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Quiz Time

**Directions:** Please answer the questions below.

1. **On the back of this paper, sequence three important events that happened to Elmer Elevator before he left on his journey.**

2. **Where did Elmer and the cat meet?**

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3. **How did Elmer’s mother feel about Elmer bringing a stray cat home and feeding it?**

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4. **What did Elmer tell the cat he wanted to do more than anything?**

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5. **Name the two islands about which the cat told Elmer.**

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6. **The cat described the animals on the island. What was their big problem?**

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7. **Explain how the animals were going to get to the other side of the river.**

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8. **How did the baby dragon get to the island with the animals?**

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9. **Write three items that Elmer had in his knapsack.**

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10. **How do you feel about how the animals treated the baby dragon? Why?**

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Knapsack Full of Memories

Elmer and the cat packed some very useful items into Elmer’s knapsack before he left for Wild Island. Although Elmer faced numerous dangers during the day, we never read what he did at night, alone, in the jungle, on an island inhabited by wild animals. Perhaps he thought of his warm bed at home, sitting down to dinner with his family, or some other family event.

Memories are an important part of all of our lives. We all have special memories of past events which create a positive, lasting place in our minds which we might think about in more lonely times or when we are away from familiar surroundings. Try to think of some of those memories and write them down in a short paragraph. Obtain a regular knapsack or bag and place your paragraph memories in it.

You may want to include some of the following items in your knapsack:

- a current family picture
- a drawing
- a sample of your handwriting
- a story that you wrote
- a cassette tape of yourself talking, singing, or reading
- a string measurement of your height
- a list of your favorite books, songs, movies, games, etc.

Once you have gathered your memories, place them in your knapsack and close it. Keep your knapsack in a safe place and open it some time in the future. You might be surprised by what you learn when you look back on your memories.
Elmer took his father’s knapsack and packed very interesting items to take with him on his journey. Imagine that your group is going to an island for a certain amount of time. List the items that Elmer took. Then think about the things that your group could take with them. List the items and then explain why your group would take each item.

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Locating Directions by the Sun

Elmer landed on the Island of Tangerina and crossed the Ocean Rocks to Wild Island. Elmer may have used the sun to help him find his direction.

The sun provides us with constant directional source and is, therefore, a natural compass. Work in teams to try some of the following methods of locating north, south, east, and west with the use of the sun. Check your results with a compass. When you are finished, make notes about which ways are most accurate. Share your results with the class.

1. **Sun**: The sun rises in the east and sets in the west. Try observing the sun and locating north, south, east, and west. (This method will be more accurate early or late in the day when the sun is not straight overhead.)

2. **Watch**: If you have a watch that is set to the local time, you can use it as a compass. Hold the watch flat in your hand and then turn the watch until the hour hand is pointing to the sun. If you draw an imaginary line between the hour hand and 12:00, the line will be pointing south.

3. **Stick Shadow**: You will need a flat, sandy location and a short, straight stick for this method. (A craft stick would work well.) Push the stick into the ground, angling it toward the sun, so that it will not make a shadow. Wait until it forms a shadow at least 7" (18 cm) long. The shadow that the stick makes will be pointing east. Now you can locate north, south, and west.

4. **Equal Length Shadow**: You will need a flat, sandy location, two pencils, a yardstick, and a piece of string. In the morning, push the yardstick into the ground. Tie the string with a loose knot at the bottom of the yardstick. Stretch the string out from the yardstick to the end of the yardstick’s shadow. Tie the pencil to the string at this point. Use the pencil to sketch a circle in the dirt around the yardstick and then push the pencil into the ground where the shadow meets the circle. In the afternoon, take the second pencil and push it into the ground where the new shadow meets the circle. Sketch a straight line in the dirt to connect the two pencils. This line marks east and west. The morning marker is west. Now you can find north and south.