Ronald the Rhino

*Please read the Twinkl story 'Ronald the Rhino' before completing this comprehension.

Ronald the Rhino is so big and strong.
In the Javan forest is where he belongs.

His dusky grey skin is very well worn.
At the front of his head is a beautiful horn.

He eats fallen fruits from the damp forest floor,
But Ronald is sad; he longs for much more.

"Why am I special?" he says with a tear.
"I live by myself, I have no friends here.

All of the animals
Have a grand trait,
Something unique
That makes them just great."

"I've got it!" he cries, a smile creeps up his face,
And he wiggles and jiggles all over the place.

"I'll be a leopard
With beautiful spots,
All yellowish fur
And dark brownish dots."

Ronald sets off
To hatch out his plan,
And through the dense forest
His eyes start to scan.

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Ronald looks sad, unsure what to do.
He lets out a sigh; he's feeling so blue.

"Why am I special?" he says with a tear.
"I live by myself, I have no friends here."

"All of the animals have a grand trait.
Leopard has spots that make him just great."

"I've got it!" he cries, with a smile on his face,
And he wiggles and jiggles all over the place.

"I'll be a python, my body so strong,
With smooth patterned skin and a tongue nice and long!"

He starts right away and gets down on the ground.
He slides through the mud with a terrible sound.

But as Ronald moves,
He lets out a wail;
His body is sore
And bent round like a snail.

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"I want to be like him!" Ronald cries out,
His eyes shining bright as his feet dance about.

So into the forest they set off to find
This mystery animal that might change his mind.

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He stops as he sees it
And then gasps out loud.
Leopard and Python
Could cry, they're so proud.

He grins at the animal that he can see,
"By golly,
It's amazing,
It's wonderfully...

...Me!"

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Questions

You will need to read pages 3-4 to answer these questions.

1. Finish this sentence: “His skin is tough and looks like....”

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2. What “sparkles brightly”?

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3. Who is the mystery animal that Leopard and Python are describing?

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4. Why did Leopard and Python feel like crying?

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5. How did Ronald feel when he saw himself in the water?

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6. Which animal would you like to be like out of the story? Why?

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Questions

You will need to read pages 2-4 to answer these questions.

1. Which "grand trait" does Leopard have?

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2. What does 'feeling blue' mean?

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3. What does Ronald do when he is happy? Name two things.

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4. How does Ronald try to be like Python?

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5. "As Ronald moves he lets out a wail," how do you think Ronald is feeling?

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6. Do you think Python and Leopard are Ronald's friends? Why?

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7. Name two things that Ronald is upset about.

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8. What other animal do you think Ronald could have pretended to be like? Why?

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Questions

You will need to read pages 1-4 to answer these questions.

1. Which adjective is used to describe Ronald's horn?

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2. How would people know Ronald was upset without him talking?

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3. What does 'unique' mean?

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4. Find and copy the phrase Ronald uses to describe Leopard.

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5. What does Ronald say when he gets a good idea?

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6. When Ronald is trying to be like Python, what animal is he actually compared to?

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7. Where is Python when he sees Ronald trying to be like him?

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8. What other animal do you think Ronald could have pretended to be like? Why?

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9. Why are Leopard and Python proud of Ronald?

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