Firsthand and Secondhand Accounts

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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   Text 1 Text 2 both texts

4. Which text uses the words I or we?

   Text 2 both texts Text 1

5. Which text tells about the parade?

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Answer Key - Grade 4 Reading Worksheet

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