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Use Context **CLUES**

Context Clues **CCSS L.5.4, L.6.4a, L.7.4a, L.8.4a**

Read the Story

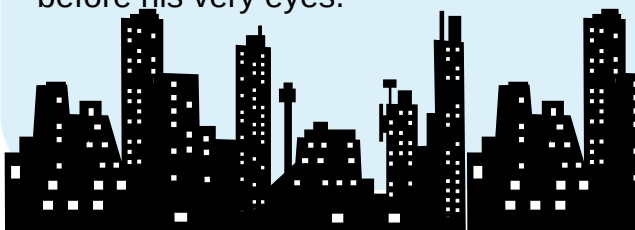
In a bustling city filled with towering buildings and busy streets, there lived a young boy named Michael. Michael had always dreamed of becoming an artist, using his paintings to capture the beauty of the world around him and share it with others.

Every day after school, Michael hurried home to his small apartment, eager to escape into the world of his imagination. There, he would set up his easel and paint, losing himself in the colors and shapes on his canvas, each brushstroke a small piece of his soul poured onto the page.

Despite his love for art, Michael's family didn't understand his dreams. They wanted him to focus on more practical subjects, like math or science. But Michael refused to give up on his passion, knowing deep down that art was where his heart truly lay.

One day, while walking through the city, Michael stumbled upon an art gallery. To his surprise, the gallery owner was impressed by his work and offered him a chance to exhibit his paintings, a dream come true for the young artist.

Overwhelmed with gratitude, Michael accepted the offer. Soon, his paintings were on display in the gallery, captivating the attention of art lovers from near and far. With each brushstroke, Michael realized that he had found his place in the world as an artist, his dreams finally coming to life before his very eyes.



Answer the Questions

Reread the passage carefully to best answer each context clue question.

1. What does the word "eager" imply about Michael's behavior in the sentence, "Every day after school, Michael hurried home to his small apartment"?

- A. Lazy B. Excited C. Reluctant

2. What does the phrase "a haven amidst the urban chaos" suggest about Michael's apartment?

- A. Noisy B. Calm C. Crowded

3. What does the word "pragmatic" mean in the sentence, "They urged him to focus on subjects deemed more practical, like math or science"?

- A. Imaginative
B. Realistic
C. Unimportant

4. What does the phrase "altered the course of his destiny" imply about the gallery owner's offer?

- A. Changed his future
B. Ruined his plans
C. Had no effect

5. "Captivating the attention of art lovers". Were Michael's paintings successful?