



1 Remember the story

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

1 What old noise did the thunder remind Gitty of?

2 Who stayed with Gitty in the library?

3 What did Mama say they would do at home?





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 | Gitty remembered a wardrobe falling last winter. | Fact | Guess |
| 2 | Someone had been hurt by that wardrobe. | Fact | Guess |
| 3 | Mrs. Mandel checked the storm travel arrangements. | Fact | Guess |
| 4 | Gitty had to finish the shelves before she could leave. | Fact | Guess |
| 5 | The curtain had a crooked hem. | Fact | Guess |
| 6 | Mama planned to talk with Gitty at home. | 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 about a made-up character noticing something ordinary in the room while a trusted grownup stays nearby.

- 2 Write an invented sentence that tells a grownup about a frightening memory without having to explain it perfectly.

- 3 Why is checking a real safety problem different from caring for a frightening memory? Use the storm and library in your answer.





4 Word search

Find the 6 words. They go across or down.

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

SHELF THUNDER CURTAIN LABELS BOOK WATER





5 Words connected to the story

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

1 F S L H E

2 H E N U R D T

3 T R I N C U A

4 E L B S A L

5 O K O B

6 E R T W A





6 Say it out loud

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

- 1 "I'm remembering something frightening. Can you stay with me?"

- 2 "It's a little easier, but I'm still frightened."

- 3 "I don't have to handle this alone."





7 My chart

Use a made-up room. Do not write about a private frightening event. Noticing the room can help some people settle, but it is not a cure or a test. Tell a trusted grownup if frightening memories return or interfere with daily life.

An ordinary thing here	What I notice	A trusted person	What I can tell them





8 Draw it

Draw the library shelf, the crooked curtain hem, the tin of labels, and the book. No people are needed. Caption details Gitty noticed in the room she was actually in.

1

2

3

4





Answers for the grownup

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

Remember the story

A wardrobe falling in her cousin's empty guest room. Mrs. Mandel.
Talk properly at home, with qualified help if this kept happening.

Fact or guess

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

Word search

SHELF: row 6, column 4, across; THUNDER: row 2, column 3, across;
CURTAIN: row 3, column 2, across; LABELS: row 3, column 10, down;
BOOK: row 5, column 6, across; WATER: row 10, column 5, across

Words connected to the story

1. SHELF 2. THUNDER 3. CURTAIN 4. LABELS 5. BOOK 6. WATER

