

Learn a reading skill.

What's next?

Use information from the text and your own experience to guess what will happen next in the text.

e.g. What will Louis say?

Louis : The **Black Rainstorm** warning is hoisted. We don't have school today.
 Jamie : Let's go out and play!
 Louis : Of course not! It's...

The words '**Black Rainstorm warning**' is a hint that it may rain heavily outside, so Louis may say '**It's dangerous!**'.

Read the first part of the story.

My Little Sister (Part 1)

12-year-old Helen had an 8-year-old sister, Julie. Julie had short curly hair, big eyes and rosy cheeks. Helen had thick and long hair that covered half of her face. Helen and Julie's parents thought both Helen and Julie were beautiful; however, their relatives and friends all said that Julie was cute like an angel and Helen looked like a ghost. Helen was not happy about what everyone said.



One day, the sisters' mum asked Helen to pick up Julie from the ballet class. Helen did not want to go. 'I'm so ugly. If Julie's friends see me, they'll...' Helen thought. Helen went anyway because no one would take care of Julie if she did not.

'Ring!' When Helen arrived at the ballet school, the class had just ended. Helen could not find Julie in the class. 'Excuse me, where is Julie?' Helen asked the ballet teacher. 'Oh, she ran like the wind once the class ended,' the teacher replied. Helen was worried about her missing sister. She ran out of the school and looked for Julie on the streets. Suddenly, she saw a strange man holding the hand of a little girl who looked like Julie. Helen was scared but she followed the man...

Test your understanding.

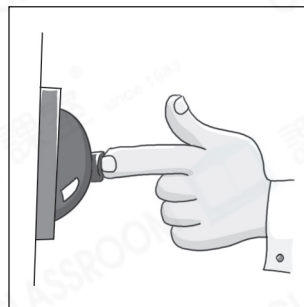
- What might Helen's parents say to Helen?
 - A. 'You're ugly.'
 - B. 'Don't be angry.'
 - C. 'You're pretty too.'
 - D. 'You have to be hard-working.'
- What might Julie's friends do when they see Helen?
 - A. scold her
 - B. laugh at her
 - C. play with her
 - D. teach her ballet
- Read line 13. 'Ring!' is the sound of the _____.



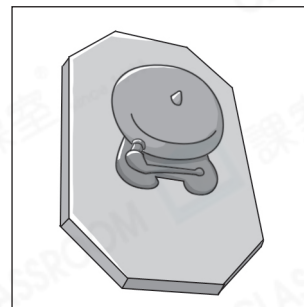
A.



B.



C.



D.

- Read line 15: '...she ran like the wind once the class ended...'
It means Julie _____.
 - A. felt cold
 - B. went very fast
 - C. ran in the wind
 - D. disliked the ballet class
- Who might the man be?
 - A. a stranger
 - B. Julie's dad
 - C. a policeman
 - D. Julie's teacher