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Passage A

It was a pleasant, sunny day and Matisse pushed Violet gently on the swing. She squealed happily as it went back and forth. After a while, Matisse began to get bored. He raced off towards the biggest slide he could see. Violet struggled to get off the swing and began to toddle her way towards the slide Matisse was already zooming down. Violet had just reached the bottom of the slide when Matisse ran towards the climbing frame. "Mattie! Mattie! Wait for me," she shouted as she tried to catch up with him. Matisse scrambled his way up the climbing frame like a monkey scaling a tree. Violet managed to reach up to the first rung but couldn't manage to get her leg to reach. She sat down on the ground and began to cry.

1. a) Where are Violet and Matisse?

b) What clues did you find in the text which helped you?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

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2. a) Who do you think is older? Matisse or Violet?

b) What clues did you find in the text which helped you?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

Passage B

As Rory walked up his path, he froze. Something was wrong. The curtain in the front room was hanging limply with rips all the way through. Beyond the curtains, Rory could see a scene of destruction. Lights were lying on the ground, the rug was ripped and there were bits of ornaments strewn over the carpet. Rory's stomach lurched as he rushed towards the front door. Fumbling for his keys, he unlocked his door and rushed inside. The devastation continued. The door to the kitchen, which Rory was sure he had closed before going to work, was swung open and had scratch marks halfway up. Rory closed his eyes and clenched his fists. All the way up the stairs were muddy little prints. Rory stormed up the stairs following the prints and shoved the door to his bedroom open and burst in. Sitting in the middle of the remains of the bed clothes sat Rory's white, fluffy, guilty-looking dog, Angus.

1. a) Who or what has caused the destruction in Rory's house?

b) What were your clues in the text?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

1. a) How does Rory feel?

b) What were your clues in the text?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

Passage C

The leaves were falling from the trees as Sundai walked along the path. The days were getting shorter and there were smells of bonfires in the air. The sound of a snapping twig off the path to the left made her freeze. Someone or something was there. Very quietly, she turned to look at the bushes beside her. Carefully, she crouched down. At the bottom of one of the bushes was a pair of dark brown eyes staring at her. For a long moment, the two stared at each other. "Oh, it's you again," she breathed. Then the eyes disappeared and all Sundai heard was the swish of a tail and four paws padding away.

1. a) What time of year is it?

b) What were your clues from the text?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

2. a) Is this the first time Sundai has met this someone or something?

b) What were your clues from the text?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.

3. a) Who or what do you think the someone or something is?

b) What were your clues from the text?

c) Now put the two together to make a full answer in a sentence with some evidence from the text.