

READING: CHARACTERS

INSTRUCTIONS

Use multiplication to count bigger numbers in the questions below.

The Perfect Crazy Summer Fort

As soon as the school year was over, Sebastian and Carlos decided to build a fort. They built it in Carlos's backyard. They worked all afternoon. They also made a flag out of a pole and a purple polka-dotted scarf.

"This is the most awesome fort ever!" Carlos exclaimed proudly. Sebastian had a very glum look on his face.

"We shouldn't have painted the door green," Sebastian said. "I have to fix it."

If Carlos didn't know Sebastian, he might have thought his friend was mad at him. However, he knew his friend very well. Sebastian was never happy right away with things he made. He always worked to make things better. Carlos liked that his friend worked so hard, but he knew they wouldn't have enough time to finish today.

When Sebastian's older sister came to pick him up, Sebastian was still busy painting the door red and fixing things. He had started to make a sign that said "Our Fort."

"Sorry, Carlos," Sebastian said. "I was hoping to finish before I left."

"It's okay, Sebastian," Carlos said. "I think it would be fun to work on the fort and play in it all summer long."

That made Sebastian grin from ear to ear. "Awesome!" he said. "So we can spend the summer making the most perfect crazy fort ever!"

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1. How does Carlos like the fort at the beginning?
 - a. He is proud of it.
 - b. He is upset that the door is green.
 - c. He wants everything to be perfect.
 - d. He is glum.

2. Sebastian can best be described as a person who
 - a. likes to paint
 - b. wants everything to be perfect
 - c. just wants to have fun
 - d. often gets angry at his friends

3. Sebastian paints the door red because
 - a. he thinks a red door is better than a green door
 - b. he is angry with Carlos for painting the door green
 - c. he wants to make Carlos proud of him
 - d. he does not want to play with Carlos

4. How does Carlos know that Sebastian is not mad at him?

5. What is one way that Carlos and Sebastian are not alike?
