



Boredom

1 Look at the picture on pages 66 to 67 of the EMOTIONARY and write down what you think the piglet is thinking.



2 Answer the questions below about the picture.

● Do you think the piglet is bored? Why / Why not?

● What could he do to stop himself from being bored? Give him three ideas.

3 Read the text about **boredom** on page 66 of the EMOTIONARY and write **T (true)** or **F (false)** next to the sentences below.

- Boredom is the same as tiredness.
- Boredom strikes when we are doing something that doesn't satisfy us.
- When we are bored, time passes very quickly.
- When we are bored, we aren't having a good time.

4 Find words from the text in the word search and write them next to their definitions.

- extreme tiredness

- lack of interest in someone or something

- irritation

- to fulfill a desire or need

- Something that counteracts an unpleasant feeling or situation

E	N	G	S	J	K	L	E	G	S
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L	A	H	O	E	S	J	N	S	G
B	V	C	L	K	U	J	I	V	P

5 Put the words below in the correct column in the table.

entertainment tedium monotony variety dull
 amusing yawn adventure routine laugh

Words related to boredom	Words related to fun

6 Write a story about an oyster who is bored at the bottom of the sea. You mustn't use the words below!

oyster sea boredom

7 Read what these people say about things that bore them, and suggest what they could do to avoid feeling bored.

Anna

I sometimes get bored with a game when I don't understand the rules.

I get bored when I don't understand what people are talking about.

Alexandra

Haydn

I sometimes get bored when I can't think of anything to do.

I get bored when I'm not concentrating on what I'm doing.

Leo

● Have any of these things ever happened to you? If so, which?

● What makes you feel bored? Write your answer below.

8 Complete the sentences.

I'm as bored as ...

I'm so bored that ...

I'm more bored than ...

9 Choose six things from the list below and explain what you could do with them to stop yourself from getting bored.

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| straw | string | streamers | confetti |
| felt-tip pens | plastic bottles | cardboard | paper |
| glue | scissors | cotton wool | lentils |
