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# Rory's Wait

by Anita N. Amin

Rory scanned the shelves in her school library. She pulled out a book. "No." She pushed it back in. She pulled out another book, and another. "No, no..."

She wanted to read the book, *Robot Bakes A Cake*, but she could not find it.

The librarian, Mrs. Shah, checked her computer. "It is here in the library



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The book had pictures of a robot and cake. "That is the book I want!" Rory said.

Rory wanted to ask when he would be done, but she didn't want to be rude. Nobody liked rushing through a good book.

She waited and waited. She frowned. How long would she have to wait?

Rory picked another book. She tried to read as she waited. She snuck a glance at the boy. He was still reading the same page!

Finally, the boy closed the book. He put it back on the shelf.

Rory rushed over to the book. At home, she savored every word.

"How was the book?" Mrs. Shah asked when Rory returned it.

"Worth the wait!" Rory smiled.

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  - a. The book is checked out from the library.
  - b. Rory's best friend is reading the book.
  - c. Rory's classmate is using it for a school project.
  - d. A boy in the library is already reading it.
  
2. What does Rory do as she waits for the book she wants to read?
  - a. She uses a computer in the library.
  - b. She reads another book.
  - c. She talks with her best friend.



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5. What important lesson does Rory learn at the end of the story?  
Choose the best answer.
  - a. You can make a friend in unexpected ways.
  - b. Sometimes things don't go your way, and that is okay.
  - c. A good thing is worth the wait.
  - d. Hard work pays off.

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Draw lines to match the words from the story with their meanings.

1. scanned



• a quick look

2. librarian



• made a troubled face



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works at a library

5. glance



• enjoyed completely

6. rushed



• looked at something  
carefully

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In the story, "Rory's Wait," Rory decides that the book she really wanted to read was worth the wait.

On the lines below, tell about a good book you read. Include the title of the book and the name of the author. Describe what the book is about. Explain why you enjoyed reading it.



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