Summarize and Retell

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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1. Retell the story in your own words.

Who is in the story? _____

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What happened? _____

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How does it end? _____

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Answer Key - Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

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Model summary: Mina was too short to reach the cereal on the top shelf. She pulled over a stool, climbed up carefully and got the box. (Any summary that names the characters, gives the main events in order and says how the story ends is right.)