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Making Inferences

Read this story. Then read each question. Fill in the circle next to the best answer.

The Surprise in the Old Barn

Ronny and his brother, Tyrone, arrived at Grandpa Jack's farm. As soon as they got there, they raced to the old barn. They couldn't wait to go exploring. At home they usually played at the park or took a bus to the mall. But they loved visiting Grandpa Jack and his farm because there were many different things to do.

"Let's see what's up in the loft," said Ronny. He climbed up the ladder, and Tyrone followed him. In the corner of the loft, they found an old trunk covered in dust.

Tyrone brushed the dust off and opened the lid. "Wow, there's a lot of old stuff in here. Look at this old rope," he said.

"And here's an old rodeo poster," said Ronny. "Hey! One of the cowboy names on it is Slim Simmons. Simmons is our last name!"

Tyrone found an old statue of a cowboy on a horse. It had the words *Grand Prize, Roping* on it. "Look at this," he said, holding it up. Tyrone thought for a moment. "Do you think that Grandpa Jack...?"

"I don't know," said Ronny before Tyrone could finish his question. "Let's go talk to Grandpa Jack right now!"

"Don't you mean Grandpa Slim?" asked Tyrone as he ran to catch up with his brother.

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1. What helps you infer that the boys are excited about visiting Grandpa Jack's farm?
 - A.** They had just arrived at the farm.
 - B.** They couldn't wait to go exploring.
 - C.** They play in the park when they are at home.
 - D.** They climb the ladder in the barn.

2. How do you think the boys feel when they find the items in the trunk?
 - F.** They are surprised.
 - G.** They feel sad.
 - H.** They are scared.
 - J.** They feel worried.

3. What do the boys' actions tell you about them?
 - A.** They are unfair.
 - B.** They are rude.
 - C.** They are curious.
 - D.** They are foolish.

4. Why do you think the boys' grandfather put the items in a trunk?
 - F.** He didn't have enough room in the trash.
 - G.** He moved homes and forgot to unpack them.
 - H.** There is no room in his farmhouse.
 - J.** He wants to keep them safe.

5. What do you think the boys will ask their grandfather about?
 - A.** what being a famous cowboy was like
 - B.** what the name of his horse was
 - C.** how the trunk got into the barn
 - D.** how he met their grandmother

