1ST GRADE READING · FICTION

Ben's First Bus Ride



Name _____ Date _____

Fiction | 91 words | Characters' feelings

I read it: ☆ to myself ☆ to a grown-up ☆ to a friend

1 Today was Ben's first day on the school bus. He stood at the bus stop with his dad. His **tummy** felt funny.

2 The bus came down the street and stopped. The door opened with a **whoosh.** The driver waved. "Good morning!" she said.

3 Ben **climbed** the steps. He sat next to a girl named Lily. Lily had a book about sharks. "I like sharks too," said Ben.

4 They talked about sharks all the way to school. When the bus stopped, Ben was smiling. "See you on the bus home," said Lily.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Ben's First Bus Ride: questions

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I can find answers in the text. Look back at the story to check.

1 Circle the best answer

1. Who waited at the bus stop with Ben?

a) his dad b) his sister c) his teacher

2. Who did Ben sit next to?

a) the driver b) Lily c) his dad

3. What did Ben and Lily talk about?

a) trains b) sharks c) dogs

2 Put the events in order. Write 1, 2, 3, 4.

☐ Ben got to school smiling.

☐ Ben sat next to Lily.

☐ The bus door opened.

☐ Ben waited at the bus stop.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Ben's First Bus Ride: words and writing

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1 Match each word to its meaning. Draw a line.

tummy	a soft rushing sound
climbed	went up
whoosh	belly

2 Write your answer in a full sentence.

How did Ben feel *at the start of the story*? How did he feel *at the end*?

3 Draw your favorite part of the story.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Answer key: Ben's First Bus Ride

1 Circle the best answer

1. a) his dad
2. b) Lily
3. b) sharks

2 Order of events

Numbers as printed, top to bottom: 4, 3, 2, 1

1. Ben waited at the bus stop.
2. The bus door opened.
3. Ben sat next to Lily.
4. Ben got to school smiling.

3 Word meanings

tummy: belly

climbed: went up

whoosh: a soft rushing sound

4 Written answer (sample) 💡

At the start he felt nervous (his tummy felt funny). At the end he felt happy; he was smiling.

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