

Vocabulary Practice

adventure	delighted	dreamed	enjoyed
grumbled	moonlight	neighbor	nighttime

Read the story. Choose words from the box to complete the sentences. Then write the answers on the lines.

The sky got dark when _____ came. Max
_____ that the end of the day was boring.

"Let's take a walk outside," said Mom. "The stars and
_____ can light our way."

They walked down the street. Max was surprised and
_____ to see an owl fly by. They passed the
house of a _____. There was a light shining in
each window.

Max and Mom returned home. "What did you think
of our night _____?" asked Mom.

"I really _____ it," said Max. I never
_____ that night could be exciting!"

Reading Practice

Read the passage “Max and Eddie Watch Clouds” before answering Numbers 1 through 5.

Max and Eddie Watch Clouds

It was a bright, sunny afternoon. Max and Eddie looked at the sky. They sat in their home in the branches. Their tails moved softly in the wind.

“Max,” asked Eddie, “why do clouds not fall from the sky?”

“I do not know, Eddie,” said Max.

“Everything else falls,” said Eddie. “Apples and leaves fall. Even this acorn falls.” Eddie dropped an acorn. “But we have never seen a cloud fall.”

“I have a plan,” said Max. “We will watch the sky tomorrow. Maybe we will see what happens to the clouds.”

The next day, there were lots of white clouds. The squirrels watched them all morning and all afternoon. Then it started to get dark. The clouds moved across the sky. They grew bigger, but they did not fall.

“Rats!” said Eddie. “I wonder if we missed something.” Max and Eddie were very confused.

The next day, the clouds grew bigger. They started to turn gray. “Oh, it looks like it might rain. We should go inside,” said Eddie.

“No,” said Max. “We have to watch the clouds.”

So Max and Eddie waited. It got darker, and soon there was no sunlight in the sky. Big, gray clouds covered everything. Then it started to rain.

The squirrels tried covering themselves with their tails. It was no use. They got wetter and wetter as they watched. Finally, the rain stopped. There were no clouds in the sky.

“Hey, the clouds are gone!” said Max. “Do you think they fell?”

“Max,” said Eddie. “We watched the whole time. We did not see any clouds fall.”

"But after the rain stopped, the clouds were gone," said Max.

"So clouds are made of rain!" cried Eddie.

"Yes! So clouds do fall!" said Eddie.

A rainbow came out, and Max and Eddie smiled.



Now answer Numbers 1 through 5. Base your answers on "Max and Eddie Watch Clouds."

- 1 Read the paragraph from the story.

It was a bright, sunny afternoon. Max and Eddie looked at the sky. They sat in their home in the branches. Their tails moved softly in the wind.

Which word from the paragraph is a compound word?

- (A) sunny
- (B) afternoon
- (C) branches
- (D) softly

- 2 Fill in the chart. Show what happens at the beginning and end of the story. Choose the sentences from the box. Write them in the chart.

Beginning	
End	

Sentences:

Max and Eddie watch the sky.

Max and Eddie see rain fall.

- 3 Read the paragraph from the story.

So Max and Eddie waited. It got darker, and soon there was no sunlight in the sky. Big, gray clouds covered everything. Then it started to rain.

Which word from the paragraph is a compound word?

- (A) waited
- (B) covered
- (C) everything
- (D) started

- 4 What happens **right after** it starts to rain?

- (A) Eddie drops an acorn.
- (B) Max and Eddie get wet.
- (C) Max and Eddie go inside.
- (D) Max and Eddie watch the sky.

- 5 This question has two parts. First, answer part A. Then, answer part B.

Part A: What happens at the **end** of the story?

- (A) Max and Eddie make it rain.
- (B) Max and Eddie make a plan.
- (C) Max and Eddie watch the clouds get bigger.
- (D) Max and Eddie learn that clouds fall as rain.

Part B: Which sentence from the story tells what happens?

- (A) The clouds moved across the sky.
- (B) "Oh, it looks like it might rain."
- (C) They got wetter and wetter as they watched.
- (D) "So clouds are made of rain!" cried Eddie.