Jackson's Day

Jackson is a golden retriever who likes to play and go on walks but hates getting a bath. Whenever he hears the water running in the tub, he hides behind the couch and growls at his owner, Jennifer. One day, he even ran out the front door when it was bath time.

Jackson ran and ran until he found a huge mud puddle, and he jumped right into the murky water. He was completely covered in mud. His golden fur was brown and slimy from head to toe. He continued his journey away from home hoping to find other dogs in the neighborhood that wanted to play. He did not find any dogs at the local park or near the elementary school where Jennifer always walked him at night. He hoped he would at least find a cat to chase, but there were no dogs or cats in Jackson's path.

After an hour of playing, Jackson started to get hungry and decided to walk back to the house. Meanwhile at home, Jennifer was worried and scared that Jackson might not ever come back. She looked all over the neighborhood and had no luck finding him. She even checked with her neighbors to ask whether or not they had seen Jackson. A while later, after Jennifer got home, she heard a bark coming from the front door. That bark was familiar. It was Jackson! Jennifer was amazed at how filthy Jackson had gotten in the time he was gone. Before Jackson could eat his dinner, he had to face the bath he had run away from. This time, he listened and took his bath without any trouble. Soon Jackson was clean, but he needed a nap!

1.) Where did Jackson look for other dogs to play with?

    A. The grocery store.

    B. The local park.

    C. In his backyard.

    D. In the bathtub.

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2.) What does the word familiar mean?

    A. Well-known.

    B. Strange.

    C. Pleasant.

    D. Unfriendly.

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3.) What is the main idea of the passage?

    A. Jennifer searches for her dog.

    B. Jackson wants to find a friend to play with.

    C. Jackson runs away to avoid taking a bath.

    D. Jackson is a bad dog.

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4.) Why did Jackson need a nap at the end of the passage?

    A. Jackson was tired from his adventure.

    B. It was Jackson's bedtime.

    C. Baths make Jackson sleepy.

    D. Jennifer was getting ready for bed.

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5.) Why does Jackson decide to return home after running away?

    A. Jackson begins to get hungry.

    B. Jackson wants to take a bath after getting muddy.

    C. Jackson is afraid a car might hit him.

    D. Jackson hears Jennifer in the kitchen.

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On a scale between 1 and 10 with 1 being low and 10 being how well did you like this passage?

Didn't Like It At All	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	I Really Liked It

Connections: Think about one of your pets (or a pet you know if you don't have one) and write a short story describing a time the pet got in trouble. Be sure to explain the situation using clear details to describe the animal's bad behavior.