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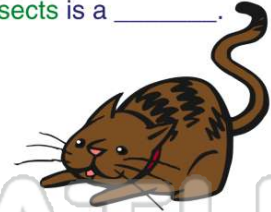
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- A Cats like to play.
- B Indoor cats sleep a lot.
- C House cats are hunters too.
- D Cats should live outdoors.



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- A main idea
- B detail
- C resolution
- D plot



3 In a paragraph about **things that cats hunt**, a **conclusion** that can be drawn might be that **even indoor cats know how to catch something to eat**.



4 The **main idea** in a **newspaper article** about the space shuttle might be _____.

- A it's gotten less expensive
- B riding in the shuttle is not educational
- C the shuttle conducts music



PREVIEW

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B all the people become evil
C the good people begin to like evil
D the villains are sent away from the town



- B a scientist discovers a new medicine
- C a test-tube creature breaks out of the lab
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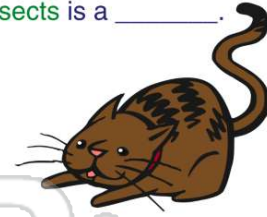
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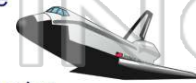
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(d)

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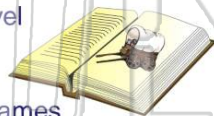
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