

Unit 5

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Reader's Notebook: Possum's Tail

Questions for Possum's Tail

Write your responses to the questions below.

1 What does Possum do that annoys the rest of the animals?

Possum brags about his tail.

2 Why are the animals rolling their eyes when Possum is talking to bear?

They are bored and pretending to be tired and falling asleep, hoping Possum will stop talking about his tail.

3 Who has an idea about Possum?

Rabbit

4 On page 102, the animals change their behaviour. What has changed, and why do you think they are saying nice things about Possum's tail all of a sudden?

They are going to trick him.

5 We know the animals are up to something, but Possum does not seem to notice. Why not?

He only cares about his tail - doesn't notice anything else.

6 When Possum finds out what the others have done to his tail, what does he do?

Possum sits down, closes his eyes, and rolls onto his back with his feet in the air. The story says that's why opossums play dead when they see other animals.

7 Do you think this is a true story? Why or why not?

Answers will vary.



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