

# Reaction Skills Worksheet

Reaction is a skill we use when reading. It is how we feel and what we think after reading something. We often react to things we read.

- Notice words that tell us how the character feels, e.g. happy, sad, angry.
- See something that we feel strongly about.
- Relate to something that happens in the text that might have happened to us.

Have a go at using your reaction skills!

## Question 1

Read the following paragraphs and answer the questions below:

Giggles spread throughout the classroom like wildfire. Sam felt like she was going to burst trying to keep her laughter contained. Mr Jacobson had walked in wearing a blow-up dinosaur costume while playing music from a famous dinosaur movie. He stopped when he noticed the laughter and asked, "What? Is there something wrong with my jumper?"

At this, the entire class burst into uncontrollable laughter, and Mr. Jacobson welcomed the class to Jurassic Week. Sam wiped tears off her cheeks from laughing too hard and was excited to start the lesson.

a. How did this paragraph make you feel?

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b. What words or phrases made you react like that?

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c. Why do you think the writer chose those words? How do you think the writer wanted you to react?

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## Question 2

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions below:

Anaru blinked as the alarm radio clicked on. His favourite song! Doing a little dance, he thought about all the awesome stuff they were going to do today. It was his birthday, and they were going to do an escape room in the morning as a family, then his birthday party in the afternoon. After that, a trip to the movies with his best mates in the evening! Mum burst into the room singing happy birthday and carrying balloons and presents! Anaru pushed himself up on his pillows and grinned. This was going to be the best day ever!

a. How did this paragraph make you feel?

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b. What words or phrases made you react like that?

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c. Why do you think the writer chose those words? How do you think the writer wanted you to react?

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## Question 3

Look at the picture and answer the questions below:



a. How did the picture make you feel?

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b. What was it about the picture that made you react like that?

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c. What did the picture make you think?

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d. What about the picture made you react like that?

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# Reaction Skills Worksheet Answers

## Question 1

a. How did this paragraph make you feel?

**E.g. This paragraph made me feel silly and made me laugh.**

b. What words or phrases made you react like that?

**E.g. Giggles, laughter, Mr. Jacobson wearing a blow-up dinosaur costume, his joke about his jumper.**

c. Why do you think the writer chose those words? How do you think the writer wanted you to react?

**E.g. Because they wanted the reader to enjoy it and know how funny it was.**

## Question 2

a. How did this paragraph make you feel?

**E.g. This made me feel excited and happy!**

b. What words or phrases made you react like that?

**E.g. Dancing, fun things to do like an escape room, his birthday party, and going to the movies. Also 'best day ever.'**

c. Why do you think the writer chose those words? How do you think the writer wanted you to react?

**E.g. I think the writer wanted the reader to feel as excited as Anaru did.**

## Question 3

a. How did the picture make you feel?

**E.g. Nervous and worried**

b. What was it about the picture that made you react like that?

**E.g. It is a storm and the wave is crashing up over the house, it looks scary.**

c. What did the picture make you think?

**E.g. It made me think about the people, and hope they are safe.**

d. What about the picture made you react like that?

**E.g. The wind and waves look like they are going to break the house.**