



“Amber Prepares for School”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories ⁽⁵⁾

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

Amber goes back to school next week. She is excited. Her first day of school is Monday August 18th. She finished **kindergarten** last year, and this year she will be starting the first grade. She is six years old.

Amber and her mother must get a school **uniform**, food, and school **supplies** for Amber. So, they get in their car and go shopping. First, they stop at the grocery store to buy food. Next, they go to an office supply store to buy the school supplies. Amber needs pencils, notebooks, scissors, and glue. Finally, they go to the school to buy Amber a school uniform. All of the uniforms look the same, so it doesn't take long to buy one.

Amber's teacher this year will be Mr. Roberts. Amber has heard that Mr. Roberts is nice. Amber is happy about having a nice teacher.

Amber is also happy about seeing her friends again. She is especially happy about seeing her best friend, Sarah. Sarah was in her kindergarten class.

Amber and her mother **carefully** prepare her clothes, food, and supplies the night before school. She has to wake up tomorrow morning at 6:45 to get ready for school.

It is now the first day of school. Amber and her mother are waiting for the school bus. Amber sees the yellow school bus come around the corner. At first, Amber is a little **nervous**. She doesn't want to leave her mother. However, once she sees Sarah on the bus, a smile comes to her face.

She waves goodbye to her mother and gets on the school bus happily. She sits next to Sarah. She thinks to herself, “This is going to be a great year!”

Questions:

- 1) On what day does Amber's school start?
 - A. Monday
 - B. Tuesday
 - C. Wednesday
 - D. Thursday
- 2) Amber is the student. Mr. Roberts is the...
 - A. principal.
 - B. counselor.
 - C. advisor.
 - D. teacher.
- 3) Which is the correct order?
 - A. Next, first, finally
 - B. First, finally, next
 - C. Finally, first, next
 - D. First, next, finally
- 4) Which of the following is not one of the supplies that Amber has to get?
 - A. Pencils
 - B. Notebooks
 - C. Scissors
 - D. Compass
- 5) If something is better than two other things, it is the ____ of the three.
 - A. better
 - B. best
 - C. worse
 - D. worst

Vocabulary:

- 1) **Kindergarten** is the grade that comes before...
 - A. first grade.
 - B. second grade.
 - C. preschool.
 - D. ninth grade.
- 2) A **uniform** is...
 - A. clothing that makes individuals in a group look different.
 - B. clothing that makes individuals in a group look the same.
 - C. bright colored clothing.
 - D. dark colored clothing.
- 3) **Supplies** are...
 - A. things that will be needed in the future.
 - B. things that are needed now.
 - C. heavy.
 - D. unnecessary.
- 4) If something is done **carefully** it is done...
 - A. without concern.
 - B. with accuracy and patience.
 - C. None of the above
 - D. Both A and B are correct
- 5) At first, Amber is **nervous**. So, she is...
 - A. happy and excited.
 - B. unhappy.
 - C. fearful or timid.
 - D. ready.