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A House of Memories

Fiction

Eddie had spent days packing—old toys in garbage bags, new ones in boxes. His family was moving and the house had to be ready for the next family. He was not sure he liked the idea. Without furniture, the house felt big and empty. Eddie did not want to leave his home and friends behind. The last thing left to clean was the attic. Carefully, he climbed the rickety ladder after his parents.



The attic was dark and dusty, with wooden beams and strange pink fluff between them. His father was looking through old boxes and handed Eddie a faded photograph of a boy playing baseball. Eddie thought it was him, but his father said it was actually him at Eddie's age. His mother found another picture of herself playing hopscotch.

It was strange to imagine them as kids. Eddie had only seen them working, cooking or driving. Looking out of the attic's small window, he saw his backyard—the swing set, tricycle and bubble machine. He had played there for as long as he could remember.

His mother stood beside him, whispering that soon, another family would make memories here, just as they would in their new home. Eddie thought about the new school, the football team and the drama club. Maybe it was a good time to move after all.

As they climbed down, Eddie picked up the camera and asked his parents to take a picture of him playing in the backyard one last time.

A. Choose the correct answer:

1. Why was Eddie packing his toys into bags and boxes?

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| a. He wanted to give them to his friends. | b. His parents told him to clean his room. |
| c. His family was moving to a new house. | d. He no longer liked playing with toys. |

2. How did Eddie feel about moving at the beginning of the story?

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| a. He was excited to move. | b. He was sad and unsure about leaving. |
| c. He was angry at his parents. | d. He was happy to get rid of his toys. |

3. Which of the following things might you find in an 'attic'?

- a. old boxes and dusty furniture
- b. a swimming pool
- c. a school classroom
- d. a supermarket shelf

4. Which word is closest in meaning to "rickety" in the sentence "*Carefully, he climbed the rickety ladder after his parents.*"?

- a. strong
- b. safe
- c. new
- d. wobbly

B. Put the following events from the story in the correct order:

a. He looked out the attic window at his backyard.	4
b. He found an old photograph of a boy playing baseball.	2
c. Eddie and his family packed their things to move.	1
d. He asked his parents to take a picture of him playing.	5
e. He learned that his parents were once kids too	3

C. Answer the following questions:

1. How did Eddie's feelings about moving change by the end of the story?

Eddie started to look forward to new experiences, like trying out for the football team and joining the drama club at his new school.

2. If you could ask the main character one question, what would it be?

Answer may vary