READING A SHORT STORY

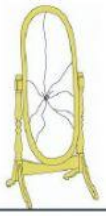
Reading comprehension and vocabulary activities.

I. Write the correct word on the line.

forest - mysterious - show - break - huge







II. Read the story.

The Mirror

adapted from The Evil Mirror by Hilda Lima

Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez bought a mirror in an old antique shop. The salesman told them the mirror was haunted, but Mr. Rodriguez was incredulous. At home, Mr. Rodriguez hung the mirror in the library, and he showed the mirror to his sons Charly and Eddie.



Later that day, the boys invited their friend Mario to play at their house. The three boys stood in front of the mirror and made funny faces. Suddenly, a mysterious forest appeared inside. The boys were super curious about the forest inside the mirror. Charly, Eddie, and Mario decided to enter the mirror. The boys walked in the forest until they found a lagoon. The three boys swam happily in the lagoon until three huge crocodiles attacked them! They got out and ran as fast as they could. Creatures with red eyes scared the boys. They ran desperately through the forest until they escaped the mirror and returned home. Finally, back at home, Charly broke the mirror with a baseball bat. The boys felt relieved, and they kept the secret about the Evil Mirror forever.

* haunted: embrujado *suddenly: de repente *desperately: desesperadamente * through: a través *until: hasta que * relieved: aliviados

III. Answer the questions. Use **Yes, they did.** **or** **No, they didn't.** .

1. Did Mr. and Mrs. Miranda buy a TV?
2. Did three crocodiles attack the boys?
3. Did the boys swim in a swimming pool?
4. Did the boys make funny faces in front of the mirror?
5. Did the boys escape the mirror?
6. Did the boys tell their **parents** what happened?

*parents: padres (mamá y papá)

IV. Number the events 1-8 in the order they happened in the story.



_____ A forest appeared in the mirror.

_____ Mr. Rodriguez showed the mirror to Charly and Eddie.

_____ Charly, Eddie, and Mario made funny faces in front of the mirror.

_____ Three huge crocodiles attacked the boys.

__8__ The boys broke the evil mirror with a baseball bat.

_____ Charly, Eddie, and Mario returned home.

_____ Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez bought an ancient mirror.

_____ Charly, Eddie, and Mario entered the mirror, and they swam in a lagoon.

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