**Inference: 3rd Grade**

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**Read the passages and answer the questions that follow.**

Today is Mark’s birthday! Tommy is very excited. Mark’s party is going to be at a ranch. All of the kids will get to ride horses. Mark puts on his jeans and boots. He is putting on his hat when he hears “ping, ping, ping, ping” against his window. He walks to the door and looks out just as thunder rolls. He turns around sadly, and says, “Mom, I guess we can’t ride the horses now!”

Why does Tommy say that he will not get to ride the horses?

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Write down at least one detail from the passage that supports your answer.

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Caroline took a math test yesterday. She is not sure how she did. The test was hard! Mrs. Fisher is giving back the tests now. Caroline watches as her friends get their paper back. Some smile and some frown. Caroline bites her lip. She is worried. Mrs. Fisher smiles as she gives Caroline’s paper back. Caroline peeks at the grade, and she smiles at Mrs. Fisher.

How do you think Caroline did on the test?

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Write down at least one detail from the passage that supports your answer.

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When Caroline sees her friends smile or frown, what does that tell you about how they did on the test?

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Why does Tommy say that he will not get to ride the horses? It is raining outside (there is a thunderstorm).

Write down at least one detail from the passage that supports your answer. Ping, ping, ping, ping—rain against the window. Thunder rolls as he looks out the door.

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How do you think Caroline did on the test? Caroline did well on the test.

Write down at least one detail from the passage that supports your answer. Caroline smiles when she gets her paper back. Mrs. Fisher smiles as she gives Caroline her paper.

When Caroline sees her friends smile or frown, what does that tell you about how they did on the test? The friends who smile did well. The friends who frown did not do well.