FREE SAMPLE: THE FIRST 3 QUESTIONS

TEXT 1 — STORY

Questions 1–4

The Red Hat

Mia has a red hat. The wind blows hard.

The hat flies up, up, up! Mia runs and runs.

A dog jumps and gets the hat. “Thank you!” says Mia.

1. What colour is Mia’s hat?

A blue
B red
C green
D pink

2. What makes the hat fly up?

A a bird
B a ball
C Mia’s hand
D the wind

3. Who gets the hat?

A a cat
B a boy
C a bird
D a dog

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THE WORKED ANSWERS TO THOSE 3 QUESTIONS

1. What colour is Mia’s hat? [Detail]

Correct answer: B — red

- What is the question asking? It asks for a fact that the text states.
- Go back to the text and find the evidence: “Mia has a red hat.”
- The first sentence says Mia has a red hat.
- So the correct answer is B (red).
- Why the other options are wrong:
- A (blue): The story says the hat is red.
- C (green): The story says the hat is red.
- D (pink): The story says the hat is red.

LOS: Reading: finding information stated in the text

> **KEY TAKEAWAY**
> Go back to the text and find the exact words that answer the question, then match them to an option.

2. What makes the hat fly up? [Cause]

Correct answer: D — the wind

- What is the question asking? It asks why something happened.
- Go back to the text and find the evidence: “The wind blows hard.”
- The wind blows hard, and then the hat flies up.
- So the correct answer is D (the wind).
- Why the other options are wrong:
- A (a bird): The story says the wind blows hard.
- B (a ball): The story says the wind blows hard.
- C (Mia’s hand): The story says the wind blows hard.

LOS: Reading: understanding why things happen

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KEY TAKEAWAY
Ask: what happened, and what made it happen? The word because is a clue.

3. Who gets the hat? [Detail]

Correct answer: D — a dog

- What is the question asking? It asks for a fact that the text states.
- Go back to the text and find the evidence: “A dog jumps and gets the hat.”
- The story says a dog jumps and gets the hat.
- So the correct answer is D (a dog).
- Why the other options are wrong:
- A (a cat): A dog gets the hat.
- B (a boy): A dog gets the hat.
- C (a bird): A dog gets the hat.

LOS: Reading: finding information stated in the text

KEY TAKEAWAY
The answer to a detail question is written in the text: put your finger on it before you choose.

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