The Wind Stole My Homework!

By Guy Belleranti

“It’s so nice outside,” said Josh. “I don’t want to do my homework. I want to play outside!”

“You know the rule,” his mom replied. “Homework first, and then you can play.”

Just then, Josh’s older brother Ivan came into the room.

“I have an idea!” he said. “Mom, can we do our homework outside?”

Josh and Ivan’s mom thought about it for a moment.

“Sure,” she said. “You can sit at the picnic table in the backyard.”

“Yay!” Josh and Ivan cheered before grabbing their backpacks and heading outside.

The brothers sat at the table. Ivan took out a book and started reading. Josh took out a piece of paper and started writing a story.

Suddenly, a gust of wind blew Josh’s story into the sky.

“Oh no!” Josh cried. “The wind stole my homework!”

“Start again with another piece of paper,” Ivan said.
Josh waited for the wind to stop. Then he started writing on a second piece of paper. He shook his head and crushed the paper into a ball.

“What’s wrong?” asked Ivan.

“I want to write a different story,” Josh said. “I want to write about how the wind stole my homework.”

Josh started writing on a third piece of paper.

Suddenly, the wind blew again.

Josh grabbed his paper. The paper shook, but it didn’t fly away.

Then, another paper flew into the yard.
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   a. compromising
   b. arguing
   c. cheating
   d. not listening

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   b. You shouldn’t lie to your mom.
   c. Playing outside is fun.
   d. It is windy outside.
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Match each vocabulary word from the story with the correct definition.

1. ______ complained
2. ______ shook
3. ______ stole
4. ______ replied
5. ______ moment
6. ______ picnic
7. ______ cheered
8. ______ gust
9. ______ crushed

a. moved back and forth with quick movements
b. answered or responded
c. happily shouted
d. took away something in a way that is wrong
e. a sudden and strong wind
f. pressed or squeezed in a hard manner
g. a meal eaten outdoors
h. a very short amount of time
i. said that you are unhappy or did not like something

Preview
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In the story “The Wind Stole My Homework!” Josh writes a story about a real event that happened to him.

Think of a real event that happened to you that would make a good story. Write about it below.

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