



1 Remember the story

Answer in your own words. Look back at the story if you want.

- 1 What were the rules Shani agreed to before babysitting?

- 2 What happened at two-twenty, and what did her hands do while her brain froze?

- 3 Why did telling the full version matter more than the milk itself?





2 Fact or guess

Read each sentence. Circle Fact if the story shows it for sure.
Circle Guess if it is only an idea someone has.

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| 1 | Mrs. Adler was the neighbor to call for real problems. | Fact | Guess |
| 2 | Avi broke his elbow. | Fact | Guess |
| 3 | Shani rubbed the rug to clean the milk. | Fact | Guess |
| 4 | Shani told her mother about the couch reading herself. | Fact | Guess |
| 5 | Mama ended all babysitting after the spill. | Fact | Guess |
| 6 | Shani left her book behind the next Sunday. | Fact | Guess |

Write one fact and one guess from your own day.





3 Think and write

Write what is true for you, or write about a made-up person. You do not have to share anything private.

- 1 Write an invented scene where a babysitter decides between the comfortable version and the full version of an accident report.

- 2 Describe why "your hands knew what to do" is different from luck.

- 3 Write about the difference between trust that feels like a prize and trust that feels like a job.





4 Word search

Find the 6 words. They go across or down.

U	C	F	S	Y	M	R	G	L	T
T	R	I	P	G	K	W	P	B	R
P	C	G	I	A	D	W	Y	V	U
A	N	T	L	N	U	V	K	W	S
F	P	N	L	O	G	T	E	L	T
A	G	B	A	N	D	A	G	E	N
A	Y	P	V	Y	O	V	H	D	R
N	E	I	G	H	B	O	R	S	U
U	Y	N	B	D	A	M	P	Y	G
W	I	G	S	V	F	O	R	T	S

BANDAGE FORT SPILL RUG TRUST NEIGHBOR





5 Words connected to the story

These words are connected to the story. Put the letters in order.

1 G E A B D A N

2 O F T R

3 L I S P L

4 R G U

5 U S T R T

6 G B I E R H O N





6 Say it out loud

Practice these out loud, or whisper them. Then write what you would say in your own words.

- 1 "He's hurt - small scrape. I'll wash it and bandage it."

- 2 "Here's the full version, including the part that's my fault."

- 3 "It was a bandage problem, not a Mrs. Adler problem."



7 My chart

Use invented examples. Real rule: when in doubt about a child’s safety, call the adult. That’s never wrong.

A fictional babysitting problem	Bandage problem or call-an-adult problem	What hands should do first	What the full version includes



8 Draw it

Draw the cushion fort, the blue cup, the crooked bandage, and the blotted rug. Caption the line "A rug is a rug. A brother is a brother." No faces needed.

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Answers for the grownup

This page is for checking. Fold it back or keep it for later.

Remember the story

No stove, door locked, call Mrs. Adler then Mama, and remember he's five. Avi fell from the fort with the milk cup; her hands brought him to the chair, washed and bandaged the scrape while her brain was frozen. The milk was already handled; only the full version showed she could be trusted with the uncomfortable part.

Fact or guess

1. Fact 2. Guess 3. Guess 4. Fact 5. Guess 6. Fact

Word search

BANDAGE: row 6, column 3, across; FORT: row 10, column 6, across; SPILL: row 1, column 4, down; RUG: row 7, column 10, down; TRUST: row 1, column 10, down; NEIGHBOR: row 8, column 1, across

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