

Read the story below and then answer the Reading Comprehension questions. All the statements in the story are true.

The Case of Drayton's Missing Mittens

¹Last Saturday, the Jones family went to Copper Mountain, Colorado, for a weekend family ski vacation. ²They rented a condo and that evening their three children, Tammy, Gracen, and Drayton had fun playing in the snow. ³Later, the three children warmed their hands around cups of hot chocolate at a nearby bakery before returning to the condo before bedtime.

⁴The next morning Drayton and his mom were the last to leave the condo to go skiing, but Drayton's mittens were missing from the shelf by the door where he had left them the night before. ⁵Sadly, without mittens, they would have to wait for everyone to return for lunch.



⁶When the rest of the family returned for lunch Tammy said, "This morning as Dad and I were leaving for the slopes, Gracen rushed out of the house to join us. ⁷I was the first to get dressed this morning, and I took my red mittens off a shelf next to the front door. ⁸I also remember seeing Mom and Dad's gloves and a single pair of blue mittens."

⁹Gracen told the family, "I was in a hurry to leave in the morning with Dad and Tammy, so I quickly grabbed the blue mittens just before I rushed out the door."

¹⁰Mom excitedly said, "Aha! I remember you came in the door last night, and you weren't wearing your brown mittens! ¹¹I think I know where your and Drayton's mittens are."

¹²Dad laughed and then looked at Gracen and said, "I remember looking at your pockets this morning and wondering what you had in them."

Reading Comprehension Questions

1. Which sentence is the best evidence of when and where the family took their ski trip?

2. Which three sentences best explain where Gracen's mittens were in the morning? _____

Outline

Fill out the writing outline to help you write a short article for the newspaper explaining what happened in the story. Your article must explain what happened to Drayton's mittens, but it doesn't have to explain how you figured it out.

1. **When** did this story happen? _____

2. **Where** did this story happen? _____

3. **Who** are the important characters in this story? _____

4. **What** happened to these important characters in this story? _____

5. Explain **why** or **how** this happened to the characters. _____

Article

Remember, people reading your article have never read the story so be sure to include all the key information from your outline.

(Your Headline)



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