

READ THE PASSAGE What happens to the main character that is fantasy?

The Flute

Once upon a time, there was a young man named Len. He was unhappy because he wasn't good at sports. Len's older brother was very good at shooting his bow and arrow. Len's younger brother could ride a horse very well. Len wanted to do something very well, too.

One day, Len took a walk in the woods. He heard some beautiful music. He followed the sound. But he could not tell where it was coming from.

Just then a woodpecker appeared. "The music is coming from this dry branch," it said. "I pecked the holes with my beak. The wind makes the music when it goes through the holes."

"I wish that I could make music like that," Len said. "Then I would be special."

"Break the branch from the tree and take it with you," said the woodpecker.

Len went home and played his new flute for everyone. The people in his town loved the music. His brothers clapped. Len felt happy.

SKILL PRACTICE Read the question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

1. Why does Len feel sad?
 - Ⓐ He has lost his bow and arrow.
 - Ⓑ He is not good at sports.
 - Ⓒ He wants his own horse.
 - Ⓓ He cannot find the music.
2. Which one is make-believe?
 - Ⓐ wind that blows
 - Ⓑ brothers who clap
 - Ⓒ a woodpecker that talks
 - Ⓓ a boy who makes music
3. How is Len different at the end of the story?
 - Ⓐ He does not care about sports.
 - Ⓑ He has a woodpecker for a friend.
 - Ⓒ He can ride a horse.
 - Ⓓ He can do something well.
4. Which one could be real?
 - Ⓐ A brother rides a horse.
 - Ⓑ A tree plays a tune.
 - Ⓒ A young man obeys a bird.
 - Ⓓ A bird makes a flute.

STRATEGY PRACTICE Write to tell something you do well or would like to do well.