

READ THE STORY. CHOOSE A WORD FROM THE BOX. WRITE THE CORRECT WORD NEXT TO NUMBERS 1-5. THERE IS ONE EXAMPLE.



out (*example*)

air

far

long

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wind

wood

shining

took

ride

One day, Sarah went out on her bicycle to buy an ice cream. Last night, it rained very heavily. But today, the sun was **out**. On the pavement, Sarah could see big puddles. They looked blue and white because the sun was **1.** on them. Sarah rode through the first puddle and splashes of water flew up in the **2.** . She almost got wet but she was very excited. She thought to herself, “I should come to Katy’s house to ask her to come out and play in the puddles with me. She will like it very much.”

Then she turned around and rode her bicycle to Katy’s house. Her house was a **3.** distance away from Sarah’s house. After an hour, Sarah got to Katy’s house. She shouted, “Katy, come out! I have something very interesting to show you!” Sarah **4.** her bicycle out and they went to the puddles together. When they got there the puddles had become very small. “It is such a pity,” said Sarah. “I wanted us to **5.** our bicycles through the puddles and see splashes of water, but now there is not much water.” Then Katy said, “Well, if we can’t play in the puddles, can we go to get some ice cream?” Sarah suddenly realised that she had come out to buy ice cream, not to play in the puddles.

6. Now choose the best name for the story

Write a letter:

- A. Katy's dolls
- B. The puddles on the pavement
- C. 2 friends on a bicycle ride

THE RIVER NILE

The River Nile is the **most** important river in Africa. 1. people think of the Nile, people often think of Egypt, but it actually flows through 11 different countries. In the past, people thought the Nile was the 2. river in the world, but the Amazon River in South America is 3. In the past, the Nile was the highway of Egypt. People travelled up and 4. the Nile in boats, while ships 5. food on it. People along the Nile needed it for water, food and land to farm on. Many crops were 6. along the Nile River. Wheat was the 7. important crop and was grown to make bread and beer. Farmers also grew peas, beans and 8. such as watermelons. But how could people farm on dry land? The answer is that the River Nile flooded 9. August! When it flooded, the soil carried nutrients in the water and the nutrients then spread across the river banks. This is 10. perfect condition for growing crops.

IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

Sophia lived with her grandmother in a small house in the countryside. The house was pretty with a rose garden at the front. In the back garden, her grandmother had also planted a lot of flowers and other vegetables. The only problem was that the house was very far from the village market, so they often had to travel a long way to the market to buy groceries.

One day, Sophia's grandmother had to go to the market. Sophia wanted to come along with her but she couldn't go because it was raining heavily. After her grandmother left, Sophia suddenly felt very lonely. She looked around the house and saw another umbrella in the corner of her grandmother's room.

She took the umbrella and then left the house. As the market was far away, she felt afraid. The rain was very heavy and the wind was strong. But Sophia continued.

At the market, there were a lot of people. It was very crowded and noisy. Sophia was looking everywhere, but she couldn't see her grandmother. At last, she saw her grandmother at a cheese stall. She ran up to her grandmother and cried. Her grandmother was very surprised. But she also smiled because she was proud of Sophia. She knew Sophia was no longer a shy little girl.

Examples:

1. Sophia lived with her **grandmother**.
2. Sophia's grandmother often had to go to the market to buy **groceries**

Questions:

1. In front of grandmother's house, there was a .
2. At first, Sophia couldn't come to the market because it was hard.
3. Sophia felt very after her grandmother left for the market.
4. Sophia found an umbrella in the of her grandmother's room.
5. Because Sophia had never been to the market before, she felt .
6. When Sophia was at the market, she felt that the market was .
7. Sophia found her grandmother at a stall.

Hi Helen,

How are you? This is my first week at school. I'm in the library doing my homework. I have lots to do already, but I still miss you.

At school, I also have many friends and they are all nice to me. We study many 1. , but my favourite one is Maths. I have Maths lessons two 2. a week. I also have other lessons, but they are not 3. fun as Maths.

In the afternoon, I often go to the library to read books. Sometimes

I 4. sports in the playground. Sometimes I go to the canteen. They sell many kinds of foods, like sandwiches, hamburgers and fries. The smell of the food is very nice, it 5. me hungry! I should go there to get some ice cream now.

Please write back soon,

Holly