Story Message and Lesson

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

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Read the text. Circle the best answer.

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"Come and sing with me!" Grasshopper called. "Why work on such a sunny day?"

"I am storing food for winter," Ant said. "You should do the same." Grasshopper just laughed and played another song.

Soon the leaves turned brown and fell. Then snow covered the fields. Ant stayed warm in her nest with plenty of grain. Grasshopper was cold, and he could not find a single seed.

He knocked on Ant's door. "Please, may I have a little food?" he asked.

Ant shared some of her grain with him. Grasshopper thanked her. "Next summer, I will work and play," he said.

1. Why did Ant work on sunny days?
   She knew food would be hard to find in winter.
   She did not like music at all.
   She wanted to beat Grasshopper in a race.

2. What happened first in the story?
   Grasshopper knocked on Ant's door.
   Ant carried grain while Grasshopper played.
   Snow covered the fields.

3. Why did Grasshopper knock on Ant's door?
   He wanted Ant to sing with him.
   He was hungry and had no food.
   He wanted to give Ant his fiddle.

4. What does Grasshopper's choice to keep playing show?
   Grasshopper wanted to help Ant.
   Grasshopper did not think about the cold days ahead.
   Grasshopper worked hard all summer.

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