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## Jack and the Beetle



Jack woke up, it was late. His Dad had gone to work and his Mum was busy cleaning.

Jack's best friend Sam had gone to the zoo with his Mum and Dad, so Jack had no-one to play with.

Jack decided to go into the garden. His Dad had been building a wall. Jack kicked one of the bricks with his trainer, the brick flipped over and there underneath was a big brown beetle. The beetle looked worried and tried to find somewhere to hide, but Jack gently picked him up in his hand. He put the beetle in a big plastic container. He wondered what beetles ate, so he filled the container with some leaves, grass and some twigs to make a home for the beetle. Jack looked after the beetle all day, but it didn't look very happy. So Jack fed it some crisps and a piece of banana, but the beetle still didn't look very happy.

Jack's Dad came home from work. "Dad, come and see my beetle," said Jack.

Jack's Dad looked at the beetle and said, "It doesn't look very happy, where did you find him?"

"Under one of your bricks," said Jack.

"Perhaps he misses his family," said Dad. "Let's put him back where you found him". So they did.

The beetle scurried back under the brick with a big smile on his face. Jack was sad to let the beetle go, but he knew it would be happier living in the garden.

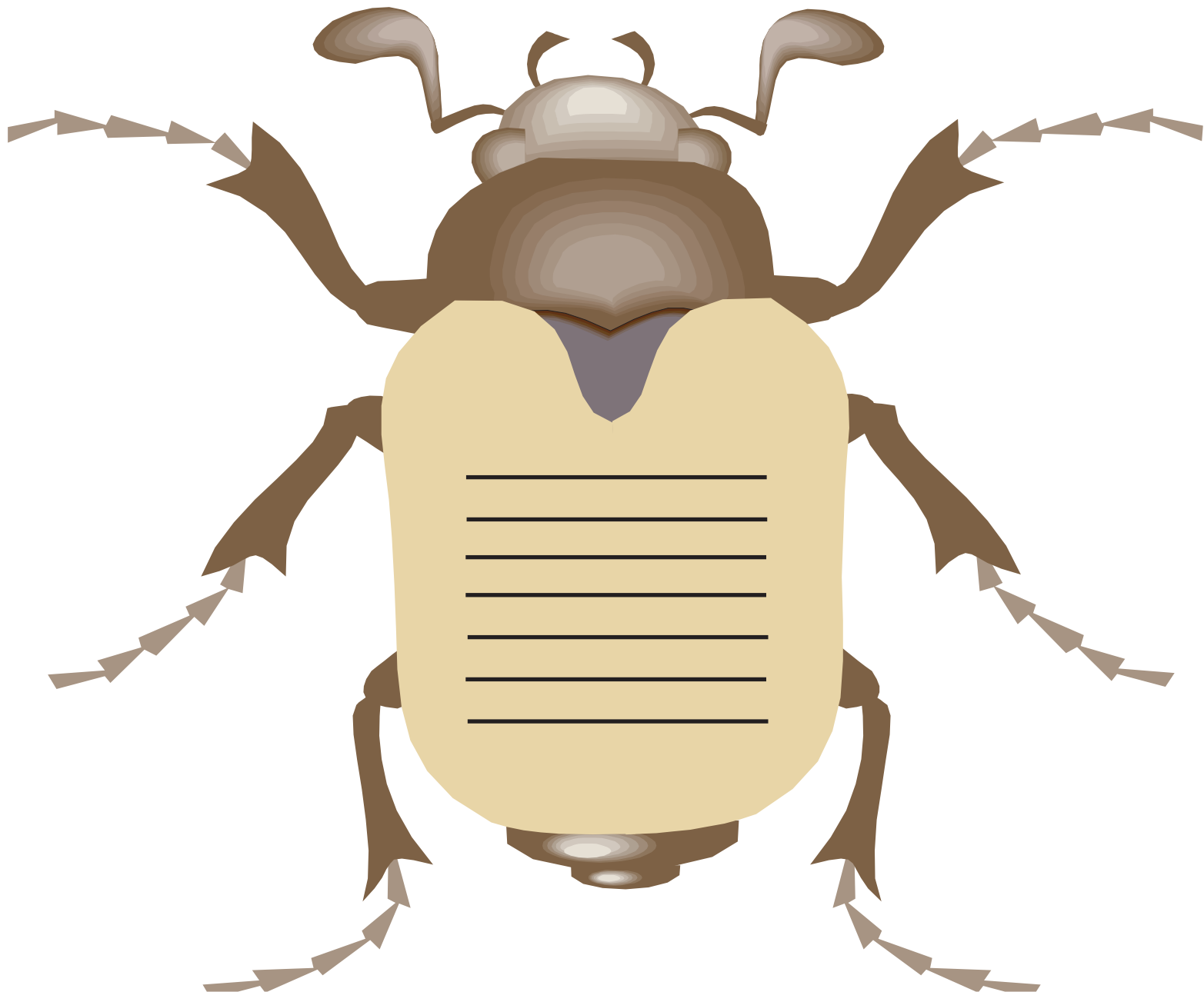
"Come on," said Dad. "Let's go and play football in the park."

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## Jack and the Beetle - Text work

A beetle is an insect. It has six legs and three body parts.  
Use a dictionary, text book or the internet to find more insects.

Make a list below:



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### Jack and the Beetle - Text work

Find a word with the opposite meaning to the following words:

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1) happy _____ | 2) big _____   |
| 3) late _____  | 4) up _____    |
| 5) day _____   | 6) under _____ |

Find a word that rhymes with the following words:

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 7) play _____  | 8) brick _____  |
| 9) look _____  | 10) found _____ |
| 11) ball _____ | 12) park _____  |

Put the following words in alphabetical order:

Jack, beetle, kick, zoo, twig, banana

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|-----------|-----------|
| 13) _____ | 14) _____ |
| 15) _____ | 16) _____ |
| 17) _____ | 18) _____ |

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## Jack and the Beetle - Questions

1) Where had Jack's best friend Sam gone?

\_\_\_\_\_

2) What had Jack's Dad been building in the garden?

\_\_\_\_\_

3) What did Jack find underneath a brick?

\_\_\_\_\_

4) Name the different foods Jack fed his beetle:

\_\_\_\_\_

5) Was Jack's beetle happy in the container?

\_\_\_\_\_

6) What did Jack's Dad suggest they do with the beetle?

\_\_\_\_\_

7) What did Jack and his Dad go to the park for?

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## Jack and the Beetle - Wordsearch

### Insects

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U	F	J	S	K	R	E	L	B	Q	R
M	W	B	E	E	T	L	E	Z	C	A
B	H	J	I	R	V	K	O	W	N	G
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N	Q	J	K	V	F	U	A	B	T	P

EARWIG

WASP

DRAGONFLY

ANT

LADYBIRD

BEETLE

BUMBLEBEE

MOTH

BUTTERFLY