

The Missing Ball

Sam the cat sat by the birdhouse watching Joey the dog. Joey ran around the yard looking for his ball. He ran to the big tree. The dog *looked* up in the branches. Joey ran to the sandbox. The dog dug in the sand. Joey ran to his doghouse and looked inside. Then, he ran over to Sam.

"Have you seen my ball?" he asked Sam.

"No. But I will help you look for it," Sam said.

Sam and Joey looked all over the yard. They could not find the ball. Just then, Sam saw a green ball under the flowers. He grabbed the ball and gave it to Joey. Joey was very happy. Sam and Joey played with the ball in the field.

1. What lesson was learned in the story?

- A** Dogs have more fun than cats.
- B** Cats are smarter than dogs.
- C** Working together can solve problems.

2. What kind of character was Sam?

- A** helpful
- B** silly
- C** lazy

3. Where did Joey look for his ball?

- A** in the field
- B** in the sandbox
- C** in the birdhouse

4. Which word means the same as the word *looked*?

- A** found
- B** glanced
- C** played