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Understanding the  
reading process

A good reader looks for clues to help him read. He looks at pictures, reads the title of the story, and uses the words to make pictures in his mind. Practice this while you read the passage about 'Zeuxis, the painter'.

## Zeuxis, the painter

Zeuxis was a good painter. He could paint pictures. At one time he painted the picture of some fruit. It looked so real that the birds flew down and pecked at it. This made him very proud of his skill. Some time after this, Zeuxis painted another picture. It was that of a boy carrying a basket of ripe red cherries. He hung this painting outside of his door. Some birds flew down and tried to carry the cherries away. "Ah! this picture is a not good," he said. "If the boy had been as well painted as the cherries, the birds would have been afraid to come near him."

Colour in the paint set beside the correct answer.

Who is Zeuxis?



**a good painter**



**a good writer**

What was Zeuxis first picture about?



**some fruits**



**a boy with cherries**

Why did Zeuxis not like the picture of the 'boy with the cherries' painting?



**The cherries were red.**



**The birds were frightening.**



**The boy was not real enough.**



**The birds tried to eat the cherries.**