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Grade 4 Writing Worksheet - Building Confidence

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   Dolphins click to tell other dolphins where the fish are.

   Dolphins make clicking sounds to find fish in the sea.

2. Source: "Giraffes have long necks that help them eat leaves from tall trees." Which is the best paraphrase?

   Giraffes eat only grass and small bushes that grow near the ground.

   Because their necks are so long, giraffes can reach the leaves in tall trees.

   Giraffes have long necks that help them eat the leaves from the tops of tall trees.

3. Source: "Sea otters wrap themselves in kelp so they do not drift away while they sleep." Which is the best paraphrase?

   Sea otters sleep in kelp because it keeps their fur warm.

   Sea otters wrap themselves in kelp so they do not float away while they sleep.

   To stay in one place while sleeping, sea otters tangle themselves in seaweed.

4. Source: "Honeybees do a waggle dance to show other bees where flowers are." Which is the best paraphrase?

   A bee's wiggling dance tells the hive which way to find flowers.

   Honeybees do a wiggle dance to show other bees where flowers are.

   Honeybees dance to tell other bees that rain is coming.

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