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## Comprehension QUEST #4

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### A Christmas Surprise

Morning light crept through the frosty windows, casting a soft glow across Milo's room. He had barely slept, his thoughts spinning with excitement. Tugging on his flannel robe, he tiptoed into the living room, where the Christmas tree shimmered with golden lights. The scent of pine and cinnamon filled the air.

"Merry Christmas, Milo," his dad ruffled Milo's hair and smiled. "Go ahead and open your gifts."

Milo unwrapped a sketchpad and colored pencils, then a soft green scarf. Each gift made him smile, but something caught his eye—a large box in the corner of the room was moving slightly.

"What's in there?" he asked, pointing.

"Why don't you find out?" his mom replied. She winked at Milo.

Milo carefully lifted the lid. A golden puppy with floppy ears tumbled out and into his lap, wagging its tail. Milo gasped. "A puppy?" he whispered.

The puppy licked his cheek, its soft fur brushing against his skin. Milo hugged it tightly, laughing. "What's his name?"

"That's up to you," his dad said.

Milo thought for a moment. "How about Maple? His fur looks like maple syrup."

Maple barked happily, darting around the room as Milo laughed. He tugged at a red ribbon, tripping over his own paws, making Milo giggle even more. By the end of the morning, the two were happily snuggled together on the couch, ready for the many adventures ahead.



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 **Short Answer QUEST #4**   
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**Directions:** Answer the questions to show comprehension after reading the passage.

1. Why is Milo excited as he wakes up on Christmas morning?

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2. How does the author describe the living room when Milo enters it?

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3. What clues let Milo know something special might be inside the large box?

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4. Why does Milo decide to name the puppy Maple?

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5. How do Milo and Maple spend the rest of the morning? What does this show about their bond?

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## Multiple Choice QUEST #4

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**Directions:** Choose the best answer for each comprehension question after reading.

**1. What is the first thing Milo notices when he enters the living room on Christmas morning?**

- A. The Christmas tree with sparkling lights.
- B. His parents sitting by the fire.
- C. The presents under the tree.
- D. A pile of cookies left for Santa.

**2. What is unusual about the large box in the corner of the room?**

- A. It is the biggest present under the tree.
- B. It is the only box with colorful wrapping paper.
- C. It is moving slightly.
- D. It is already open when Milo sees it.

**3. What is the first gift Milo opens on Christmas morning?**

- A. A red ribbon for his puppy.
- B. A set of colored pencils and a sketchpad.
- C. A new sweater.
- D. A pair of winter boots.

**4. What is the mood in the living room when Milo's family watches him open the gifts?**

- A. Excitement and joy.
- B. Tension and worry.
- C. Quiet and calm.
- D. Confusion and surprise.

**5. What does Milo do after naming the puppy "Maple"?**

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