DAILY Warm-Up 3

Name _____ Date _____

YANKEE FEVER

For as long as Matthew could remember, he had been dreaming of watching Babe Ruth play in Yankee Stadium. The time had finally come. Matthew was still not old enough to go to the game by himself, but he had a seat reserved just for him. His seat happened to be in the branches of the tree just outside the fence. He had paid lots of money to Big Jim for the seat. He was so excited he could hardly sleep that night.

The next day after school, Matthew helped his mom fix dinner and even did the dishes afterwards.

Matthew hustled out the door and ran towards Yankee Stadium. "Be back by 9:00," he shouted.

He felt as though his heart might pound right out of his chest. He couldn't believe it. Big Jim and the boys were all waiting when Matthew got there. Matthew swung his leg over the branch and climbed up. He sat down on his designated branch and peered through the holes of a fence enclosing Yankee Stadium.

The janitor came strolling by. Matthew tried to keep from being seen. He was afraid to get caught. If the janitor caught you, he sent you home. But tonight, there was a new janitor.

Just then little Danny fell out of the tree. He screamed in pain and the janitor turned to look. He helped Danny up and brought him into the stadium. "The rest of you can join me," he called.

The boys looked at each other in disbelief. They all jumped from the tree and hurried inside the stadium. They didn't need to be asked twice.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. What is the meaning of the word *designated* as used in this passage?
   a. free
   b. last
   c. assigned
   d. original

2. According to the passage, which sentence shows how Matthew feels about the new janitor?
   a. Matthew tried to keep from being seen.
   b. The boys looked at each other in disbelief.
   c. He screamed in pain and the janitor turned to look.
   d. He helped Danny up and brought him into the stadium. "The rest of you can join me," he called.

3. Which paragraph shows the resolution to the problem in the passage?
   a. second paragraph
   b. sixth paragraph
   c. fourth paragraph
   d. last paragraph

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