Use Evidence in Stories

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Read the story. Circle the detail that shows each idea.

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The Umbrella Box

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One gray Monday, Naveen saw a first grader standing at the bus stop. Rain dripped from her hair onto her backpack. She was shivering, and her sneakers squished when she shifted her feet.

Naveen stopped. He looked at the girl's soaked jacket. Then he looked toward the lost-and-found box by the front door.

"Wait here," he told her.

He came back with a purple umbrella. One spoke was bent, so one side drooped a little. "It still keeps most of the rain off," Naveen said. "That's close enough."

The girl held it over her head and twirled it. She gave him a gap-toothed grin.

That afternoon, Naveen asked his teacher, Mr. Reyes, for a sheet of poster paper. He wrote BORROW AN UMBRELLA — BRING IT BACK in big letters. Underneath, he drew a row of umbrellas in every color. He taped the sign above the box.

By Friday, half the umbrellas were out in the rain with students. Three came back the next morning, folded neatly. Naveen didn't mind the ones that were still out. He had already asked his uncle to show him how to fix bent spokes.

1. Which detail shows the girl was happy with the umbrella?
   Her sneakers squished when she moved.
   She twirled it and grinned at him.
   Rain dripped from her hair.

2. Which detail best shows that the first grader was wet and cold?
   She was standing at the bus stop with her backpack.
   She shivered while rain dripped from her hair.
   She looked up at him and gave a gap-toothed grin.

3. Which detail best supports the idea that Naveen is helpful?
   He brought her a purple umbrella from the box.
   He looked at the girl's soaked jacket.
   He walked past the lost-and-found box every day.

4. Which detail supports the idea that the sign worked?
   By Friday, half the umbrellas were in use.
   He taped the poster paper sign above the box.
   He asked Mr. Reyes for a sheet of poster paper.

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