Reading Fluency Review

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

READ THIS FIRST

Owen and the Lost Mitten

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At school, Owen hung his coat on a hook. He reached into his pocket. There was only one mitten! Where was the other one?

Owen looked under his desk. He looked in his backpack. He even looked in the lost and found box. The mitten was not there.

"Maybe it fell in the snow," said Jada at lunch. "We can look on the way home."

After school, the two of them walked slowly. They looked at the sidewalk. They looked near the bushes. Then Owen saw something blue on a fence post. It was his mitten! Someone had found it and put it up high.

"Thank you, whoever you are," Owen whispered.

At home, Mom hung both mittens by the heater to dry. Owen smiled. Tomorrow his hands would be warm again.

1. Where should a reader pause in this sentence?

   Then he walked / to the bus stop / with his big sister, Jada.

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2. How should a reader say "Where was the other one?"

   like a plain fact, voice going down

   like a happy cheer, very loud and fast

   like a puzzled question, voice going up

3. What does the exclamation mark in "There was only one mitten!" tell the reader?

   Owen is surprised, so read it with feeling.

   Owen is asking, so make your voice go up.

   Owen is calm, so read it in a plain voice.

4. A reader says cat instead of coat in paragraph 1. Which word makes sense?

coat, because Owen wears it to stay warm

cat, because Owen takes a pet to school

cot, because Owen naps before the bus

5. "Thank you, whoever you are," Owen whispered. How should a reader say this line?

loudly, like calling a friend

sharply, like giving an order

softly, like a quiet thank-you

6. Paragraph 3 has short sentences that start with "He looked" and "He even looked." How should they be read?

steadily, with a short pause after each one

very slowly, stopping after every word

all in one breath, with no stops at all

7. Reread paragraph 5. Where did Owen find his mitten?

in the lost and found box near the bushes on a fence post

8. In "The mitten was not there." which word should a reader stress?

not mitten was

9. How can a reader break tomorrow into parts?

tomo-rr-ow to-mor-row tom-or-row

10. Reread paragraph 4. Why did Jada say they could look on the way home?

She wanted to buy Owen new mittens.

She saw the mitten on the school bus.

She thought the mitten fell in the snow.

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