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Saving the Seat by the Window

Circle group

Lena loves the seat by the bus window. She sits there each day.

Today a new girl gets on. Her name is Ana. She looks down. She holds her bag tight.

No seats are left. Only Lena has room.

"Sit here," says Lena. She slides over. Ana gets the window.

Ana smiles. A dog runs by. They wave.

Questions

1. Where does Lena like to sit?

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2. What is the new girl's name?

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3. What does Lena say to Ana?

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4. What runs by the window?

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5. Why does Ana smile?

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Words to know

window: glass in a wall that you can see through
slide: to move smoothly to another spot
tight: held close and firm

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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Saving the Seat by the Window

Triangle group

Lena loves the seat by the bus window. She sits there every day.

Today a new girl gets on. Her name is Ana. She looks down. She holds her bag tight.

Lena sees no seats left. Only Lena has room.

"Sit here," says Lena. She slides over, so Ana can have the window.

Ana looks out and smiles. A dog runs by. They both wave. Lena likes the aisle too.

Questions

1. Where does Lena like to sit?

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2. What is the new girl's name?

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3. What does Lena say to Ana?

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4. What runs by the window?

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5. Why does Ana smile?

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Words to know

window: glass in a wall that you can see through
slide: to move smoothly to another spot
aisle: the path between rows of seats
tight: held close and firm

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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Saving the Seat by the Window

Square group

Lena loves the seat next to the bus window, and she sits there every single morning.

Today a new girl climbs onto the bus. Her name is Ana. She keeps her eyes on the floor and holds her bag very tightly.

Lena notices that every seat is taken, except for the one beside her.

"Please sit here," says Lena. She slides over so that Ana can have the window.

Ana looks outside and smiles. A dog runs past, and the two girls wave at it together. Lena finds that she likes the aisle seat, too.

Questions

1. Where does Lena love to sit every morning?

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2. What is the name of the new girl?

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3. What does Lena say to Ana?

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4. What runs past the window?

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5. Why does Ana smile?

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Words to know

window: glass in a wall that you can see through
slide: to move smoothly to another spot
aisle: the path between rows of seats

tight: held close and firm

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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For the teacher: Saving the Seat by the Window

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

Circle: Saving the Seat by the Window

Easier · 58 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.3

1. By the bus window.
2. Ana.
3. Sit here.
4. A dog.
5. Lena is kind and gives her the window.

Triangle: Saving the Seat by the Window

This passage · 70 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.5

1. By the bus window.
2. Ana.
3. Sit here.
4. A dog.
5. Lena was kind and gave her the best seat.

Square: Saving the Seat by the Window

Harder · 95 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.3

1. Next to the bus window.
2. Ana.
3. Please sit here.
4. A dog.
5. Lena was kind and let her have the window seat.