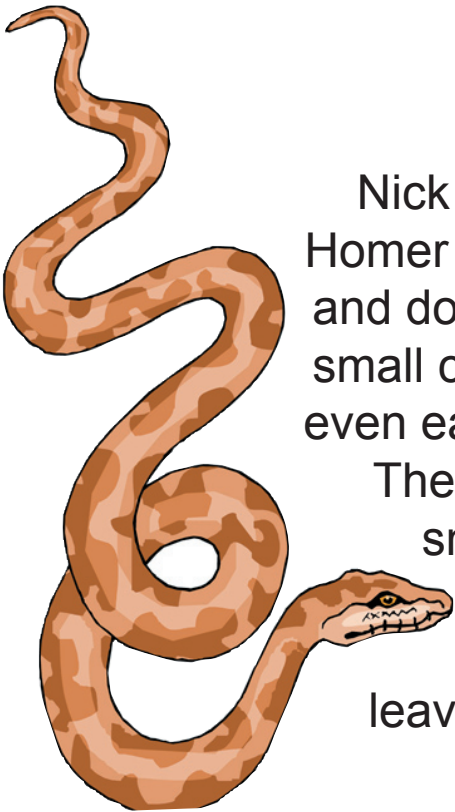


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My Pet Snake

Nick has a really special pet. His name is Homer and he is a snake. He is very quiet and doesn't take up much room. He lives in a small cage in Nick's bedroom. Homer doesn't even eat very much.

There is just one problem with having a snake for a pet. When Nick's pet snake is in the room, everyone else wants to leave. For some reason, they want to leave in a big hurry.

1 What is the story mostly about?

- Everyone wants to leave.
- The snake doesn't eat much.
- Nick's snake is quiet.
- The snake is a special pet.

3 You can tell that Nick really likes the snake because

- he lives in Nick's bedroom
- he scares people away
- he only eats a little bit
- he is named Homer

2 People probably want to leave because

- they have somewhere to go
- the snake is too quiet
- they are frightened
- they have no snake food

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The Tree House Mystery



Maria and Andy had a mystery to solve. Someone had been using their tree house. Books were scattered around, snacks were eaten and the chairs had been moved. "Who could it be?" they wondered. Maybe it was Maria's big brother, or perhaps some children from the neighborhood. They watched and waited. Nothing happened. Finally, they heard a noise and spotted a bushy tail running through the trees. The mystery had been solved.

4

Who had probably been using the tree house?

- Maria's brother
- neighborhood children
- robbers
- a squirrel

5

How do you know who had been using the tree house?

- by the noise that was heard
- by the snacks that were eaten
- by seeing the bushy tail
- by the chairs that were moved

Answer Key

SAT Standard

Draw conclusions from details

Extract implicit theme or main idea

Provide support for conclusions

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1. The snake is a special pet.
2. they are frightened
3. he lives in Nick's bedroom

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4. a squirrel
5. by seeing the bushy tail