

Community Progress

I was part of our school mural. I helped to paint it. And I am in it. When you see the mural, you will see my picture. The mural shows children playing. I am one of the children in the picture.

The mural shows the future, too. It shows what we want to be. Our teachers asked us to choose careers. They asked us what job we want in the future. I chose teacher. I want to be a teacher.

After we painted the mural, a newspaper reporter came. She said that she had heard about the mural from a friend. She told her editor. An editor is someone who decides what is in the newspaper. The editor said it was a good story. He sent her to learn about it.

The reporter talked with us. Then the reporter left. Then a photographer came. He said that the newspaper was going to put a story about the mural in the paper. They needed a photo to show what it looked like.

The newspaper put the story in the paper. Everyone was excited. People came from other neighborhoods to see our mural. One day a bus came. It brought children from another school. Their teacher said she read about us in the newspaper. She wanted to help their school make a mural. Then their school would look special, too.

Our principal went to visit that school. She told them how we made the mural. She was proud of what we had done. Then she came back to our school. She met with the parents. She told them, "I think we need another mural. Our building has more walls."

CCSS Anchor Reading Standard 1. **Read closely** to determine what the text says **explicitly** and to **make logical inferences** from it; **cite specific textual evidence** when writing or speaking to **support conclusions** drawn from the text.

These are questions you can ask and answer about any story. Write your answers on another page.

1. Sequence: Which event happened first? Which happened last?
2. Character Traits: Name one character. What is one trait you infer that character has? Explain why you think that.
3. Motive: What is something that person does? Why do you think that person does that?
4. Summarize: Summarize the story in four sentences. Tell about the characters and what they do.
5. Main Idea: What do you think is the main idea of the story?