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Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

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Model summary: The chain on the red swing snapped at recess. Mr. Ruiz brought a new chain, and the swing was fixed by the next morning. (Any summary that names the characters, gives the main events in order and says how the story ends is right.)