

5-for-5 Reading

Test Three



The Package

Amir pushed his hands deeper into his thick jacket and clasped his fingers around the small, red card inside. His breath rose in small clouds behind him as he walked towards the large building. As the feeling disappeared from his toes, he wished that he had put on a thicker pair of socks. He pushed open the door.

The person behind the desk smiled warmly at Amir as he handed over the red card. Then, she disappeared behind a stack of brown packages. When she reappeared with a small parcel, Amir jumped up and down on the spot. He recognised Sadira's neat handwriting and ripped open the brown paper. Inside was a note and what looked like a ball of wool.

Hey Am, how are you liking your new school? I hope the plane journey was OK – over 20 hours sounds like a long time! We missed you last weekend; Toby and I spent most of it in the pool with iced drinks. As the AC is still broken, it was the only way to keep cool. Anyway, Mum says that you might need this to keep you warm – she knitted it herself. Miss you lots!

Sadira

1 Why did Amir wish that he was wearing a thicker pair of socks?

2 Amir jumped up and down on the spot. What does this description suggest about how Amir is feeling?

3 The two characters are experiencing very different weather. Explain how the weather that Amir is experiencing is different to the weather that Sadira is experiencing.

4 What has Sadira most likely included within the package?

Tick **one**.

a sun hat

a woolly hat

a knitted toy

a baseball cap

5 How did Amir know that the parcel was from Sadira before he opened it?

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