

# "A Field Trip Disaster"

## Understand It!

Answer the following questions after reading:

Last week my friends and I were gearing up for our big fifth grade class field trip to the zoo. Now we can't stop talking about all the **drama** that **unfolded** throughout the entire trip yesterday. If we would have known all the crazy things that would happen, I bet we would have all just chosen to stay at school and take tests instead! First, Jason decided to keep kicking Madison's seat in front of him on the bus. When Madison turned around to ask him to stop Jason kicked the seat so hard it made Madison's head hit the window. She started bleeding. We had to stop the bus and call her mom so she could rush her to the hospital for stitches! When we finally arrived at the zoo two hours late, all the gates were closed. The zookeeper ran over to our bus and told the driver the zoo was closed. **Apparently**, one of the lions got loose and was **roaming** the area! The zookeeper **instructed** us to stay on the bus. Everyone started screaming and panicking. Our teacher calmed us down and said we had to go home. On the way back to school our bus ran out of gas! We had to wait on the side of the road another hour for help. It was the worst trip ever!

1. Which is an example of descriptive language?  
a. we can't stop talking  
b. drama that unfolded  
c. gates were closed  
d. the zoo was closed
2. How many problems were in the passage?  
a. three  
b. one  
c. two  
d. four
3. If the class had known all the problems, they would have...  
a. stayed at school  
b. gone anyways  
c. chose a different day  
d. brought extra food
4. What happened on the way home?  
a. the lion got loose  
b. Jason kicked Madison's seat  
c. the bus ran out of gas  
d. they stopped to eat

**Word Work** Color the words in the passage that match each category below:

	Descriptive language
	Pronouns
	Words with 3 or more syllables
	Action verbs

**Vocabulary** Copy the 5 **bold** words from the passage. Use context clues and what you know to define each word:

1	_____	_____
2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____
4	_____	_____
5	_____	_____