

Worksheet Making Predictions 2

Read the story below. Then answer the questions.

THE BROKEN WINDOW

George Elliot had a brand new fifty dollar bill for a New-year gift. He thought hard of all the fine things he might buy with it. The sun shone out bright, and everything looked beautiful. So George put on his cap, and ran eagerly into the street. As he went skipping along, he met some boys playing cricket. George soon engaged in the sport. He sent a ball at James Mason, but he missed it, and broke a window on the other side of the street. George feared someone would come out of the house and find him. So he ran off as fast as he could.

As soon as he got round the next corner, George stopped, because he was very sorry for what he had done. He said to himself, "I have no right to spend my brand new fifty dollar bill, now. I ought to go back, and pay for the glass I broke." He went up and down the street, and felt very sad. He wished very much to buy something nice. He also wished to pay for the broken glass. At last he said, "It was wrong to break the window, though I did not mean to do it. I will go and pay for it, if it takes all my money, I will try not to be sorry. I do not think the man will hurt me if I pay for the mischief I have done."

Questions

1. Was George sorry for what he did?
2. Why did George run?
3. Why was George so conflicted as to what he should do?
4. What do you think George would do?
5. What lesson do you think George learnt that day?

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ANSWERS

1. Was George sorry for what he did? *Yes, George was sorry.*
2. Why did George run? *He feared what the owner would do to him*
3. Why was George so conflicted as to what he should do? *He wanted the money to buy something nice for himself, but knew he had to pay for the broken glass.*
4. What do you think George would do? *He would go and apologize to the owner and give him money as compensation for the damaged he caused.*
5. What lesson do you think George learnt that day? *He leaned not to tell lies.*