Story Structure

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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On Monday, Kofi practiced in his driveway. He swung the rope fast and jumped as high as he could. By the fourth jump, he was tired, and the rope smacked his ankles. Kofi sat on the steps and sighed.

His older sister came outside to watch. "You're jumping too high," she said. "Just hop a little, like a bunny, and keep your arms low." Kofi tried her way. The rope swished under his feet again and again. Each day that week, he counted a few more hops.

On Friday, Mr. Lee blew his whistle to start the contest. Kofi took a deep breath and began to hop. Eighteen, nineteen, twenty! His classmates cheered. Kofi's legs were wobbly, but he grinned all the way home.

1. How does the ending wrap up the story?
   Kofi's sister gives him some advice about the rope.
   Kofi jumps twenty times and grins all the way home.
   Kofi sits on the steps and sighs at the rope.

2. Which event belongs in the middle of the story?
   Mr. Lee starts the contest with a loud whistle.
   The class learns about the contest on Monday.
   Kofi's sister tells him he is jumping too high.

3. Which sentence from the story is part of the ending?
   He did not want to trip in front of everyone.
   His classmates cheered.
   Kofi sat on the steps and sighed.

4. Why does the ending make sense?
   Kofi practiced the new way all week before the contest.
   The contest only needed three jumps, so he did not practice.
   Kofi's sister jumped for him at the contest.

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