

Introduction

Short Story:

Worksheet: Reading Fun!

Name: ______ Date: _____

Activity: Read the short story below. Then, answer the questions.

"My name is Sam. I have a sister. Her name is Kim. We have a pet fish. It is yellow."

| Hello! This paper will help you learn how to read in English. Reading is a fun way to get better at English. Let's start! | | | |
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| Part 1: Before You Read - Look for Clues | | | |
| Before you read a story, look for clues! The title and first sentence can tell you what the story is about. | | | |
| Activity: Read the title and first sentence below. What do you think the story is about? Write your answer on the line. | | | |
| Title: My Trip to the Farm | | | |
| First Sentence: I saw a big, red barn at the farm. | | | |
| What is the story about? | | | |
| Part 2: While You Read - Find Words You Know | | | |
| As you read, look for words you already know. These are called important words. They help you understand the main idea. | | | |
| Example: | | | |
| "The dog is happy." | | | |
| You know "dog" and "happy." The sentence is about a happy dog! | | | |
| Activity: Read the sentences below. Circle the words you know. | | | |
| 1. My cat is small. | | | |
| 2. I like to play. | | | |
| 3. The sky is blue. | | | |
| Part 3: After You Read - Answer Questions | | | |
| When you finish reading, answer some easy questions. This helps you remember the story. | | | |

| Questions: | | | | |
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| 1. | What i | s the boy's name? | | |
| 2. | What i | s his sister's name? | | |
| 3. | What k | rind of pet do they have? | | |
| 4. | What o | color is the pet? | | |
| Part 4: Word Matching | | | | |
| Natch the word on the left with what it means on the right. | | | | |
| 1. | Ball | | | |
| | 0 | A place where we live. | | |
| 2. | House | | | |
| | 0 | A fun, round toy for a game. | | |
| 3. | Tree | | | |
| | 0 | A big green plant in a park. | | |
| 4. | Sun | | | |
| | 0 | The bright star we see in the day. | | |
| Questi | Questions & Answers | | | |
| his se | his section is for a teacher or a grown-up to check your work. | | | |
| Answers for Part 1: Before You Read | | | | |
| • | Possibl | e Answer: The story is about a person's trip to a farm. | | |
| Answers for Part 2: While You Read | | | | |
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| | 1. | My cat is small. | | |
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| | 2. | I like to play. | | |
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| | 3. | The sky is blue. | | |
| | 0 | (Note: The words they circle may be different, and that's okay! The goal is for them to find words they know.) | | |
| Answers for Part 3: After You Read | | | | |
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- 1. What is the boy's name? Sam 2. What is his sister's name? Kim 3. What kind of pet do they have? A fish 4. What color is the pet? Yellow **Answers for Part 4: Word Matching** 1. Ball -> A fun, round toy for a game. 2. House -> A place where we live. 3. Tree -> A big green plant in a park. 4. Sun -> The bright star we see in the day. 25 Practice Questions & Answers **Questions:** 1. Why is it good to look at the title before you read? 2. What is an "important word"? 3. Why do we look for words we know when we read?
 - 4. What do you do after you read a story?
 - 5. What is the name for the trick where you guess what a story is about?
 - 6. How can reading help you with English?
 - 7. Read: "The big yellow boat is on the water." What color is the boat?
 - 8. Read: "My friend has a bike. It is red." What color is the bike?
 - 9. Read: "Dad is in the car. He is driving." Where is Dad?
 - 10. Read: "The little bird can fly." What can the bird do?
 - 11. Read: "It is a rainy day. I stay inside." What is the weather like?
 - 12. Read: "I have a blue shirt and a green hat." What color is the hat?
 - 13. Read: "The candy is sweet." What is the word for the candy's taste?

- 14. Read: "The water is cold." What is a word for the water's feel?15. Read: "Mom and Dad are tall." What is a word to describe Mom and Dad?16. Read: "Dogs like to run." What do dogs like to do?
- 17. Read: "The cat is asleep on the rug." Where is the cat?
- 18. Read: "I have a new toy truck. It is big." What do I have?
- 19. Read: "My brother's name is John. He is 5." What is my brother's name?
- 20. Read: "The book is open. I am reading it." What am I doing?
- 21. What is the name of the trick where you use other words to guess a new word?
- 22. What is the name of the trick where you answer questions to see what you remember?
- 23. Read: "Bananas grow on trees. They are a fruit." What is a banana?
- 24. Read: "The baby is crying. It is sad." How is the baby feeling?
- 25. Read: "The clock says 3 o'clock. It is time for school." What does the clock say?

Answers:

- 1. To get an idea of what the story is about.
- 2. A word you already know.
- 3. They help you understand what the story is talking about.
- 4. You answer questions to see if you understood it.
- 5. Before you read, you guess what it is about.
- 6. It helps you learn new words and how to make sentences.
- 7. Yellow.
- 8. Red.
- 9. In the car.
- 10. Fly.
- 11. Rainy.
- 12. Green.
- 13. Sweet.
- 14. Cold.
- 15. Tall.
- 16. Run.
- 17. On the rug.
- 18. A new toy truck.
- 19. John.

| 20. Reading. |
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| 21. Using other words as clues. |
| 22. After you read, you answer questions. |
| 23. A fruit. |
| 24. Sad. |
| 25. 3 o'clock. |
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