

Identifying the 5Ws

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

Identifying the 5Ws—**who**, **what**, **when**, **where** and **why**—can help you better understand what you read.

Read the story. As you do, think about the 5Ws.

Nine-year-old Ethan and his best friend Leo were sitting on the front porch, tossing a baseball back and forth. Their team, the Red Rockets, had a big tournament coming up. They needed new uniforms, but the coach said the team didn't have enough money to buy them!



"We could ask our parents for money," Ethan suggested.

Leo shook his head. "Coach said we should come up with ideas to raise the money ourselves."

Ethan thought for a moment. "What if we set up a lemonade stand? It's really hot out, and people love lemonade on hot days."

"That's a great idea!" Leo said, jumping to his feet. "Let's do it!"

The boys ran to Ethan's kitchen and gathered everything they needed: a big pitcher, some lemonade mix and water. Leo poured the ingredients into the pitcher, and Ethan stirred the mixture until it dissolved. They took a quick sip.

"Not bad!" Leo said.

"Now we need a sign," Ethan said. He grabbed some paper and markers, and together they made a bright sign that read, "Lemonade – \$1 a Cup! Help the Red Rockets!"

The boys set up a table at the end of Ethan's driveway. They taped their sign to the table and placed the pitcher of lemonade and some plastic cups on top of it. Then they sat back and waited.

At first, no one came. "Maybe this wasn't such a good idea," Ethan said, frowning.

"It's too early to give up," Leo replied. "We can do better." He stood up and waved at the cars passing by. "Fresh lemonade! Ice-cold lemonade!" he called out.

Soon, a woman walking her dog stopped by. "I'll take a cup," she said with a smile. Leo poured the lemonade, and Ethan handed it to her. She gave them a dollar and said, "Good luck with your team!"

After that, more people started coming. A group of kids on bikes bought lemonade, and a neighbor who was mowing his lawn came over to cool off. The boys worked as a team. Leo poured the lemonade, and Ethan collected the money.

By the end of the day, they had sold 25 cups of lemonade. "We made \$25!" Ethan said, counting the money.

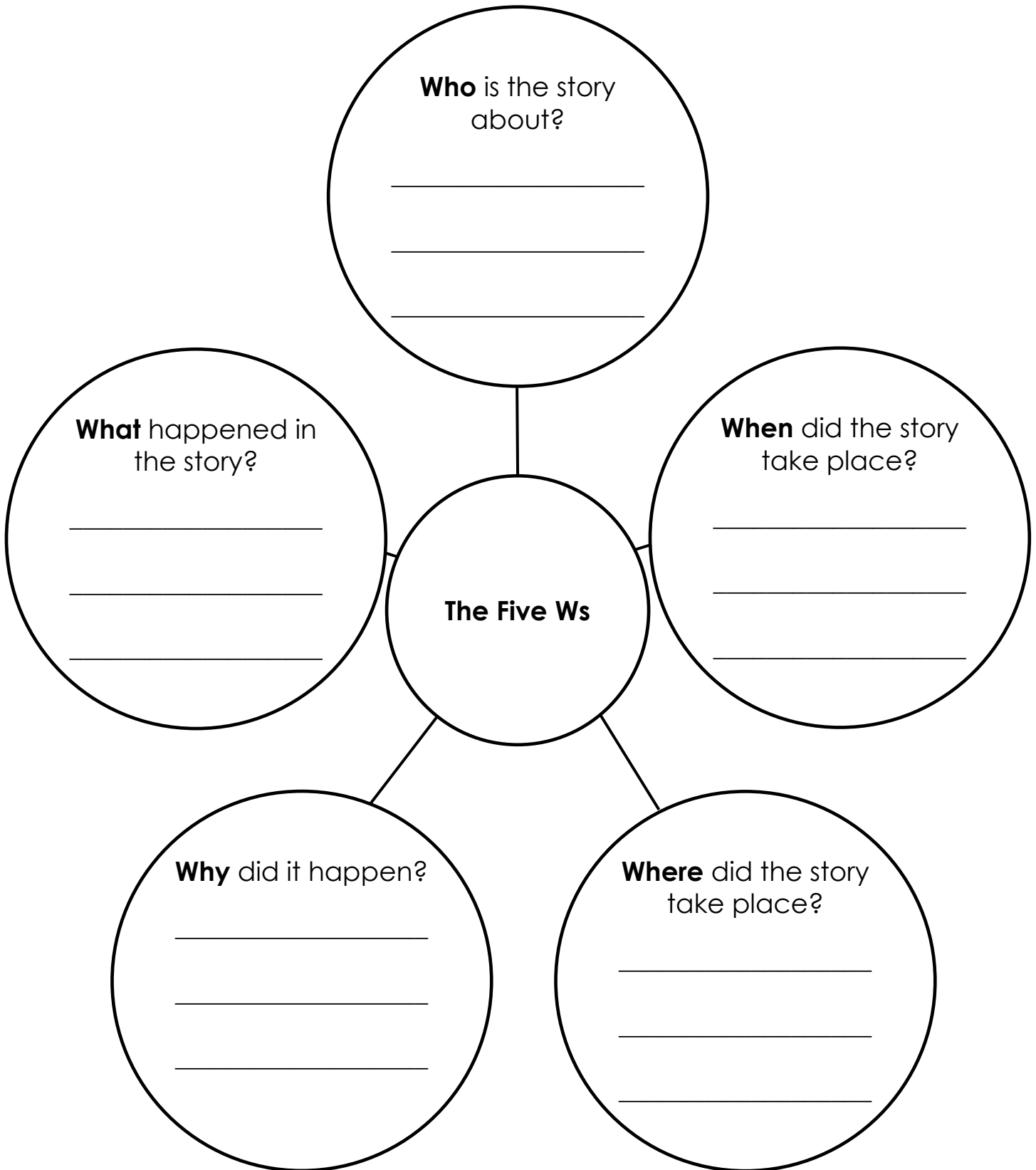
"Awesome, that's a great start!" Leo said. "If we do this a few more times, we'll have enough for the uniforms."

Ethan and Leo high-fived. They couldn't wait to tell their teammates about their plan. As they put away their supplies, Ethan said, "We might even sell enough lemonade to buy a trophy when we win the tournament!"

Leo laughed. "One step at a time, Ethan. Let's focus on the uniforms first!"



Then answer the question in each box as you explain the story's 5Ws:



Answers

Answers may vary slightly.

