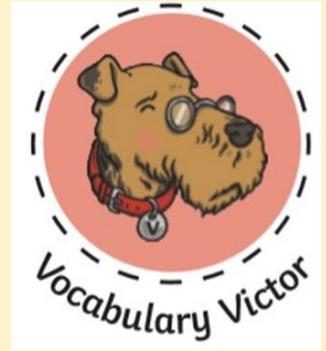# Giraffe's Cant Dance Lesson 1

Giles Andrae
P.1-7

Vocabulary Check p1-7

crooked – something bent or twisted.

munching – when somebody is eating.

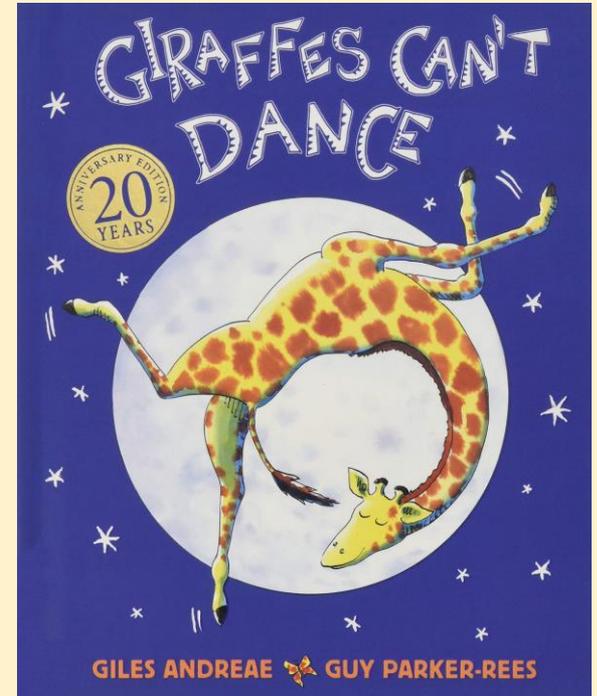**prance** – move with high springy steps

elegant

clumsy

sneered

Read or listen to pages 1-7 of the text.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4UNRduYI_04

Retrieval Questions
Look for keywords from the questions and scan the text.

1. What is the giraffe's name?
2. What is he very good at doing?
3. What do they hold every year in Africa?

Lesson 2

Re-read or listen to pages 1 to 7 again.

How does Gerald feel on Jungle Dance day? Which thought bubble is correct?

I am really excited to dance!

I worried about what the other animals will think.

I'm too tired to dance. I'd rather sleep.

*'Gerald simply froze up. He was **rooted to the spot**'.*

What does '**rooted to the spot**' mean? When might you be 'rooted to the spot'?

Inference Iggy

Why do you think he feels ' so **alone**'?

I think he feels alone because…

So he crept off from the dance floor,
and he started walking home.
He'd never felt so sad before—
so sad and so alone.

Lesson 3

Complete the activity sheet.

Complete the one word and why activity.

One word and why?

Think of one word to describe each character. Then, tell me why you chose this word. Use the word bank to help you.

hungry	lost	lonely	upset
fierce	mean	selfish	impolite
happy	energetic	moody	spiteful

Character name: Gerald   **Word chosen:** [   ]

I chose this word because _____

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