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Weekly Test Lesson 28

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

Grasshopper Learns a Lesson

One summer day, Grasshopper sang a delightfully cheerful tune as he hopped across the grass. The weather was clear and warm, and he felt content to hum and play all day long. He stopped when he saw Ant, who was marching up the lane carrying a big piece of corn.

“Where are you going with that?” inquired Grasshopper.

Ant heard him, but she did not stop. “I am taking it home. It is my third trip today!” she replied.

Grasshopper laughed and said, “Why are you working so hard? Take it easy! Come and sing with me instead!”

“I am storing food for the winter,” said Ant as she walked on. “You should be doing the same.”

“But winter is far off in the future,” replied Grasshopper. “And today is a wonderful day to play in the warm sunshine!”

“Then good-bye,” said Ant, and she walked away with her corn.

It was not long before the weather became quite a bit colder. Soon, a thick blanket of snow covered the ground. Grasshopper had fun playing in the snow. But soon he was hungry, and he could not find any food.

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Grasshopper searched everywhere for a crumb of food to eat. Then Grasshopper came upon Ant's house. Grasshopper was overjoyed when he saw it. "That's right," Grasshopper said to himself. "I remember that Ant gathered food to store for the winter. Maybe she will share some with me!"

Grasshopper knocked on Ant's door. "Please, Ant," Grasshopper begged helplessly. "May I have something to eat? I am so very hungry."

"What!" cried Ant. "Didn't you store any food for winter? What were you doing all last summer?"

"I intended to store food," Grasshopper replied, "but I was busy making music. Before I knew it, summer was gone, and winter was here!"

Ant shook her head at Grasshopper's silly behavior. "Don't you know that there is a time for work and a time for play? Come in, and I will share my food with you . . . this time. But you must promise to do better next summer!"

"Thank you, Ant. I promise I will work hard," said Grasshopper, and he did.

The next summer, Grasshopper and Ant worked together. They stored food for winter and still had time to sing and dance!

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- 1 What is the first thing that happens in this passage?
- Ⓐ Grasshopper has nothing to eat.
 - Ⓑ Ant says that winter is coming soon.
 - Ⓒ Grasshopper sees Ant carrying corn.
 - Ⓓ Ant sings and dances with Grasshopper.

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

Part A

How are Grasshopper and Ant different at the beginning of the passage?

- Ⓐ Grasshopper likes winter, but Ant does not.
- Ⓑ Ant plans ahead, but Grasshopper does not.
- Ⓒ Ant eats a lot, but Grasshopper only eats a little.
- Ⓓ Ant likes fun, but Grasshopper only likes to work.

Part B

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

- Ⓐ Ant gathers food for the winter, while Grasshopper does not.
- Ⓑ Grasshopper has fun playing in the snow, but Ant does not.
- Ⓒ Ant has a lot of food, but Grasshopper is hungry.
- Ⓓ Ant has time to dance, but Grasshopper stores food.

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- 3 Read the sentences. Underline the **two** words that name seasons.

“I intended to store food,” Grasshopper replied, “but I was busy making music. Before I knew it, summer was gone, and winter was here!”

- 4 What does Ant do **last** in the passage?
- (A) Shares food with Grasshopper.
 - (B) Warns Grasshopper to gather food.
 - (C) Gathers food and plays with Grasshopper.
 - (D) Makes three trips down the lane past Grasshopper.
- 5 How does Grasshopper change from the beginning to the end of the passage?
- (A) He learns to have fun.
 - (B) He learns to fear the winter.
 - (C) He learns to prepare for winter.
 - (D) He learns there is no time to have fun.

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- 6 Retell the important events in the passage in the order in which they happened. Use order words such as *first*, *next*, *then*, and *finally*.

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7 Choose the sentence with a word that is spelled incorrectly.

- Ⓐ He painted his bike brown.
- Ⓑ Their car is the only purple car in town.
- Ⓒ I can hear my mom showt during my games.
- Ⓓ We buy a pound of cheese to make sandwiches.

8 Read the sentences.

Ali got a pet kitten. The kittens's name is Spark. Spark is black and white.

What change needs to be made to correct the underlined word?

- Ⓐ Change kittens's to kitten.
- Ⓑ Change kittens's to kittens'.
- Ⓒ Change kittens's to kitten's.
- Ⓓ Change kittens's to kittens.

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9 Read the story.

Jake rode his bike to his grandparents' house. His Uncle Mikes' car was in the driveway. Jake hopped off his bike. He ran to see if his cousins were in the house.

What change is needed in the story?

- Ⓐ Change grandparents' to grandparents's.
- Ⓑ Change Mikes' to Mike's.
- Ⓒ Change Jake to Jake's.
- Ⓓ Change cousins to cousin's.

10 Read the sentences. Underline the word that is written incorrectly.

My dad's car is red. It is an old car, but my sisters and I like it. The cars radio works really well. We listen to music as we drive on the roads.