answers to *JESSICA AND THE GIRAFFE*

1. b

2. c

3. a

4. answers will vary

