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   Frogs breathe only through their lungs.

2. Source: "Maple trees make a sweet sap that people boil to make syrup." Which paraphrase changes the meaning?

   People boil the sweet sap from maple trees to get syrup.

   Syrup comes from sap that maple trees make, once people boil it.

   People make syrup from maple trees by freezing the sap.

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   Penguins can fly short distances when they need to.

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   Even without flying, penguins swim very well.

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   Wherever a snail travels, its shell travels with it.

   Snails take their shells along on every trip.

   A snail leaves its shell behind when it moves.

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