

Read the story **My Big Brother JJ** and complete the questions using 'Reach for the Stars!'

I was happy. My brother JJ was happy. It was nearly half term. Then Mum rushed into the room.

"JJ! Jasmine! I need to talk to you about next week. I know it is holiday time but I have to go to work" she said. "I need to know that you can be a good girl for JJ. He will be in charge."



On Monday we had a very good day. We went to the fair in the park. I won a huge pink teddy. On Wednesday we went to the circus in a big tent. It was so lovely! We saw acrobats swinging high above our heads. On Friday JJ said "Let's do something for Mum. She has been working all week." "Can we do a picture in the garden?" I asked.



"Let's find the paints" said JJ.

"Can we paint the shed wall?" I asked.

"Yes," said JJ. "It is a really boring colour!" JJ fetched the steps.

He said "These steps are a bit wobbly. I will paint the top bit." He climbed up and painted a basketball net and a red ball going into it. I painted some beautiful flowers and some grass.



When we finished, our painting was really bright and colourful.

Then JJ said "Hold these brushes very carefully. I will get something to clean them." I wanted to see the top of our picture so I climbed the steps. They wobbled! I dropped the brushes!



Red, white, green and yellow droplets flicked all over the sky at the top of our lovely painting! Great splashes of paint landed on my clothes.

"Mum will be furious!" I wailed. We rubbed and scrubbed as much as we could. We did not hear Mum come home. Then we saw her. I wanted to hide from her really cross face.



"Jasmine! You have got paint all over your hair" she shouted. But then she saw the painting. Her face changed. "Whatever made you think of doing that?" she said. "It is FANTASTIC and I love the sparkling fireworks at the top!" JJ grinned.

"It was Jasmine's idea to add some extra colour" he said. We all laughed.



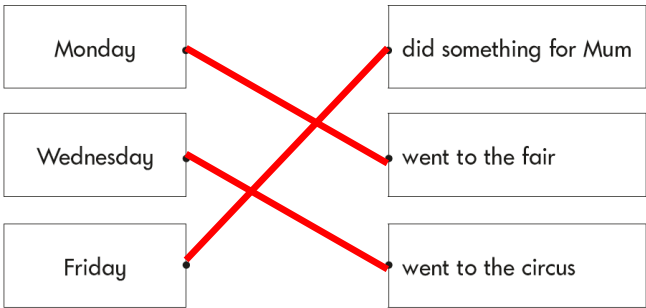
Reach for the Stars!

Why was JJ looking after Jasmine?
Tick **one**.

- Mum was going to work. ☒
- Mum was going on holiday. ☐
- Jasmine was ill. ☐
- Jasmine was going on holiday. ☐



Draw **three** lines to show what Jasmine and JJ did on each day.



Why did JJ agree to paint the shed wall?

He said the colour was boring/ dull.
So it would be more colourful/ look nicer.



Why did JJ paint the top of the shed? Tick **one**.

- Jasmine didn't like painting. ☐
- The steps were dangerous. ☒
- He knew what to paint. ☐
- Mum would like what he painted. ☐



Why did Jasmine climb the steps?

So she could look at the top of the picture/ to see the top of the shed/ because she wanted to see the top of the painting.



Find and copy two words that tell you how JJ and Jasmine tried to clean off the paint.

- 1. rubbed
- 2. scrubbed



How did Mum feel when she first saw Jasmine? Why did she feel like this?

She was cross/ angry/ horrified/ furious/ shocked/ surprised
because they had made a mess/ Jasmine got paint in her hair.



Stars

Count how many you got.