“Mia, there’s a ghost in your room,” Annie whispered.

“No there isn’t,” Mia said.

“Then what’s making that noise?” Annie asked.

“Do you mean this noise?” Mia asked, moving her door slowly.

Creak.

Annie pointed at Mia’s closet. “The noise in there.”


Mia frowned. She slowly slid open the door.

Bump, thump—

“Eeeek!” cried both girls. They jumped back as a big pile of toys tumbled down.

“Whew!” said Annie. “At least it wasn’t a ghost.”

“I wish it was,” said Mia. “A ghost could help me clean up the mess!”
Mia's Ghost
By Guy Belleranti

1. Why does Annie think there is a ghost in Mia's room?
   a. Annie hears something.
   b. Annie sees something.
   c. Annie smells something.
   d. Annie feels something.

2. Write the number 1, 2, or 3 next to each sound Annie and Mia hear first, second, and third.

   a. The girls see a ghost.
   b. The toys fall out of the closet.
   c. Mia's cat runs out of the closet.
   d. Nothing happens.

3. What happens when Mia opens the closet?
   a. The girls see a ghost.
   b. The toys fall out of the closet.
   c. Mia's cat runs out of the closet.
   d. Nothing happens.

4. Why does Mia wish there was a ghost in her closet?

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Fill in the missing letters to create words from the story. Then, write the full word on the line. Be sure to spell each word correctly.

1. ___ q u ___ a k ___
   hint: making a creaking sound

2. f ___ o ___ n e ___
   hint: made a serious face

5. c ___ o ___ e ___
   hint: a small room used to store clothing or other items

6. n ___ i s ___
   hint: sound
In the story, “Mia’s Ghost,” Mia and Annie hear strange sounds that make them think there is a ghost in Mia’s room. When the girls open the closet, they find out the ghost is really just a pile of toys!

On the lines below, tell about a time when you were afraid of something. What was it? What helped you to not be afraid any more?
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   1. **squeaky**

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