

# Marva Finds a Friend



One rainy day Marva heard a funny sound.

She looked out the window and saw a little gray cat with white feet.

It was wet and it looked hungry.

Marva went out and picked up the cat.

Then she brought it inside.

She and her mother took a soft towel and dried it.

Mother gave the cat some food.

And the cat ate it all up!

Marva said, "I will name this cat Boots. I will take care of it."

"I hope you don't belong to anyone," Marva said.

"Now, Marva, this cat may belong to somebody," her mother said. Marva felt sad.

She said to Boots, "But I want you to be *my* cat."



That night Marva's mother looked in the newspaper. She saw an ad that read, "Lost. Gray cat with white feet. Call 376-2007."

Marva started to cry.

"But I want to keep Boots," she said.

"It's not right, Marva, we have to call," said her mother.

Marva knew her mother was right.



The next day a woman and a girl Marva's age came to the house.

When the girl saw Boots she cried, "That's my cat, Boots!"

"But I called her Boots too," Marva said.

The girl took Boots in her arms.

She thanked Marva and her mother for taking care of Boots.

Then she said, "I live on the next street.

Why don't you come over tomorrow and play with me and Boots?"

Marva was sad to give up Boots, but she was happy that she'd made a new friend.

Marva's mother now knew what to get Marva for her birthday!



# Level: One

## Narrative

**Concept Questions:**

What is a newspaper advertisement?  
DOV  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3-2-1-0)

What do you do to take care of a pet?  
feed, bath, brush them,  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3-2-1-0)

What should you do if you find something that belongs to someone else?  
give it back  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (3-2-1-0)

**Score:** 7 /9 = 78 %  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FAM      \_\_\_\_\_ UNFAM

**Prediction:**  
wash pet up + comb it + pet w/ them  
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### "Marva Finds a Friend"

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ate it all up! Marva said, "I will name this cat Boots. I will take care of it." "I hope you don't belong to anyone," Marva said. "Now, Marva, this cat may belong to somebody," her mother said. Marva felt sad. She said to Boots, "But I want you to be my cat."

That night Marva's mother looked in the newspaper. She saw an ad that read, "Lost. Gray cat with white feet. Call 376-2007." Marva started to cry. "But I want to keep Boots," she said. "It's not right, Marva, we have to call," said her mother. Marva knew her mother was right.

The next day a woman and a girl Marva's age came to the house. When the girl saw Boots she cried, "That's my cat, Boots!" "But I called her Boots too," Marva said. The girl took Boots in her arms. She thanked Marva and her mother for taking care of Boots. Then she said, "I live on the next street. Why don't you come over tomorrow and play with me and Boots?" Marva was sad to give up Boots, but she was happy that she'd made a new friend. Marva's mother now knew what to get Marva for her birthday! (264 words)

# Level: One

Number of Total Miscues

(Total Accuracy): 12

Number of Meaning-Change Miscues

(Total Acceptability): 6

**Total Accuracy**

**Total Acceptability**

0-6 miscues      Independent 0 0-6 miscues

7-27 miscues 0 Instructional      7-14 miscues

28+ miscues      Frustration      15+ miscues

Rate:  $264 \times 60 = 15,840 /$       seconds =      WPM

Correct WPM:  $(264 -$       errors  $) \times 60 =$   
     /      seconds =      CWPM

## Retelling Scoring Sheet for "Marva Finds a Friend"

### Setting/Background

- One rainy day
- Marva heard a sound
- a funny sound.
- 1 She looked out
- 2 and saw a cat
- a little cat
- a gray cat
- with white feet.
- It was wet
- and it looked hungry.
- Marva picked up the cat.
- She brought it inside.
- Mother gave the cat some food.
- And the cat ate it all up!

### Goal

- Marva said,
- 3 "I will name this cat Boots.
- I will take care of it."
- "This cat may belong to somebody,"
- her mother said.
- Marva felt sad.
- "But I want you to be my cat."

### Events

- That night
- Mother looked in the newspaper.
- She saw an ad that read,
- "Lost.
- Gray cat
- with white feet."
- Marva started to cry.
- "But I want to keep Boots."
- 4 "We have to call,"
- said her mother.
- The next day
- 5 a woman
- 6 and a girl came to the house.
- 7 The girl cried,
- 8 "That's my cat, Boots!"
- The girl took Boots.
- She thanked Marva
- and her mother.

### Resolution

- The girl said,
- 10 "Why don't you come over
- 11 and play with Boots
- 12 and me?"
- Marva was sad
- to give up Boots,
- 9 but she was happy
- 13 that she'd made a new friend.
- Marva's mother knew
- what to get Marva
- for her birthday.

50 Ideas

Number of ideas recalled     

Other ideas recalled, including inferences:

# Level: One

## Questions for "Marva Finds a Friend"

1. What did Marva find outside her window?

Explicit: a cat

2. What did Marva's mother do with the cat?

Explicit: dried it with a towel; or gave it some food

3. What did Marva want to do with the cat?

Explicit: keep it

feed it

4. What did Marva's mother do after she looked in the newspaper?

Implicit: called the phone number listed in the paper

5. What happened the next day?

Explicit: people that owned the cat came over and got the cat

she was sad

6. How are Marva and the girl who owned the cat alike?

Implicit: they both liked cats; or they both named the cat Boots

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Number Correct Explicit: 2

Number Correct Implicit: 1

Total: 3

— Independent: 6 correct

— Instructional: 4-5 correct

~~0~~ Frustration: 0-3 correct