



Text 1



Read the story.

One Sunday afternoon, Kitty and her mum were in a department store. Kitty had a big blue backpack. It was full of library books and very heavy. The librarian joked it was as heavy as a baby elephant! Kitty put it down on the floor while they waited for the lift. There was a man behind them. He also had a big blue backpack. He put his down on the floor too.



They were about to get in the lift when suddenly Mum's phone started ringing. It was Kitty's brother Paul. 'I hurt my leg, Mum,' he said. 'Could you pick me up in the park, please?' Mum turned to Kitty and said, 'We need to go immediately to help Paul!' Kitty grabbed a backpack and they left quickly. Behind them the lift doors closed with a quiet whoosh.



In the park, Kitty and her mum saw Paul. 'What happened?' asked Mum. 'I was on the climbing frame. I fell and cut my leg,' said Paul. 'It really hurts.' Mum put her arm around him. 'Don't worry,' she said. 'We'll take care of you.' Kitty picked up her backpack. 'You can read one of my library books,' she said. 'Oh no! This isn't

mine! My backpack has my name on it!' said Kitty. 'Whose backpack is it?' asked Paul. 'There was a man by the lift,' said Kitty. 'He had a blue backpack too. Maybe it's his.'

Kitty opened the backpack. It was full of necklaces, earrings and rings. 'Whose jewellery is this?' asked Kitty. Mum thought. 'It's unusual for one person to have so much jewellery,' she said. 'Maybe he is a thief. We must call the police immediately.'



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**B** Read the story again and write short answers.

- 1 Read lines 21–22: This isn't mine!
What does the word 'mine' refer to? _____
- 2 Find a word in the story which describes a soft
sound made by something moving fast. _____
- 3 How did Kitty know the backpack was not hers?

- 4 Why did Mum think the man was a thief?

**C** Finish Kitty's diary entry using words from the story.

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Today I picked up the wrong ❶ _____. It was full of ❷ _____.

I hope the ❸ _____ can find mine. I want my library books!

**D** Blacken ● the circles.

- 1 Read line 12: Kitty grabbed a backpack ...
What does 'grabbed' mean?

Try all the options in the sentence.
Which one makes sense?

- ☐ A. put ☐ B. took ☐ C. found ☐ D. gave

- ★ 2 Read lines 4–5. Why did the librarian say Kitty's backpack was 'as heavy as a baby elephant'?

Read the previous sentence.



- ☐ A. There was a book about baby elephants in the backpack.
☐ B. The librarian wanted to show that the backpack was very heavy.
☐ C. The librarian thought elephants were funny.
☐ D. There was a baby elephant on Kitty's backpack.

- ★ 3 Which is the best title for the story?

- ☐ A. The wrong backpack ☐ B. Catching a thief
☐ C. An accident in the park ☐ D. Clever Kitty