Main Topic and Key Details

Grade 1 Reading Worksheet

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1. What is this text mostly about?

   how big sea turtles grow

   how a sea turtle's life begins

   where a turtle lays eggs

   how baby turtles reach the sea

2. Which sentence is a key detail from this text?

   The baby turtles crawl away from the water.

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4. Which title fits the whole text best?

   Where a Turtle Lays Eggs Animals at the Beach A Sea Turtle's Start

5. Which sentence gives another key detail?

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6. Which title is too small for the whole text?

Animals at the Beach A Sea Turtle's Start Eggs in the Sand

7. Which title is too big for this text?

How Baby Turtles Reach the Sea

Animals at the Beach

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8. Which sentence tells more about how a sea turtle's life begins?

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9. Which question does this text answer?

How does a sea turtle's life begin?

How long do sea turtles live?

How big is a sea turtle's shell?

10. What does the word "hatch" mean in this text?

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