Sequence of Events

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

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Painting the Back Fence

Priya and her dad wanted to paint the old fence behind their house. It was gray, and the boards were peeling. Dad wore an old cap, and Priya wore a shirt that was already covered in paint.

On Monday after school, they got to work. First, Dad scraped off the loose paint with a flat tool. Priya swept the flakes into a pile. Next, they washed the boards with soapy water. Then they had to wait. The wood needed a whole day to dry.

On Tuesday, Priya opened a can of sunny yellow paint. She stirred it with a wooden stick until it was smooth. Dad painted the tall boards, and Priya painted the low ones. Her brush made long, even strokes.

Before bedtime, a light rain began to fall. Priya worried about the wet paint. Luckily, the paint had already dried.

On Wednesday morning, Priya added one more thing. She painted a small blue flower on the last board. Dad smiled. "Now the fence is signed by the artist," he said.

1. What did Dad do first on Monday?

   He scraped off the loose paint.

   He washed the boards with soap.

   He opened the yellow paint.

2. What did Priya and Dad do right after they washed the boards?

   They waited for the wood to dry.

   They swept the flakes into a pile.

   They painted the tall boards.

3. On which day did they start painting the fence?

   Monday Tuesday Wednesday

4. What did Priya do before she started to paint?

She stirred the paint until it was smooth.

She painted a small blue flower.

She scraped the old boards.

5. Which order shows the steps from first to last?

paint the boards, wash them, scrape them

scrape the boards, wash them, paint them

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6. What happened before bedtime on Tuesday?

Priya painted a blue flower.

A light rain began to fall.

Dad scraped off the old paint.

7. Why did they wait a whole day after washing the boards?

The wood needed time to dry.

They had to buy the yellow paint.

It was raining all that day.

8. What did Priya do last?

She swept the paint flakes into a pile.

She stirred the can of yellow paint.

She painted a flower on the last board.

9. How many days did the whole fence job take?

three days two days one day

10. The boards were peeling. What does peeling mean?

shining in the sun bending in the wind coming off in thin pieces

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