1. Read a poem and notice its language

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Original EWS poem - After the Rain
The school bell sleeps beyond the wall.
A silver drop begins to fall.
The puddle holds a piece of sky;
Two muddy shoes go splashing by.
A child looks back and laughs to see
The trembling clouds beneath a tree.

Read twice. Answer in your own words. Quote only a short phrase when evidence is requested.

1. a. Where does the scene take place? Give one detail supporting your answer.

2. b. Explain what the puddle 'holds'. Does it contain a real piece of the sky?

3. c. Identify personification in the first line and explain its effect. Then describe the poem's mood using one further detail.

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2. Understand a character through actions

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Original EWS prose - The Missing Lunch
At interval, Kavindi opened her bag and found that her lunch box was missing. She closed the bag quickly. Across the table, Ruwan was unwrapping two large sandwiches. 'I am not very hungry today,' he said, pushing one towards her. Kavindi looked at the sandwich, then at him. She knew that he had played cricket all morning. Neither mentioned her empty bag. When the bell rang, she folded his paper wrapper carefully and placed it beside his bottle.

Base your answers on the passage. Separate what is stated from what you infer.

1. a. State two facts the narrator tells us directly. Then give one reasonable inference about Ruwan's reason for sharing.

2. b. Why might Kavindi close her bag quickly? Explain using the situation.

3. c. Write a short paragraph explaining how the writer presents kindness without using the word 'kind'. Include two details.

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3. Read dialogue as drama

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Original EWS scene - Before the Performance
[A classroom. Chairs face a small empty space. A paper sign reads: WELCOME.]
MAYA: They will all look at me.
DEV: They will listen to your story.
MAYA: What if I forget the first line?
[Dev places a small card on the chair beside her.]
DEV: Then take a breath. The first word is here.
MAYA: You remembered?
DEV: You helped me with mine yesterday.
[Maya picks up the card. Voices approach outside.]

Stage directions are the words in brackets. They help readers imagine a performance.

1. a. What is Maya worried about? Support your answer with her words.

2. b. Explain two things the stage directions contribute that dialogue alone does not state.

3. c. Suggest how Maya could say 'You remembered?' and move at that moment. Explain how your performance choice communicates her feelings.

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4. Build a supported literary response

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Use the original poem, prose and scene on pages 1-3. A useful paragraph makes a point, gives a precise detail, explains its effect and links back to the question. Retelling everything that happens is not the same as explaining how the writing works. Suggested length for the extended answer: 120-160 words; this is EWS classroom guidance, not an official examination word limit.

1. a. Choose the strongest opening for a paragraph on The Missing Lunch and explain why: (i) 'There are two children and some food.' (ii) 'Ruwan's quiet actions show that help can protect another person's dignity.'

2. b. Write 120-160 words: How does one of the three texts show the value of noticing small things? Use at least two precise details and explain them.

3. c. Underline your main point and circle two details in your answer. Revise one sentence so that it explains an effect more clearly.

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