

# Reading Comprehension: Problem and Solution 2



**A story can have more than one problem and solution!**

Problem	Solution
<p>A conflict between:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• two or more characters</li> <li>• a character and nature</li> <li>• a character and him/herself</li> </ul> <p>* Usually found at the beginning of a story</p>	<p>The way in which a problem is solved</p> <p>* Usually found at the end of a story</p>
<p><b>Signal Words:</b> problem, issue, conflict</p>	<p><b>Signal Words:</b> answer, solve, solution, resolution</p>

**Directions:** Read the passages and answer the questions that follow.

A Mess With the Car	Questions
<p>Eli's mom drove a vintage car. She took care of it, but it always seemed to have issues. One day, Eli was in the car with his mom and sister on their way to visit their cousins.</p> <p>To get there, they had to cross a bridge. The bridge always had traffic, but that day was worse than normal. It seemed that there was an accident that was causing traffic. Eli was concerned about the people in the accident. He hoped they were okay!</p> <p>Suddenly, Eli's mom said, "Oh no!" Eli and his sister looked out the front window to see smoke rising from the hood of the car. Eli's mom quickly turned the car off and jumped out. She opened the hood, and the children watched more smoke rise into the air. Eli's sister began to cry.</p> <p>Eli's mom called family members for help. She then called for a tow truck. She assured her children that they were safe and help was on the way. When the accident was cleared off the bridge, traffic began moving again. Eli, his sister, and his mom waited in the car for family to arrive.</p> <p>Thankfully, the family members arrived with their minivan. Eli's family car had to be towed to the shop so a mechanic could fix it. The family still enjoyed their visit, and they were thankful for so many helping hands!</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Underline the main problem in red.</li> <li>Underline the main solution in green.</li> <li>Circle the statement that is true.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eli was embarrassed about the car breaking down in traffic.</li> <li>Eli's sister helped her mom solve the problem while on the bridge.</li> <li>Eli's mom does not take care of her car.</li> <li>Eli cares about other people.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Find the part of the story that shows that Eli's mom knows how to take care of her family. Circle the sentences.</li> <li>What other problems existed in the story, "A Mess with the Car"? List 3.                _____                _____                _____             </li> <li>What problem did the family members solve at the end of the story?                _____                _____             </li> </ol>