

Backward World Answer Key

1. The sun sets in the morning; rivers flow backward.
2. They wear pajamas during the day.
3. The rain flies up into the sky instead of falling down.
4. They flow up mountains instead of down to the sea.
5. Because they think their backward way of life is fun or normal.

Teacher's Guide

- **Focus Skill:** Understanding **opposites and contrasts** through creative storytelling builds both comprehension and vocabulary awareness.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For younger readers, read the story aloud and have them act out the opposites (e.g., pretending to "rain up").
 - For older or advanced students, challenge them to identify antonyms in the text and create their own "opposite" sentences.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Let students invent their own "Opposite Town" and share one unusual rule from it.
 - Play "Normal or Reverse?" where you read sentences and students decide if they fit the real world or Reversia.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Have students rewrite a short fable (like "The Tortoise and the Hare") with every event happening in reverse order.
 - Explore contrast language using words like **but**, **yet**, and **however** to connect opposite ideas in writing.