Year 4 reading comprehension: Bossy Magpie

English · Reading comprehension
Level: Easy

Student: _____ Date: _____

Instructions
- Read the text first. There are 2 questions. Read each one carefully.
- Circle the best answer. Look back at the text to find the words that tell you.
- A grown-up can read the text aloud — that's fine.
- The answers are at the end. Check them together when you have finished.

Questions

Read this, then answer questions 1–2.

Bossy Magpie

Magpie thought every tree in the park was his. 'Go away!' he squawked at the little wrens. 'Go away!' he squawked at the lorikeets.

Silly Magpie. The park has hundreds of trees, and there is plenty of room for everyone.

1. What does the narrator think of Magpie?

Circle one answer.

- ○ **A** He is kind to the wrens.
- ○ **B** He is right, because the trees are his.
- ○ **C** He is being silly and bossy.

2. Which sentence gives the narrator's own opinion?

Circle one answer.

- ○ **A** Magpie thought every tree in the park was his.
- ○ **B** 'Go away!' he squawked at the little wrens.
- ○ **C** Silly Magpie.

Answer key

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1. C — He is being silly and bossy.

The narrator says 'Silly Magpie' and that there is 'plenty of room for everyone'. The narrator thinks he is being silly and bossy.

2. C — Silly Magpie.

'Go away!' is Magpie talking, and 'thought every tree… was his' is Magpie's idea. 'Silly Magpie.' is the narrator's opinion.