

## Reading Comprehension

## Clara's Invention

**A** Read and summarize the events in the story.

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Antonio's daughter Clara liked her father's workshop. She loved to look at all the beautiful and colorful items he created. One day, she walked into the workshop and her father was there, standing beside two delicate glass vases.

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Mr. Lombardi's eyes opened wide. "The words! They're big!" He looked at Clara's father. "My wife can't read my books because of her eyes. This will be my gift to her! It will be the greatest gift ever!"

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**B** Read and circle the correct characters.

## 1 the primary character

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| <b>a</b> Antonio Rossi | <b>c</b> Antonio's daughter, Clara |
| <b>b</b> Mr. Lombardi  | <b>d</b> Mrs. Lombardi             |

## 2 the secondary characters

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|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> Antonio Rossi | <b>c</b> Antonio's daughter, Clara |
| <b>b</b> Mr. Lombardi  | <b>d</b> Mrs. Lombardi             |

**C Complete the sentences.**

*Clara's Invention* is a story that is \_\_\_\_\_.

It is not \_\_\_\_\_.

**D Answer the questions.**

1 Name two things Antonio made out of glass.

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2 What gifts did Antonio make for Mr. Lombardi?

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3 Who did Mr. Lombardi want the gifts for?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 What gift did Mr. Lombardi give his wife? Why?

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**E Write the people's feelings.**

excited   sad   proud   surprised

1 Big wet tears fell down her cheeks. \_\_\_\_\_

2 Mr. Lombardi's eyes opened wide. \_\_\_\_\_

3 "It will be the greatest gift ever!" \_\_\_\_\_

4 "You made something very useful." \_\_\_\_\_

**Extra Read the words. Make example sentences.**

1 footsteps

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2 delicate

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3 pounded

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