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The Box Fort on Moving Day

Circle group

Today Cora's family moved. The new house was big and empty. Her voice made an echo.

"I want my old room," said Cora.

Dad put the boxes in the hall. Cora looked at the big boxes. She had an idea.

She pushed three boxes in a square. She put a quilt on top. She crawled in with her flashlight.

Her little brother crawled in too. "This is our new house," he said.

Cora smiled. It felt cozy now.

Questions

1. Why did the family have boxes?

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2. What did Cora hear when she spoke?

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3. What went on top of the boxes?

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4. Who crawled in with Cora?

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5. Why did the house feel better at the end?

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Words to know

empty: with nothing inside it
echo: a sound that bounces back and repeats
quilt: a thick blanket made from pieces of cloth

cozy: warm, soft and safe

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Triangle group

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"I want my old room," said Cora.

Dad had stacked the boxes in the hall. Cora looked at the biggest box. She had an idea.

She pushed three boxes into a square. She put a quilt on top. She crawled inside with her flashlight.

Her little brother crawled in too. "This is our new house," he said.

Cora smiled. It felt cozy now. The house did not seem so empty, and she began to feel at home.

Questions

1. Why did Cora's family have boxes?

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2. What did Cora hear when she spoke in the new house?

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3. What did Cora put on top of the boxes?

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4. Who crawled in with Cora?

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Square group

Today was the day that Cora's family moved. The new house was big and completely empty, and when Cora spoke, her voice made an echo.

"I want my old room back," Cora said sadly.

Dad had stacked all the boxes in the hallway. Cora studied the biggest ones, and suddenly she had an idea.

She pushed three large boxes into the shape of a square and spread a quilt across the top. Then she crawled inside with her flashlight.

Her little brother crawled in after her. "This is our new house," he announced.

Cora smiled, because the new place finally felt cozy.

Questions

1. Why were there so many boxes in the hallway?

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2. What did Cora hear when she spoke in the empty house?

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3. What did Cora spread across the top of the boxes?

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4. Who crawled inside the fort after Cora?

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5. Why did the new house finally feel cozy to Cora?

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For the teacher: The Box Fort on Moving Day

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: The Box Fort on Moving Day

Easier · 78 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.1

1. They had moved to a new house.
2. An echo.
3. A quilt.
4. Her little brother.
5. The box fort was a cozy place of her own.

Triangle: The Box Fort on Moving Day

This passage · 93 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.4

1. They had just moved to a new house.
2. An echo.
3. A quilt.
4. Her little brother.
5. The box fort made a cozy place that felt like hers.

Square: The Box Fort on Moving Day

Harder · 102 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 4.2

1. Cora's family had just moved into a new house.
2. An echo.
3. A quilt.
4. Her little brother.
5. The box fort gave her a small, warm place that felt like her own.