

Tom Sawyer and Aunt Polly

Read the passage below and then complete the graphic organizer that follows.

Aunt Polly went to the door and looked out, but there was no sign of Tom, so she lifted up her voice and shouted: “Yo-u-u, TOM!”

There was a slight noise behind her, and she turned just in time to seize a small boy by his belt and arrest his flight.

“What have you been doing in that cupboard?” she asked.

“Nothing.”

“Nothing! Look at your hands and look at your mouth. What is that mess?”

“I don’t know, Aunt.”

“Forty times I’ve said if you didn’t

T leave that jam alone. I’d skin you. Hand me that switch.”

The switch hovered in the air- the peril was desperate.

“My. Look behind you, Aunt!”

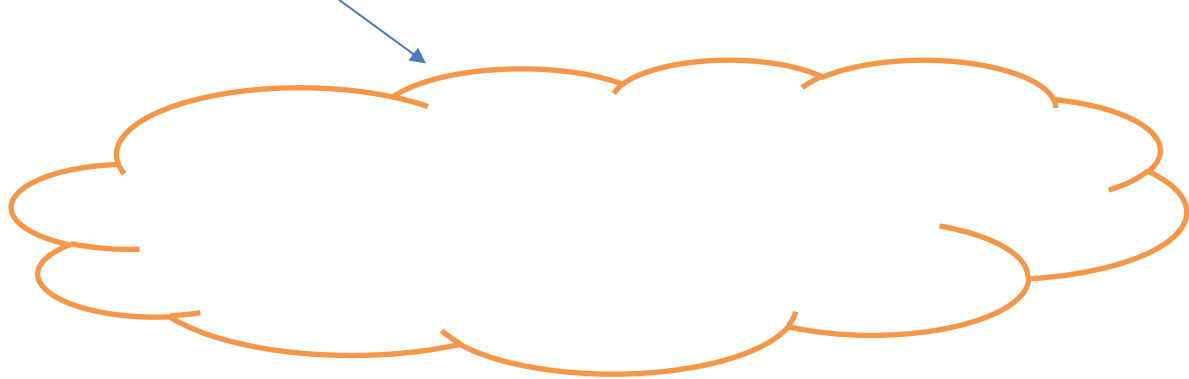
The old lady whirled round and snatch her skirts out of danger. The lad fled on the instant, scrambled up the high board fence, and disappeared over it. His Aunt Polly stood surprised for a moment, and then broke into a gentle laugh.

“hang the boy can’t I ever learn anything? Hasn’t he played me tricks enough like that for me to be looking out for him this time? But my goodness, he never plays them alike two days, and how is a body to know what’s coming. I’ll just be obliged to make him work tomorrow, to punish him. It’s mighty hard to make him work on a Saturday, when all the boys are having a holiday, but he hates work more than he hates anything else, and I’ve got my duty to do by him.”

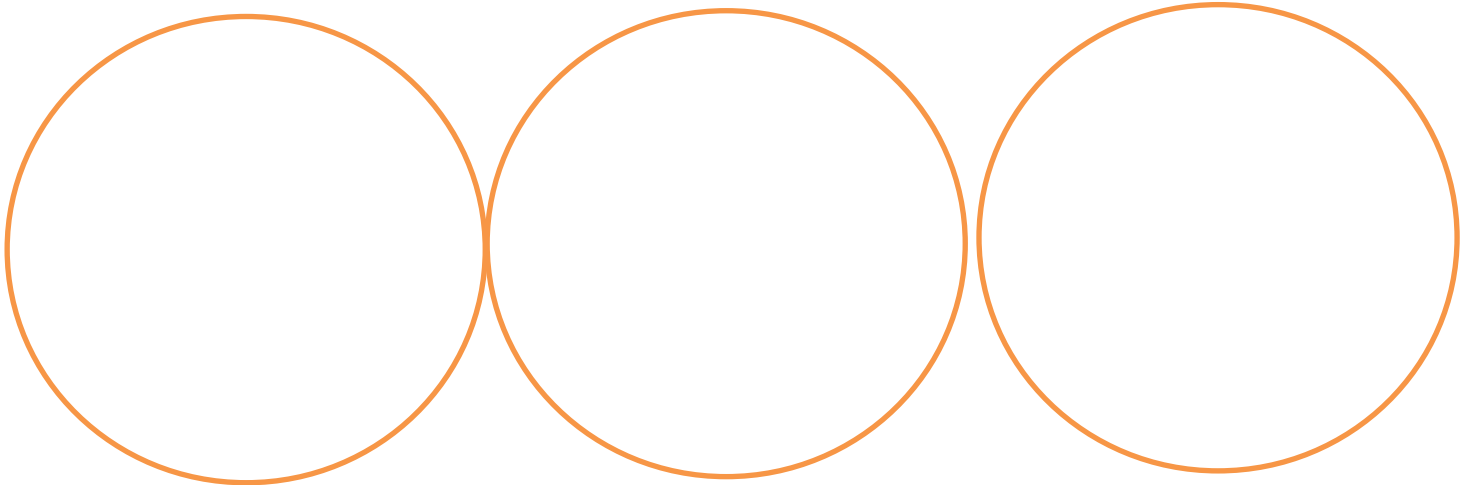
Abstract: “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” by Mark Twain.

Graphic Organizer – Main Idea and Supporting Sentences

Main Idea of the passage.



Write three supporting details:



Now answer these questions:

1. Where was Tom when Aunt Polly called him?
2. What had he been doing?
3. How did Aunt Polly stop Tom running away?
4. What did Tom shout as the switch hovered in the air?
5. What did Aunt Polly do when she heard this sound?
6. How did Tom disappear from his aunt's sight?
7. Why did Aunt Polly laugh?
8. Why did Aunt Polly not know what trick to look out for.

9. What was to be Tom' punishment?
10. Why did aunt Polly choose this punishment
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12. On what day of the week did this happened.