

Guinea Pigs

A Non-Chronological Report



Aim:

Use a non-chronological report to find out information about guinea pigs.

Success Criteria:

I can read facts and information to help me learn about guinea pigs.

I can use what I know about how a non-chronological report is set out to help me find the words/phrases that answer questions I am asked.

Introduction

Guinea pigs are not actually pigs, they are rodents.

They originally came from the Andes Mountains in South America. They were brought to Europe by Spanish sailors, returning from South America during their travels to the new world, in the 15th century.



Habitat - Where do Guinea Pigs Live?

In the wild, guinea pigs tend to make their habitats in rocky areas, grasslands and forests. When they live in the wild, guinea pigs go around in herds.

Guinea pigs, kept as pets, can be kept indoors or outdoors. They need a home that has a large shelter and exercise area, which should be strong and secure and free from draughts.



Appearance - What Do They Look Like?

There are lots of different breeds of guinea pig and they come in lots of colours and fur textures. Some are short-haired, some are long-haired and some are fuzzy.



Diet - What Do They Eat?

Guinea pigs will eat and drink day or night. They need to drink water to stop getting thirsty but actually get a lot of water from eating grass.

They are vegetarians and love green grass and vegetables.

Guinea pigs' teeth are constantly growing and they always need things to gnaw on to grind them down so love eating coarse foods like grass and hay.



Interesting Facts

- Did you know that the name for a male guinea pig is a 'boar' and the name for a female guinea pig is a 'sow'?
- You can tell when guinea pigs are happy because they 'purr'.
- There are places in South America where people eat guinea pigs.
- Another name for a guinea pig is a cavy.
- Guinea pigs can live for up to 8 years.

Where did guinea pigs originally come from?

A) South America

B) China

C) Iceland

D) Australia

Which food do guinea pigs typically like to eat?

A) cheese

B) vegetables

C) chocolate

D) ice cream

Where do guinea pigs live in the wild?

A) in trees

B) on sand

C) rocky areas,
grasslands and forest

D) near lakes or rivers

What is another name for a guinea pig?

A) hedgehog

B) mouse

C) pigster

D) cavy

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Y3 Task

Can you write your own non-chronological report about guinea pigs?

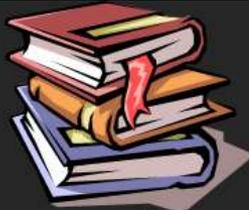
Here is a template to help you. You do not need to print this off. Just write in your homework book.

Title: _____	
Introduction: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	
Sub-heading: _____ _____ _____	
Sub-heading: _____ _____ _____ _____	Fun Fact!
Sub-heading: _____ _____ _____	

Y4 Task

Can you write your own non-chronological report about guinea pigs?

Write in your Homework book and make sure you have included all the features.



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Does your text contain the following features?

Features	Yes
A Heading	
Subheadings	
Pictures	
Labels	
Captions	
Facts not opinions	
Technical words to do with the subject	
Text organised into paragraphs	
Varied sentence beginnings	

Y4 here is an example of a good non-chronological report.

New York

Famous New Yorkers

There are many famous people who come from New York:

- ↳ Lady Gaga
- ↳ Donald Trump
- ↳ Mark Zuckerberg
- ↳ Theodore Roosevelt
- ↳ Post Malone
- ↳ Christina Aguilera
- ↳ Paris Hilton
- ↳ Scarlett Johansson
- ↳ Lana Del Rey

New York is a state in the United States of America. It has 62 cities, the most famous being New York City. Its capital city is Albany and the entirety of New York covers 54,555 square miles.

Places to Visit

New York is home to some of the most popular tourist spots in the world.

The Empire State Building is located in New York City and has 102 floors. It is the sixth tallest freestanding structure in America.

The Statue of Liberty, located on Liberty Island was gifted to America by the people of France in 1866 as a symbol of freedom, following the signing of the U.S. Declaration of Freedom.

Did You Know?

New York's state motto is 'excelsior' which means 'ever upward'.



The Statue of Liberty

Places to Stay

There are lots of places to stay in New York. Manhattan, is the most popular destination to stay, offering busy city living. Another popular location is Albany, offering a 'living like the locals' experience.



A map of the USA showing where New York is.

New York in the 1930s

The 1930s was a difficult time for New York and its residents, as the Great Depression took its toll. However, not too much has changed since then - the busy streets of New York were just as congested with people, and the subway lines were still running around the clock. Iconic tourist destinations were still filled with holiday-makers. However, some noticeable differences of 1930 New York are the narrower streets, and the Empire State Building was the tallest of its kind in the world.

Spellings

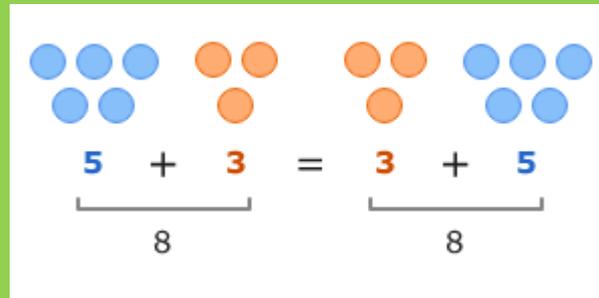
Word	Practice 1	Practice 2	Practice 3
surprise			
suppose			
strength			
strange			
straight			
special			
Separate sentence remember			

Challenge: Can you use these words in sentences?
e.g. What a pleasant surprise!

Word of the week

Sum = addition

Commutative = The commutative property of addition states that a change in the order of the numbers being added does not affect the sum.



English Flip

Watch the video about Industrial Revolution

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vizSn5_uZNg

The 18th century saw the emergence of the 'Industrial Revolution', the great age of steam, canals and factories that changed the face of the British economy forever.