

Read the play.

Characters

Mike: Primary 6 student, 12 years old

Anna: Primary 3 student, 9 years old

Scene I

Mike: Can you sleep, Anna?

Anna: No, I can't. There's a lot of noise.

Mike: I can't sleep either. Can you hear Dad?

Anna: Yes, he's snoring. Can you hear Mum?

Mike: Yes, I can hear her laughing.

Anna: I can hear her opening the door too.

Mike: Now I can hear a dog.

Anna: Right, I can hear it barking.

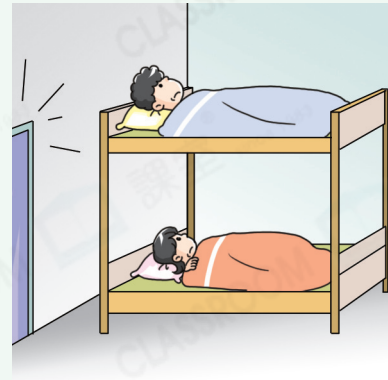
Mike: What can you hear now?

Anna: I can hear a baby. I can hear it crying. Wait, I can also hear children crying.

Oh no!

Mike: Keep cool. Let me go out and see what's going on...

[Mike opens the door and walks out.]



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Test your understanding.

- What time of the day is it?
 - A. early morning
 - B. before noon
 - C. late afternoon
 - D. late night
- Read lines 14-15. Anna _____.
 - A. felt cold
 - B. felt afraid
 - C. wanted to sleep
 - D. asked Mike to go outside
- Why couldn't the children sleep?
 - A. They wanted to talk.
 - B. They had a bad dream.
 - C. They did not feel tired.
 - D. They heard a lot of noise.
- What might happen next? Mike sees _____.
 - A. his dad working
 - B. a baby on the sofa
 - C. a dog in his house
 - D. his mum watching TV