Characters, Setting, and Events

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

Read the text. Circle the best answer.

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Saturn's Broken Ring

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Tess set the model on her table and gasped. Saturn's ring had snapped in half on the bus! Her face went pale. The science fair would start in twenty minutes.

For a moment, Tess wanted to hide the model under the table. Instead, she took a deep breath and made a plan. She asked the librarian, Mrs. Diaz, for a sheet of yellow paper. She traced a new ring around a cup and cut it out carefully. Then she glued it around Saturn.

Her friend Kai saw her working and came over. He held the planet steady so it would not wobble while the glue dried. "It looks even brighter than before," he said.

When the judges reached her table, Tess explained each planet in a clear voice. Afterward, she grinned at Kai. Now she knew she could fix things when they went wrong.

1. Who is the main character in this story?
   Tess Mrs. Diaz Kai

2. Where does the story take place?
   in the science classroom in the school library on the school bus

3. When does the story take place?
   on a chilly Thursday morning
   on a chilly Friday night in March
   on a hot Thursday afternoon in July

4. What was the big challenge in this story?
   Tess left her project at home on the bus.
   The judges skipped her table at the science fair.
   Saturn's ring broke right before the fair.

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