Lesson 8: Short Stories

Answer key

Task 1 – Possible answers

Picture A: primary school child, possible age 7
Picture B: teenagers, possible ages 15-18
Picture C: young adults, possible ages 21-25
Picture D: young child, possible age 3

Task 2 – Key

1. c   2. d   3. b   4. a

Task 4 – Key

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<th>Past simple</th>
<th>Past continuous</th>
<th>Past perfect</th>
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<td>The Peaches</td>
<td>stopped creaked, climbed down, dragged out, swung, heard, saw, opened, said, nudged up</td>
<td>curling out</td>
<td>had contradicted</td>
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<td>A Visit to Grandpa's</td>
<td>woke, heard, climbed</td>
<td>crying, trotting, was walking, was roaring, riding</td>
<td>had stayed, had squeaked, had creaked, had flapped, (had) beaten, had pulled</td>
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<td>The Fight</td>
<td>lived, complained, threw, sat, tried, pretended, knew, peeped, saw, lost, pushed</td>
<td>was standing, annoying, was staring, was going, was trembling, was breathing</td>
<td>had beaten, had not heard</td>
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<td>One Warm Saturday</td>
<td>set, saw</td>
<td>building, playing</td>
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Think about it

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