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Badger Opens a Shop

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Nell had one red boot. The other boot was gone.

Then she saw a sign on a log. It said SHOP.

Badger sat inside. "Come in! It is all new!" he said.

On a shelf sat a sock and Gran's best spoon.

Next to the spoon sat a red boot!

"That is my boot!" said Nell. "I want it."

"Then you will love it," said Badger. "It costs ten berries."

Nell had just three berries.

"No ten berries, no boot!" Badger shook his head hard.

He shook so hard that his hat fell off.

Nell got the hat. Then she got a big box.

Soon there was a new shop next to his.

It had just one thing in it. It was his hat!

Badger felt his head. "My hat!" he said.

"It is a very good hat," said Nell. "It costs one boot."

Badger paid fast. He gave her the spoon, too.

Nell went home in two boots. Mom was at the door.

"Have you seen my left shoe?" said Mom.

Nell asked, "Do you have ten berries?"

Questions

1. What did Nell lose?

A. A red boot
B. A blue hat
C. A big spoon

2. How many berries did Badger want?

A. Three
B. Ten

C. One

3. What did Nell sell in her shop?

A. Her red boot
B. A box of berries
C. Badger's hat

4. Why did Badger give back the boot?

A. He wanted his hat
B. He was sleepy
C. Nell had ten berries

5. Where is Mom's shoe most likely to be?

A. In Nell's boot
B. In Badger's shop
C. Under a bed

Words to know

shop: a store
shelf: a flat board
costs: is priced at
berries: small sweet fruit
paid: gave money

Answer key: Badger Opens a Shop

1. A. A red boot
2. B. Ten
3. C. Badger's hat
4. A. He wanted his hat
5. B. In Badger's shop