SAMMY The SNAIL

This is a sad story!
Get your tissues ready!

Mrs. Sanford was looking for a pet that was easy to care for, and could stand up to all the noise the fourth graders in her class made! For her birthday, Mrs. Fragale got her a SNAIL! They soon became fast friends and Mrs. Sanford took Sammy everywhere she went!

Sammy was LOVED by everyone!

Sometimes children would bring him flowers for a special treat! Sammy was such happy snail, but all these flowers had an effect he did not expect!

Sammy began to gain some weight.....

During the first year Mrs. Sanford had Sammy he grew, and grew, and GREW!!!

Sammy, and measurement...

Mrs. Sanford's students loved to measure Sammy, and it began to make Sammy aware that he needed to exercise!

While the children were in Specials…

Sammy went for a walk. He was racing around the playground, when something he never expected happened! Sammy fell in a hole! It was DEEP, and DARK, and Sammy was afraid! But Sammy was a brave little guy, and he did the only thing he could do. He began to climb! The hole was 10 feet deep! Each day Sammy was able to climb 3 feet, but each night, he would slide 2 feet back down into the hole. Some snails might have paniced, and others might have given up, but NOT SAMMY! He had learned all about Perseverance from Mrs. Sanford's Math students!!!

"When will I make it home," thought Sammy.

Sammy's eyes grew on the end of his horns! Each day he would stretch them and try to see his way back home to his beloved classroom. Will you help figure out how long it will take Sammy to get home?

How long will it take Sammy to get home?

If the hole was 10 feet deep, and each day Sammy was able to climb 3 feet, how long would it take him to get home? Remember, each night, he would slide 2 feet back down into the hole.

You must explain your answer!
Draw a picture, make a chart, and show you reasoning.

Sammy was so happy to get back to Mrs. Sanford's room that he never left again! Now when he needs excersise he walks around and over the Math Centers, solving problems as he goes!