

READING → A NEW SCHOOL

Tracey starts a new school today. She is very sad. She is very scared.

_ “I don’t want to go to the school today!” _Tracey tells her dad.

_ “ I don’t understand, sweetheart” _dad says. “Starting a new school can be very scary”.

_ “I feel sick” _Tracey says. “My stomach hurts. I can’t eat breakfast”.

_ “I think that is because you are nervous” _dad says. He gives Tracey a little hug and says: “Try drinking a little juice. Then, I will walk you to the school”.

Tracey and her dad walk to school. Tracey thinks about many things:

“Will I make friends?”, “will I like my teacher?”, “will boys and girls laugh at me?”.

_ “We are here” _says dad.

Tracey looks at the big building. Her other school was small. She takes a deep breath. She walks into the sixth grade classroom.

_ “That must be Tracey!” _she hears a boy say.

_ “Hello Tracey!”

_ “Let me show you around!”

Everyone seems kind. Tracey feels a little better. But she is still not happy. She is still a little scared.

After school, Dad picks Tracey up.

“How was your day?” he says.

“Okay” she says.

“It will get better” dad says. “Big changes are hard”.

“I know” says Tracey. She reaches for her dad’s hand to hold as they walk home.

1. Why is Tracey sad and scared?

- a- She is moving to a new house today.
- b- She is moving to a new town today.
- c- She is starting a new school today.
- d- She is walking to the cinema today.

2. What grade is Tracey in?

- a- second grade
- b- third grade
- c- fourth grade
- d- sixth grade

3. Why does Tracey feel sick?

- a- because she is sleepy
- b- because she is nervous
- c- because she is cold
- d- because she eats too much

4. What does Dad tell Tracey to do before school?

- a- stop crying
- b- get her bag
- c- drink some juice
- d- put on her shoes

5. How do Tracey and Dad get to school?

- a- they drive by car
- b- they walk
- c- they run
- d- they take the bus

6. How is Tracey's new school like?

- a- big
- b- dirty
- c- loud
- d- small

7. How do the children in Tracey's class seem?

- a- kind
- b- smart
- c- funny
- d- different

8. How do Tracey and Dad go back home?

- a- they drive, by car
- b- they walk
- c- they run
- d- they take the bus