

# Bug's Big Trip

Bug needs a bath but it's a long way **across** the plain to the pool.

'No one will notice if I hitch a lift,' thinks Bug.

So, he hides **behind** a leaf and waits.



He jumps **off** the branch and travels **up** Giraffe's neck...



...**under** Crane's wing...



...**down** Elephant's trunk...



...**in** Lion's mane...



...and **between** Zebra's ears.





Bug bounces **off** and lands **on** the ground.

He is nearly there!



But there are too many animals **in front of** him.

He can't see the water.



So, he scrambles **between**...

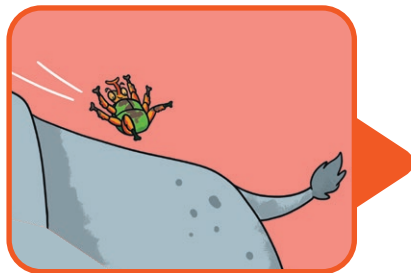
...**in**...



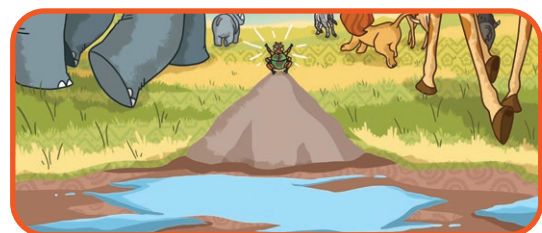
...**down**...

...**under**...

...**up**...



... and finally reaches the pool.



'I'm just in time,' thinks Bug.  
'This thirsty lot have nearly  
drunk all the water!'



He gets ready to jump **into**  
the pool for a lovely wash...



...but Hippo gets there first!



'No bath for me today,' thinks Bug. 'I guess I'll just have a  
shower instead!'

# Questions

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- Giraffe
- Bug
- Hippo

2. What does Bug need? **Tick one.**

- a friend
- a drink
- a bath

3. Who has a trunk? **Tick one.**

- Giraffe
- Elephant
- Lion

4. How does Bug travel on Zebra? **Tick one.**

- on Zebra's back
- under Zebra's nose
- between Zebra's ears

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2. Fill in the missing word.

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3. Which is the **next** animal that Bug travels on after Giraffe? **Tick one.**

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- Crane
- Lion

4. Draw **three** lines and match each animal to the correct body part.

Elephant

Crane

Lion

mane

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wing

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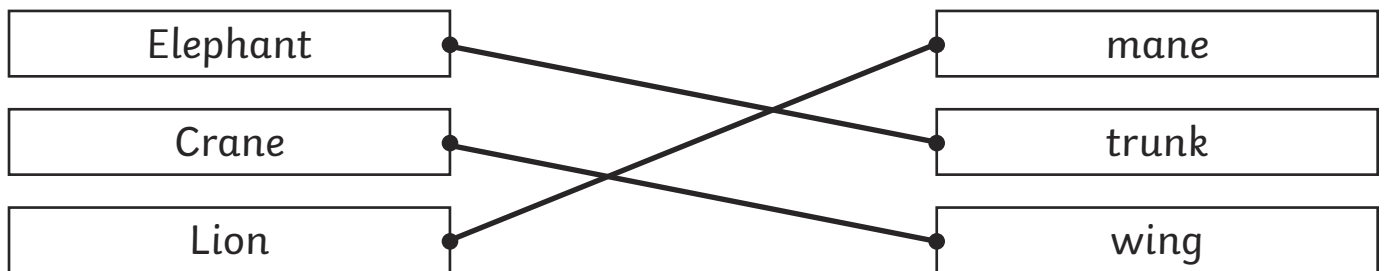
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He travels in Lion's mane.

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plain

a flat area of land without many trees

hitch a lift

to try to move quickly with things in your way

scramble

to travel with someone else

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**to have a bath**

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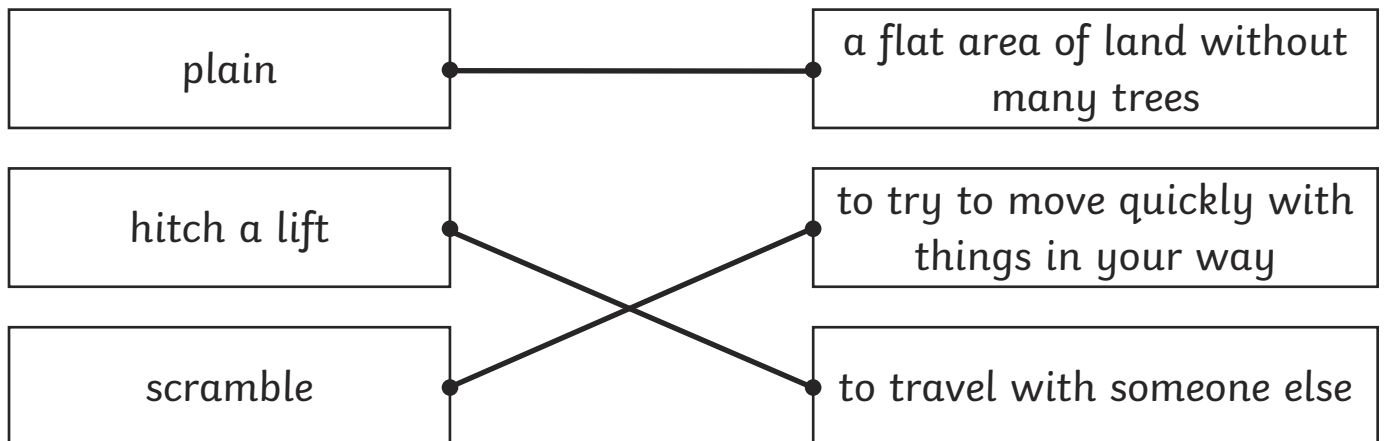
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5. How do you think Bug feels when Hippo jumps into the pool?  
**Example answers: cross, angry, annoyed, irritated, disappointed.**  
**Accept any answers that make sense.**

6. What do you think Bug might do next?  
**Children's own responses.**