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## My Best Friend

My name is Lisa. My best friend is a lady who lives on our street. She waits for me every day after school, even if it is raining. Sometimes she tells me stories about her life. She often bakes cookies for me and helps me do my homework. Yesterday, as a special treat, she let me pick flowers from her garden.

My mom tells me not to bother the lady, but I know that she likes having me for a friend, too. She says that her family lives far away and sometimes she gets lonely.



1 What does the lady do for Lisa?

- bakes cookies
- plays in the rain
- writes stories
- stays after school

3 Which of these happened only once?

- baking cookies
- telling stories
- picking flowers
- doing homework

2 Who is lonely?

- Lisa
- Mom
- the family
- the lady

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## Justin and Danny

Justin has a new baby brother. His name is Danny. Danny came home from the hospital last week. At first Justin was happy to see Danny. Then Danny started to cry. He wiggled and squirmed and screamed until his face turned red.

Justin wasn't sure what to do. He tried making funny faces. He even tried singing to Danny. But Danny just cried harder. Finally, Mom let Justin give his new brother a bottle of milk. This made Danny stop crying and smile at his big brother.



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Which of these things made the baby feel better?

- smiling at his brother
- meeting Justin
- coming home from the hospital
- drinking a bottle of milk

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The story says that Justin

- made funny faces
- started to cry
- screamed until his face turned red
- wiggled and squirmed

## Answer Key

### SAT Standard

Determine explicit action or sequence of events

Determine explicit supporting details

### SSS Benchmark

LAA211: Determines the main idea or essential message from a text and identifies supporting information. (Summarizes a story in sequence.)

LAE112: Identifies the story elements of setting, plot, character, problem, and solution/resolution. (Retells story, including sequence of events.)

LAA211: Determines the main idea or essential message from a text and identifies supporting information. (Identifies the main idea and supporting details from text.)

### My Best Friend

1. bakes cookies
2. the lady
3. picking flowers

### Justin and Danny

4. drinking a bottle of milk
5. made funny faces