

Prediction

Grade 5 Reading Worksheet

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

Read each passage. Then describe what you think will happen next and why.

1. Kara stood at the kitchen counter, looking at the bowl in front of her. She had already cracked two eggs, poured in the milk and whisked everything together. A loaf pan sat on the counter, greased and ready to be used.



“Aren’t you forgetting something?” her older brother asked, raising an eyebrow.

Kara looked around. Three very ripe bananas were sitting on the counter.

“Oh, whoops. It’s hard to make banana bread without the bananas!” she joked.

What probably happened next? Support your answer with text evidence.

2. Stephen hurried into the library just as the bell rang. He had been looking forward to this all throughout math class. He loved reading, and books where you have to figure out the ending were his favorite. Every Friday (which was today), the librarian let students check out the brand-new books from the display near the front of the library.

Mrs. Manuel, the librarian, smiled when she saw him. “You made it just in time!” she said. “There’s only one copy left of the new mystery book everyone seems to want!”



Stephen looked at the display and saw the one she was speaking about right away.

What probably happened next? Support your answer with text evidence.

3. Naia's dad always wished they could live in the countryside. Naia's mom worked in a big company in New York City, though, so it didn't make sense to live somewhere else. He dreamed of having a big yard and not living in an apartment!

As Naia and her dad were walking through the park this morning, they saw a new sign: "Community Garden! Please do not step on the beds." Tiny green plants were just starting to poke through the ground in the first row of the garden.

"Those look like tomatoes!" Naia said. Her dad looked carefully at the garden, nodded and smiled.

A woman nearby was pulling weeds with gardening gloves on her hands. She waved as Naia and her dad approached.



What probably happened next? Support your answer with text evidence.

4. Carlos had a crazy morning. He was finishing his math homework at the kitchen table when his cat jumped up and spilled his sister's bowl of cereal! His mom quickly cleared everything off the table to clean it up. His cat had never done anything like that before!

Then, later this morning, Carlos opened up his backpack during math class and frowned. His blue math folder was missing. There was his red reading folder, his math book and his pencil case... but his blue folder was not in there. He looked in his backpack's other pocket, but it wasn't there either.

"Carlos, what happened?" his math teacher asked.



What probably happened next? Support your answer with text evidence.

Answers

Sample answers are provided below.

Accept other answers if they are supported by details from the text.

1. I predict that Kara mashed the bananas and put them into the batter because the text said that she was making banana bread but forgot the bananas.
2. I predict Stephen borrowed the new mystery book from the library because the text said he loves books where you have to figure out the ending and there is a new mystery book available.
3. I predict Naia's dad volunteered to help with the community garden because the text said he dreamed of having a big yard and he just discovered this garden.
4. I predict Carlos must have forgotten his math homework at home because the text said his mom had cleared off the table after his cat spilled the cereal and his homework had been there.