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Spider, Skunk, Squirrel, and Goose wanted to go swimming. They walked over to Chipmunk's house to invite their friend along.

They walked and walked and walked. But where was Chipmunk's house?



"Chipmunk?" called Spider.
"Chipmunk, where are you?"
"Over here!" called Chipmunk.
He climbed out of a muddy hole.
"What happened?" asked Skunk.
"The rain washed my old home

away," said Chipmunk.

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- "I have to dig a new burrow," said Chipmunk.
- Spider, Skunk, Squirrel and Goose knew what they had to do.
- "Let us help you," said Squirrel.

 "We can all work on your burrow."



- So the friends helped Chipmunk. They dug and dug and dug.
- At last, Chipmunk cried, "We're done! Our work is complete!"
- But Goose said, "Not yet. We still have to decorate."



- Spider spun her silk into thread. Skunk and Spider used the thread to make curtains and a small rug.
- Squirrel gathered nuts and seeds.
- Goose used her feathers to make a blanket and pillow.



- Then they gave their gifts to Chipmunk.
- Spider said, "I would like to give you this rug."
 - "Thank you!" said Chipmunk.

"It is a very fine rug. I will put it in the middle of my burrow."



- Skunk said, "We want to give you these curtains. Spider made one and I made the other."
- "Thank you so much!" said Chipmunk. "They will look beautiful in my burrow."



- Squirrel said, "Please take these nuts and seeds."
 - "Thanks!" said Chipmunk.
- "I can't wait to eat them!"
- Goose said, "This pillow and blanket will keep you warm."
 - "I love them," said Chipmunk.

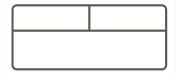


- "I feel so lucky to have friends like you," Chipmunk said. "You are invited to visit any time."
- "And you are invited to come swimming!" said Skunk.
- So they ran down to the lake and all jumped into the water together.

Responding

TARGET SKILL Story Structure

Who is the story about? Where does the story happen? What happens? Make a chart.



Write About It

Text to Self Think of a problem you solved. Draw three pictures. Show the problem, what you did, and what happened. Write a sentence about each picture.



LEARN MORE WORDS

burrow complete

TARGET SKILL Story Structure

Tell the setting, character, and events in a story.

TARGET STRATEGY Visualize

Picture what is happening as you read.

GENRE A **fantasy** is a story that could not happen in real life.

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