

## Reading Comprehension (Classification)

Read the passage below. Then answer the questions that follow.

### The Animal Parade



My mother sent me to the store,  
to buy meat, eggs & bread;  
I came home with a puppy  
and a parakeet instead.



I also bought a guinea pig,  
a snake and a cat;  
A turtle and a lizard  
And a furry, fat brown rat.



The animals went crazy  
When I turned their remote controls on;  
They barked and oinked and hissed so loud  
that my parents both wanted them all gone.



They grounded me and promised  
never to let me shop anymore;  
Then, they made me take the animals  
back to the store.

1. Based on information from the passage, what helps us to conclude that the boy disobeyed his parents?

2. Where does the conversation between the boy and his parents take place?

3. Select the answer that best explains the meaning of the term '**store**' as used in the first line of the poem.

A building of any size or kind

A place used for storing furniture

A place where items are sold

A room used for working out

4. Use the words in the box to complete the chart below.

squeak	hiss	oink
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**Animal**

**Sound**

(a) Pig

(b) Snake

5. '**The animal's body was covered with a soft coat of hair.**'

Write the word from verse two of the poem that has the same meaning as '**soft coat of hair.**'

6. Select that statement that best shows cause and effect, according to the poem.

**The boys parents wanted the animals out of the house because...**

7. Select the best answer. Which of the following statements best describes the phrase '**the animals went crazy**' as it is used in this statement?

The animals all made loud sounds at the same time.

The animal sounds together were unbearable.

The animals were running around the house wildly.

The animals were moving and shouting uncontrollably.

8. State one fact from the poem which tells us that the boy's parents punished him for his actions.

9. Using the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 order the statements below in the way in which the events happened in the story.

\_\_\_\_\_ The boy took the animals back to the store.

\_\_\_\_\_ The boy played with the remote controls.

\_\_\_\_\_ The animals made loud noises.

\_\_\_\_\_ The boy's parents were angry with him.