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## READING COMPREHENSION

### Making Judgements

**Instructions:** Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Blake enjoyed playing baseball. It has been his favorite sport since he was 7 years old. He liked the challenge. Being in junior high was good for him. He was able to join a junior league baseball team called the Grovers. They practiced three times per week. Sometimes he enjoyed it, while at other times, he thought it was a real drag. He was often excited when the league was off for the summer.



One summer day, Blake and three of his friends decided to play baseball in the street outside his house. He considered for a very brief moment that it could be risky; but they played anyway. He was looking forward to winning. His friend pitched the ball. SMACK! Blake batted the ball with great skill; but to his dismay, the ball went straight through his mom's car window. "I knew we were playing too close to the car!" he thought to himself, as he quietly picked up the glass pieces.

1. Name the main character in the story above. \_\_\_\_\_
2. State why baseball was his favorite sport. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Give the name of his baseball team. \_\_\_\_\_
4. (a). Did he enjoy practicing often? \_\_\_\_\_  
(b). Use evidence from the passage to support your answer.  
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5. Was his decision to play baseball in the street a good idea? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Compare how he felt before the game and after.  
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