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To help you make a prediction as you read, remember:

- A **story clue** hints at what might happen next.
- Your **experience or knowledge** is what you already know.
- A **prediction** is a guess about what will happen next.

Read "Picnic in the Park." Mark the text and make a prediction.

Picnic in the Park

Sam's family packed a picnic for the park. Sam brought along his soccer ball. At the park, they found a table under a big tree. Squirrels were jumping from branch to branch in the tree. Sam's mom unpacked the sandwiches, apples, and a nut cake. As they ate, the squirrels chattered above them. Sam's mom decided to save the cake for later. They all jumped up to play soccer.

When they came back, what do you think they saw?

Make Predictions Text Marks

-  Underline the **story clues**.
-  Think about your **experience or knowledge**.
-  Write a **prediction**.

Mark the Text

Make a prediction. What did Sam's family see?

-  Underline story clues.
-  Think about your experience and knowledge.
-  Write a prediction on the lines.

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Read "Sand Castles." Mark the text and make a prediction.

Sand Castles

Ricky and Maria ran across the beach to the ocean. The tide was just going out. The waves left seashells behind on the sand. Maria ran to pick up shells. Ricky sat down and started to build. He scooped up wet sand and made the walls of a sand castle.

Maria joined him. She dribbled sand on top of the walls. She made towers out of sand. Their dad came up to take photos. Ricky and Maria stood by their sand castle and grinned. Then they went inside to get out of the hot sun.

Late that afternoon, Ricky and Maria came back to the beach. The water was much closer now. They looked for their sand castle. What do you think they saw?



Mark the Text

Make a prediction. What did Ricky and Maria see?

- Underline story clues.
- 💡 Think about your experience and knowledge.
- ✎ Write a prediction on the lines.

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Read "Snow Day." Mark the text and make a prediction.

Snow Day

The snow fell all night long. By the morning, it was 12 inches deep. The town closed the schools and called a snow day! Tony and Matt slept an extra hour in the morning. Then they put on hats, gloves, boots, and warm coats and ran into their backyard. The sun was warm and bright.

The boys rolled the snow into three big balls. They put the balls on top of each other. They used rocks for eyes and a carrot for a nose. Then they added a hat and scarf. The sun became warmer and warmer. Tony and Matt played outside all day. When they went inside, their snowman looked smaller.

The next morning, they had to go back to school. The temperature was up to 50 degrees! Tony and Matt went to the window to check on their snowman. What do you think they saw?



Mark the Text

Make a prediction. What did Tony and Matt see?

— Underline story clues.

💡 Think about your experience and knowledge.

✎ Write a prediction on the lines.