Sleepy Bear

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Shhh...don't wake up Bear! He is sleeping.

In fact, he will sleep for many months. This is called "hibernation." Bear has dug his own den. A den is a bear's home. It looks like a dark hole or cave. Bear hibernates



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smart and he ate a lot of food before falling asleep.

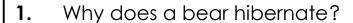
Bear will wake up in the spring. He will be well rested. He will also be very hungry! Luckily, there will be a lot of food to eat. Bear will snack on plants, berries, and insects. Sometimes he will eat fish too.

Bear is not the only animal that hibernates. Squirrels, skunks and raccoons are other examples.

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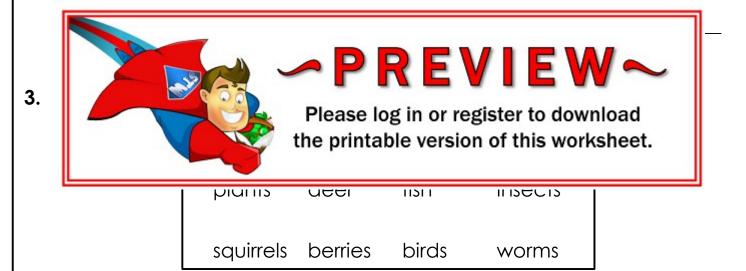
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- **b.** He doesn't like snow on his paws.
- c. He can't find food in the winter.
- d. He is afraid of being buried in the snow.



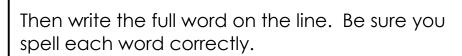


4. Name three other animals that hibernate according to the article.

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Fill in the missing letters to create words from the story.





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clue: sleep during winter

2. c ___ n s ___ r v ___

2.



3.

4. t __ m __ e r __ t u r e

4.

clue: amount of hot or cold

5. s ___ r v ___ v e

clue: to stay alive

5.

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In the article, "Sleepy Bear," you learned how bears hibernate in the winter.

With an adult's help, use the Internet to research three facts about brown bears. Be sure to write in complete sentences. Choose facts that were not mentioned in the article.



Fact #1:
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Internet source:
Fact #3:
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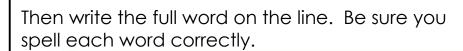
Squirrels, skunks, and raccoons hibernate in the winter.

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Fill in the missing letters to create words from the story.







2.

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5. s<u>u</u>rv<u>i</u>ve

5. survive

clue: to stay alive