

Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Great Escapes


Word Challenge

The pebble toad is tiny, measuring just a few centimetres.

Write a list of words, whose meanings show a gradual increase in size from smallest to largest.

Example: microscopic → minuscule → tiny →

Grammar Challenge

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Write a list of 3 sentence that describes a pebble toad's appearance and uses precise adjectives.

The pebble toad has ...

Challenge: Write a follow-on sentence that includes a parenthesis.

Did You Know?

The Venezuelan pebble toad is able to escape the jaws of a toad-eating tarantula by rolling itself into the shape of a small rock and bouncing its way to safety down the side of a steep cliff. Despite this impressive escape tactic, the pebble toad is only the size of a human fingernail.

Where in the world is Venezuela? Click the 



Credit: BBC One - Nature's Greatest Dancers

Number Challenge

A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9
J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18
S 19	T 20	U 21	V 22	W 23	X 24	Y 25	Z 26	

What is the total value of the words:

- 1) Toad?
- 2) Venezuela?

Help: Find the number of each letter and add together all of the numbers to find the total word value.

Critical Thinking

Throughout history, toads have often been described as ugly creatures.

Is this a fair description? Why? Why not?