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Grade 4 Writing Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

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   A camel is able to cross dry desert land for several days with no drink.

   Camels can walk for days in the desert without drinking any water.

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   A cricket's chirp comes from its wings scraping against each other.

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   An owl can twist its neck to look nearly behind itself.

4. Source: "Bats sleep upside down in caves during the day." Which note copies the source too closely?

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