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## SECOND GRADE-READING (READ2\_1)

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### All About John

John was tall and skinny. He was very smart. He played basketball with his friends. He liked baseball too. He did his homework in the afternoon. Then he'd talk with his very tall and skinny parents.

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1. John was

- A. tall, skinny, and smart.
  - B. short, skinny, and smart.
  - C. tall, skinny, and silly.
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2. What sport did John play?

- A. softball
  - B. basketball
  - C. football
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3. When did John do his homework?

- A. every morning
  - B. every afternoon
  - C. every Saturday
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4. Why do people wear bifocal glasses?

- A. so they can see things near and far
  - B. because they do not like metal frames
  - C. so they can keep their glasses secure
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### Annie's Day at School

When Annie went to school on Friday, she was very sad. She did not like the boy sitting next to her at school, and he always made fun of her. She had bright red hair, and he thought that it was funny looking. When it was the afternoon, though, Annie became happy. She knew it would soon be time to go home. Her family and friends all loved her pretty red hair, and the boy from class would be far away.

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5. When did Annie's feelings change from sad to happy?

- A. at lunchtime
- B. in the morning
- C. in the afternoon

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6. This story happens on

- A. Monday.
- B. Wednesday.
- C. Friday.

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7. The boy Annie does not like sits

- A. next to her.
- B. behind her.
- C. in front of her.

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### Rita and Rena

Rita and Rena went to town.  
One went up,  
The other went down.  
Each had a list marked "Where to Go."  
One was fast,  
The other was slow.  
Each had a purse with coins inside.  
One was thin,  
The other was wide.  
Each had a bag to hold her stuff.  
One was smooth,  
The other was rough.  
Most contrary sisters I've ever seen!  
Rita was nice,  
But Rena was mean.

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8. Where did Rita and Rena go?

- A. to town
- B. to school
- C. to the park

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9.

Most contrary sisters I've ever seen!

In this sentence, the word I've means

- A. I am.
- B. I will.
- C. I have.

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10. Which word has the same ending sound as the word STUFF?

- A. rough
- B. slow
- C. wide

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11. How were Rita and Rena alike?

- A. They both were slow.
- B. They both were mean.
- C. They both went to town.

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### I Smell Smoke

*by Debra J. Blenus*

I smell smoke!

Get down on the floor!

I smell smoke!

How hot is the door?

I smell smoke!

Crawl down the hall!

I smell smoke!

Stay by the wall!

I smell smoke!

Quick! Go outside!

I smell smoke!

"Help! Help!" I cry.

I smell smoke!

Dad's cooking tonight!

If you smell smoke, get out safe, like me!

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12. Which word sounds like HALL?

- A. smell
- B. ball
- C. ham

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13. How many parts are in the word TONIGHT?

- A. one
- B. two
- C. three

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14. In "I Smell Smoke," the girl wants to go

- A. outside.
- B. inside.
- C. by the wall.

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### Fireman

When there is a fire, a fireman must act quickly. First, he must attach the hose to the fire hydrant. Next, he unhooks the ladder from the fire truck. He puts on his mask to protect himself from the smoke. The fireman climbs the ladder to a window. He turns on the hose and pumps the water on the fire. After the fire is out, the fireman goes back to the station. He hangs the hoses up to dry. His last job is to clean the fire truck.

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15. What is the SECOND thing a fireman does when there is a fire?

- A. He puts on his mask.
- B. He attaches the hose to the hydrant.
- C. He unhooks the ladder from the truck.

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16.

When there is a fire, a fireman must act quickly.

Which word means the opposite of the word quickly?

- A. wisely
- B. slowly
- C. swiftly

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17. The hose is hooked up to the

- A. ladder.
- B. faucet.
- C. hydrant.

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18. After the fire is out, the fireman hangs up the hoses because they

- A. need to dry.
- B. are too old to use.
- C. go on the fire truck.

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**Jared**

Jared wants to be just like his father when he grows up. Jared's father is an engineer. He works very hard to be the best engineer he can be. He is honest and fair, and he loves his family. Jared is not grown up yet. He does his homework every night, because he wants to do his best in school. He makes his little sister laugh because he loves her. Jared's mother says he does not have to wait until he grows up to be just like his father.

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19. How is Jared like his father?

- A. He is funny.
- B. He is an engineer.
- C. He is hard-working.

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20. Jared's mother says he

- A. is already a grown-up.
- B. is like his father.
- C. works too hard.

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21. Jared does his homework every

- A. weekend.
- B. morning.
- C. night.

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22. How many word parts are in the word FAMILY?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4

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### Anita Gets The Mail

When Anita went outside to get the mail, the mailman was still at the mailbox. The mailman said, "Hello! Would you like to take this mail to your house?" Anita said that she would, and she took the letters and packages from the mailman. She ran down the lane and waved good-bye to the mailman as she went through the door.

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23. What is the story about?

- A. Anita getting the mail
- B. envelopes and packages
- C. the mailman doing his rounds

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24. What happened before Anita took the letters and packages from the mailman?

- A. She wanted to open them.
- B. He asked her if she wanted to take them inside.
- C. He told her that she had a letter, too.

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25. Anita went outside to

- A. talk to the mailman.
- B. get the mail.
- C. open packages.

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(Answer Key)

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2. basketball
3. every afternoon
4. so they can see things near and far
5. in the afternoon
6. Friday.
7. next to her.
8. to town
9. I have.
10. rough
11. They both went to town.
12. ball
13. two
14. outside.
15. He unhooks the ladder from the truck.
16. slowly
17. hydrant.
18. need to dry.
19. He is hard–working.
20. is like his father.
21. night.
22. 3
23. Anita getting the mail
24. He asked her if she wanted to take them inside.
25. get the mail.