



Diary of Ben's tennis ball

I was in a plastic tub all week. On Saturday, I hear the dishes being put in the dishwasher and then Ben's footsteps hurrying down the hall. He packed me in a backpack along with a bottle of water and a towel.

I was feeling cold next to the water bottle. Then Ben's cycle went over a big bump and I thankfully landed on top of the towel!

At the tennis court there was an initial warm-up exercise. After that, I was whacked over a net and Ben's partner's racquet hit me back.

Once, Ben mishit me and I went head-first into the net. He had to squeeze me out of the hole I was stuck in. Another time I ended up in a puddle at the back of the court. It wasn't so bad getting wet as I was pretty hot and bothered by this time!

When we go home, Ben took his water bottle out of his backpack and left the zip open. Shortly afterwards, I saw a wet nose sniffing in the bag. Rufus, Ben's dog, had sniffed me out! I spent fifteen minutes in his wet mouth. Next, he dropped me in the itchy sand.

Finally, he got tired and dropped me near the bin. I rolled behind it to hide.

Practicing Sequencing – Choose the best answer.

1. What happened first?
2. What was the first thing Ben did when he got home from tennis practice?

Match the events to the correct number to show the sequence of events (1 will be what happened first, 4 will be what happened last)

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| The tennis ball was put in the backpack. | 1 |
| The tennis ball was in the plastic tub. | 2 |
| The tennis ball heard footsteps in the hall. | 3 |
| The tennis ball heard the dishes being put in the dishwasher. | 4 |