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# Weekly Test Lesson 20

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

## Big Blue, the Lonely Sock

Big Blue sighed from the back of the drawer. It was morning. Like usual, Ava opened the drawer to pick her socks for the day. Big Blue knew he wouldn't be picked. He never was. He was alone. His match disappeared so long ago that he couldn't even remember him. Big Blue sat in the back of the drawer. Week after week, month after month, he was never picked. Big Blue was way overdue for an adventure.

“Pick us!” sang Lucy and Lacy Cuff from the back as Ava's large hand reached in.

Although Ava couldn't hear the socks, she grabbed the Cuff twins. Then she looked at her dress and put the twins down in the back next to Big Blue.

“Ava!” called her mom.

“Coming!” Ava said as she grabbed Pink and Purple Stripe. The drawer closed, and the socks were in darkness again.

“I thought we were going out today,” huffed Lucy Cuff.

“It's been almost a week,” puffed Lacy Cuff.

“Don't worry,” said Bold Dot. “Ava's concert is Saturday. She'll pick you then.”

“That's four days away!” huffed Lucy Cuff.

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“Try sitting in here for months,” said Big Blue.

No one knew what to say. They all felt sorry for Big Blue.

Big Blue went back to sleep. In his dream, Ava picked him. They went running. They went biking. They even curled up on the couch and watched a movie. Big Blue felt a surge of warmth fill all the way to his heel spot.

Suddenly, a bright light flashed. Ava’s mom opened the drawer.

“Where are they?” she said as her hand scrambled the socks like eggs.

Somehow, Big Blue fell way, way down.

WHOA! He landed on a roller skate.

“Hello!” said Sport Star, peeking out from behind the dresser.

Sport Star was a sock who had lost her match, too. Now Big Blue didn’t feel so bad.

“If I could find her,” she said, “then we’d have adventures again.”

That gave Big Blue an idea. “Let’s use this skate to find our matches!”

Big Blue and Sport Star set off. First, they zoomed under the bed as if they were riding a roller coaster. There they found Sport Star’s match.

“You’re my hero, Big Blue,” she gushed.

Next Big Blue rolled into the bathroom. No match. He did find Gray Gal, another sock without a match.

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## Reading

Last I heard Big Blue still hadn't found his match, but he is out there somewhere with his fuzzy grin, having adventures and helping matchless socks out of dark and forgotten corners.

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- 1 Read the sentence from the passage.

Big Blue was way overdue for an adventure.

What is the **best** meaning for the word overdue?

- Ⓐ due tomorrow
  - Ⓑ due next week
  - Ⓒ beyond due
  - Ⓓ before due
- 2 Read the sentence from the passage.

“Where are they?” she said as her hand scrambled the socks like eggs.

What is the **most likely** meaning of the underlined phrase?

- Ⓐ The socks look like eggs.
- Ⓑ The socks are being mixed.
- Ⓒ The socks do not have matches.
- Ⓓ There are too many socks in the drawer.

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Reading

3 Read the sentence from the passage.

First, they zoomed under the bed as if they were riding a roller coaster.

What is the **most likely** meaning of the underlined phrase?

- Ⓐ They were moving fast.
- Ⓑ They were at a big carnival.
- Ⓒ They were going down hills.
- Ⓓ They were going around corners.

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- 4 This question has two parts. First, answer part A. Then, answer part B.

**Part A**

How is Big Blue different from Lucy Cuff and Lacy Cuff?

- Ⓐ Big Blue is in the front of the drawer.
- Ⓑ Big Blue has never been picked.
- Ⓒ Big Blue does not have a match.
- Ⓓ Big Blue wants to get picked.

**Part B**

Which detail from the passage **best** supports the answer to part A?

- Ⓐ Big Blue sighs from the back of the drawer.
- Ⓑ Big Blue had a match that disappeared.
- Ⓒ Big Blue has not been picked for months.
- Ⓓ Big Blue dreams about Ava picking him.

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- 5 Mark the boxes to show how Big Blue and Sport Star are alike and different. Some rows may be used twice.

	<b>Big Blue</b>	<b>Sport Star</b>
Has a lost match		
Fell behind the dresser		
Keeps helping other socks		
Found its match		

- 6 Compare how Big Blue feels at the beginning of the passage to how he feels at the end of the passage. Use details from the passage to support your answer.

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## Writing

- 7 Which sentence has a punctuation error?
- Ⓐ Ling feeds, walks, and washes his dog.
  - Ⓑ Rafi likes to eat apples, tomatoes, and carrots.
  - Ⓒ I have been to Texas, Ohio, Utah, and Nevada before.
  - Ⓓ He brought a pen, pencil, notebook and backpack to class.
- 8 Which sentence has a punctuation error?
- Ⓐ Mike wants to get a dog, and a rabbit.
  - Ⓑ Gigi planted tulips, roses, and sunflowers.
  - Ⓒ Your dad brought over snacks, drinks, and toys.
  - Ⓓ My brother made soup, salad, pasta, and dessert.
- 9 Read the sentences. Underline the word that is spelled incorrectly.

Hank went to the store in the morning. Later, he went to eat by the shor, but he forgot a fork.

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**Writing**

- 10 Mateo is writing a story about a robot. Read the paragraph from his story and complete the task that follows.

Tank is a robot. He has a big job. Everybody on the space station needs Tank. One day, Tank broke down. The people did not know what to do.

Mateo's story needs a more interesting beginning. Revise the first two sentences to make them more interesting.

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