Author's Purpose

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Read the text. Circle the best answer.

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The string matters too. You hold the string tight, so the kite cannot blow away. The wind pushes, and the string pulls. Working together, they keep the kite up in the air.

Many kites also have a long tail. The tail helps keep the kite from spinning around. Without wind, a kite drops to the ground. That is why kites fly best on breezy days.

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   - to show that a kite needs wind
   - to show that strings can break

4. How does the author help readers picture a kite in the air?
   - by comparing it to a tilted roof
   - by comparing it to a spinning top
   - by comparing it to a bird's wing

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