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Read the selection. Then answer the questions that follow.**Makoto's Garden**

Every day after school, Makoto helped her grandmother in the garden. One day Makoto asked her grandmother if she could have a plant of her own.

Grandmother smiled and said, "First, get a pot and fill it with dirt from the shed."

Makoto came back with a pot filled with dirt. "What's next?" she asked.

Grandmother showed Makoto some packages of seeds.

"What do you want to grow?" she asked.

Makoto chose the tomato seeds. Then her grandmother showed her how to bury the seeds in the dirt and gently water them.

"Now the pot needs to get some sun," said Grandmother.

Turn the page.

Answer the questions below.

1 When did Makoto plant her seeds?

- after she watered them
- after she put the dirt in the pot
- after she put the pot in the sun
- before she got the dirt from the shed

2 How can you tell that Makoto liked gardening?

- She liked tomatoes.
- She knew how to plant seeds.
- She asked for her own plant.
- She played outside after school.

3 If the pot of seeds gets enough sun and water, what will happen *next*?

- It will be time for school.
- Grandmother will be angry at Makoto.
- Tomato plants will start to grow.
- Makoto will fill the pot with dirt.

4 From this story, what can you tell about Makoto's grandmother?

Common Core State Standards

Questions 1–3: Literature 1. Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers. **Question 4: Literature 3.** Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.