

Analyze Repetition Across Events

Boomer's Big Surprise - Grade 1 - Short lesson

TIME

OBJECTIVE

15 minutes Find every place the book says nobody noticed Boomer, and put them in order.

PRODUCT

Rows for each time, in order, with a box for what Boomer tried and a box for the words the book used
Essential question: The same thing keeps happening to Boomer. How does the book say it each time?

Materials	Text to mark
• The book	• Passage 2 - a dog's face among a family's legs

- A row for each time Boomer is ignored in the book
- Prepared passages: Passage 2, Passage 6, Passage 8

Lesson sequence

1 The first time - 5 min

- Passage 6 - a family on a sofa petting a puppy, the grown dog looking up from the floor
- Passage 8 - a boy running with a puppy across a lawn, the grown dog lying by the bins

Focus:	A try and another try, both refused
Teacher model:	Read this page and ask what Boomer tries.
Prepared text:	Passage 2 2 The next two - 6 min
Teacher direction:	Write the words each of these pages ends with.
Expected answer:	But no one did - on both of them.
Prepared text:	Passage 6, Passage 8 3 What got shorter - 4 min
Teacher direction:	Say what has happened to the sentence by the second time.
Expected answer:	It has been cut down to four words.
Prepared text:	Passage 2, Passage 6

Support & extension

Above: Say why the shortest version of the sentence is the saddest one.

Below: Find the page where Boomer waits for someone to throw the ball.

Assessment

- Finds all the times Boomer is ignored
- Quotes the words the book uses each time
- Notices the sentence gets shorter

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