

Prediction

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet

Making a **prediction** means using clues from the text to guess what will happen next.

Read each paragraph, and select what you predict will happen next.

1. The phone rang, and Katya's mom picked it up. She listened for a few seconds and then said, "I'll be there right away." She hung up the phone and turned to Katya. "Katya," she said. "Get your coat. Your dad missed the bus home from work."

What probably happened next?

- a. Katya and her mom went to the grocery store.
 - b. Katya and her mom went in the car to pick up Katya's dad from work.
 - c. Katya's mom drove Katya to work.
 - d. Katya made a phone call to her dad.
2. Isla got dressed for school and checked to see that she had put her homework in her backpack. Then she looked out the window. "Wow!" she cried. She ran to the kitchen. "Did you see the snow, Mom? It must be a foot deep!"

"I know," said Mom. "I was just listening to the news. You should probably go and change into your play clothes."

What probably happened next?

- a. Isla put her homework in her backpack.
- b. Isla looked out the window.
- c. Isla ran to the kitchen.
- d. Isla changed her clothes and stayed home.



3. The school play ended. Everyone had remembered their lines. The audience had laughed at all the right places. The lights came on and the students all came back on stage and took a bow.

What probably happened next?

- a. The audience clapped.
 - b. The play began.
 - c. Everyone sat down.
 - d. The lights were turned off.
4. *Boom* went the thunder. *Flash* went the lightning. *Whoosh* went the wind. The rain fell hard and fast. Jimmy looked out the living room window. The cars were going slow. Suddenly, all the lights went out and the television went off. Jimmy's mom came into the living room. "Come and help me, Jimmy," she said. We'll need these for a little while until the lights come back on."

"I know," said Mom. "I was just listening to the news. You should probably go and change into your play clothes."

What probably happened next?

- a. Jimmy and his mom watched television.
- b. Jimmy and his mom lit some candles.
- c. Jimmy's mom turned on the lights.
- d. Jimmy went for a ride on his bike.



Read each paragraph. Predict what will happen next and use details from the text to explain your thinking.

Jamal punched the code into the keypad to open the garage door. He parked his bike in the garage and went inside. He tossed his backpack on a chair by the kitchen table. Something smelled delicious. "Hi Mom, I'm home!" he called. His mom came into the kitchen and opened the oven door. "Just in time!" she said. "Look what I made for you!"



What probably happened next? Use text evidence!

As Maya glanced out the window, she noticed that dark clouds had started to fill the sky. Even though it was early in the afternoon, cars had their headlights on! The trees in front of her house were also beginning to sway. As they moved from side to side, the last of the fall leaves fell to the ground. Birds were flying quickly, and she saw a squirrel scurry up the tree. It was as if they knew something!



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Answers

1. b. Katya and her mom went in the car to pick up Katya's dad from work.
2. d. Isla changed her clothes and stayed home.
3. a. The audience clapped.
4. b. Jimmy and his mom lit some candles.

Read each paragraph. Predict what will happen next and use details from the text to explain your thinking.

First paragraph:

*Accept any reasonable response such as: Jamal's mom probably made cookies.
Also accept any reasonable explanation that includes text evidence such as:
Jamal smelled something delicious.*

Second paragraph:

*Accept any reasonable response such as: It probably started raining.
Also accept any reasonable explanation that includes text evidence such as:
Dark clouds had started to fill the sky.*