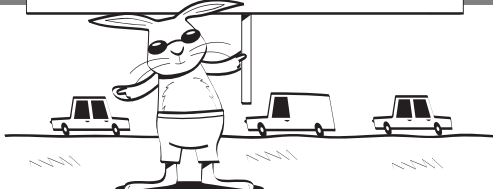


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1. Ring the word or words nearest in meaning to 'delicacies'.

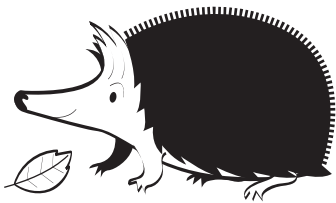
special to eat

easy to break

fun to chase

2. What does Pa mean by 'copped it'?





3. Where did Ma, Pa and the family live?

4. When referring to the mice and what they eat, why do you think the author uses the word 'feasting'?

5. What could the hedgehogs find in both the park and their own garden?

6. Why did Ma say 'not in front of the children'?



Notes for teachers

Ask the children to read the story out loud – they could take it in turns to read. Discuss how the author attracts the reader's attention at the beginning through conversation before providing background details in the middle paragraph. Before answering the questions remind pupils of the importance of writing correctly punctuated sentences.