

WORKSHEET OUTPOST | Grade 1 ELA

Author’s Purpose

CORE-257 | Five questions

Success criteria

I can tell why the author wrote the text and point to a clue.

Name: _____ Date: _____

A paper fan has many folds. When it is closed, the folds rest together. When it is opened, the folds spread apart. Moving the fan pushes air toward your face. A wide fan can move more air than a narrow one when moved the same way.

1. Is this mainly teaching facts or telling an imaginary story?

2. Name a detail that helps explain the fan.

3. Why does the writer compare wide and narrow fans?

4. What is the most important idea on this page? Point to a detail that supports it.

5. Ask a question about what you read. Answer it using this page.

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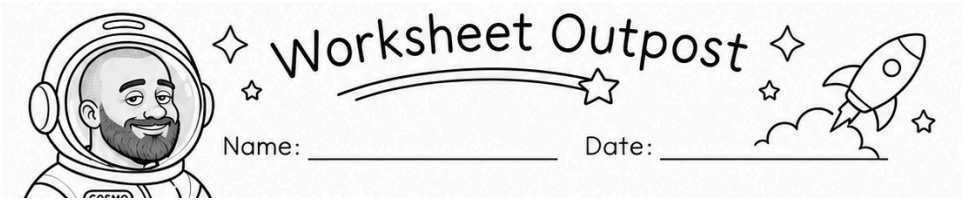

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Rafi wanted to carry three library books home. His paper bag tore. Mei offered a cloth bag. Rafi put the books inside and held the handles. At home, he drew a thank-you card for Mei.

1. Why might someone read this story?

2. Which action shows gratitude without naming it?

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