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Read each passage and answer the questions that follow.

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1. Who was calling?

2. How does Beth feel about Jenna trying out for the play?

3. Give a detail that supports your answer for number 2.

When I got to school this morning, all of the teachers were hurrying around to get us ready to leave. "Did you all put your lunches in the cooler?" "If you brought sunscreen, please bring it to me." The teachers are checking their lists and making sure we have everything we need for today. After getting back on the bus, I sit down in a seat next to Carrie. She looks at me and asks, "Do you think we will see any tigers today? Or maybe elephants?" I think everyone is happy to be at school today!

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Someone for mom—definitely not Jenna.

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She is excited.

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On a field trip to the zoo.

5. Will the students be away from school all day, or will they return after only a few hours?

They will be gone all day—more than a few hours.

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Did you all put your lunches in the cooler? They aren't coming back until after lunch.
