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Setting:	A dark forest	words/illustration
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What is **Ernesto's character trait** based off the words? Explain.

Ernesto gets up at the same time every day and tidies up his bed. His clothes are organized by color in his closet.

- A** Ernesto is neat.
- B** Ernesto is kind.

What is **Martha's character trait** based off the illustration? Explain.

- A** Martina is bossy.
- B** Martina is shy.



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2. Read the text.
3. Answer the question. (circle or write)



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1 What is Stan's character trait?

- A fearful
- B outside
- C mean
- D prepared

2 The illustration contributes to the character trait by showing...

- A He is on a mountain.
- B He has all the equipment.
- C It's a sunny day.
- D None of the above.

3 Which sentence(s) best describe the character's trait ? _____

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What is **the setting** based off the words? Explain.

John and Silvia climb up the snowy white mountain. They are trying their best to reach the top first. The race will be over soon.

A snowy mountain

B top of mountain

Which illustration best shows the setting of **snowy mountain**? Explain.

A



B



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4 What is the setting of the story?

- A the clouds
- B a treetop
- C the blue sky
- D a mountain

5 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...

- A A bright sunny day.
- B Stan hanging by one finger.
- C Stan is on a mountain.
- D None of the above.

6 Which sentence(s) best describe the setting? _____

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What is **the mood** based off the words? Explain.

The day was sunny. The multi-colored butterflies fluttered their wings. A gentle breeze gently brushed Amelia's face.

- A** joyful
- B** uneasy

What is **the mood** based off the illustration? Explain.

- A** peaceful
- B** terrifying



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7 What is the mood of the story?

- A angry
- B boring
- C happy
- D nervous

8 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...

- A He is smiling and climbing the mountain.
- B He is hiking along a mountain path.
- C He has wide, worried eyes as he hangs with one finger.
- D He is using his tools to easily climb down the mountain.

9 Which sentence(s) best describe the mood? _____

Skill Closure

1. Read the question and what needs to be found. (underline)
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¹My friends and I like to go camping. ²We all work as a team to set up the campsite. ³First, we put up the tent. ⁴We also collect water from the river, and wood to build a fire. ⁵When we work together, we can do anything!

1 What is the camper’s character trait?

- A grumpy B shy C silly D helpful

2 The illustration contributes to the character trait by showing...

- A The river and the campfire
 B Sleeping in a yellow tent.
 C The campers setting up the campsite.
 D None of the above.

3 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the character trait.

Concept Closure



Look at the picture. Answer the questions.



The character trait can be...

The setting can be...

The mood can be...

Summary Closure

What did you learn today about explaining how illustrations contribute to a story?

Word Bank

story
 character trait
 setting
 mood

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1 What is the setting?

- A a tent
- B the desert
- C a river
- D a campsite

2 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...

- A The campers are wearing blue shirts.
- B The campsite with a fire and a tent.
- C It's a sunny day.
- D None of the above.

3 Which sentence(s) best describe the setting? _____

4 What is the mood?

- A silly
- B gloomy
- C cheerful
- D mad

5 The illustration contributes to the mood by showing...

- A The campers swimming in the river.
- B They are smiling and helping each other set up the campsite.
- C It's a sunny day.
- D None of the above.

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Listening

Listen carefully to the text and look at the illustration. Answer the question.

1 What is the Tanya's character trait?

- A tired B afraid C friendly D grumpy

2 The illustration contributes to the character trait by showing...

- A Tanya jumping on the bed. B Sleeping in a yellow tent.
C Tanya hiding under the blankets. D None of the above.



3 What is the setting?

- A the moon B inside a closet
C bedroom at night D None of the above.

4 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...

- A She has her head under the pillow trying to hide. B She is sleeping pleasantly.
C Tanya and her cat are sleeping. D None of the above.

5 What is the mood?

- A exciting B frightening
C relaxing D None of the above.

6 The illustration contributes to the mood by showing...

- A Tanya reading a book in her room B Tanya closing her eyes and falling asleep.
C Tanya peeking out of her blankets, wondering what is hiding under the bed. D Tanya listening to quiet music.



Reading

Read the text. Complete using the correct words. Read it one more time.

fun

outside

cool off

spraying

running

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Speaking

Read the story. Answer the question and complete the statements.



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- 1 What is Sophia's character trait?
- 2 The illustration contributes to the character trait by showing...
- 3 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the character trait.
- 4 What is the setting?
- 5 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...
- 6 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the setting.
- 7 What is the mood?
- 8 The illustration contributes to the setting by showing...
- 9 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the setting.

Speaking

Read the story. Answer the question and complete the statements.



¹One day, there was a princess who lived in a tower. ²The tower was guarded by a dragon. ³The dragon could spray fire out of his mouth. ⁴The king sent a knight to save the princess. ⁵The knight was prepared to fight the dragon. ⁶However, as the knight approached the bridge by the tower, the dragon blew fire at him. ⁷The bridge lit up in flames. ⁸The dragon started to chase the knight, and the knight turned and ran away.

- 1 The knight is a coward. Explain how the illustration contributes to the story.
- 2 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the knight's character trait.
- 3 The setting of the story takes place in front of a tower. How does the illustration contribute to the setting?
- 4 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to the setting.
- 5 The mood is frightening.
How does the illustration contribute to the mood?
- 6 Sentence(s) _____ contribute to mood.