

# Common Core Aligned Comprehension Assessment

**When I Was Little: A Four-Year-Old's Memoir of Her Youth**  
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**Directions:**

Use what you know about *When I Was Little: A Four-Year-Old's Memoir of Her Youth* to answer each of the following questions.

**1. What is the little girl doing as she tells the story?**

- A She is reading a book.
- B She is telling us why she is better than the new baby.
- C She is painting her toenails bubble-gum pink.
- D She is comparing herself now to when she was a baby.

**2. What was one problem the girl had when she was a baby?**

- A She ate too much Captain Crunch.
- B She cried a lot.
- C She never got to swim in the pool.
- D She was too afraid to go on the slide at the park.

**3. How does the little girl feel about being 4 years old?**

- A She wants to go back to being a baby because it was easy.
- B She is mad because there is a new baby in the family.
- C She feels good because she understands more and knows who she is.
- D She would rather be 14, because 4-year-olds don't get to do anything.

**4. The girl feels happy and proud of the things she knows and can do now. What might she be hoping you feel as you read the story?**

- A She hopes you are happy reading her story.
- B She hopes you are jealous.
- C She hopes you feel bad.
- D She hopes you understand.

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**5. The title says this is a "memoir" of her youth. What does that mean about the story she is telling? (RL.1.5)**

- A She is retelling a story she heard at school.
- B These are her memories and are true for her.
- C She made up everything she said from her imagination.
- D She wishes this is how her life was now.

**6. How do you know the 4-year-old girl is telling the story? (RL.1.6)**

- A She says "I" and tells us at the beginning that babies just cry. She uses words.
- B She talks about food and playing.
- C The mom is actually telling the story.
- D Only 4-year-olds get time-outs.

**7. What can you tell about the girl by looking at the illustrations? (RL.1.7)**

- A She is not helpful at all.
- B She is shy and boring.
- C She seems lonely.
- D She loves her family and helping with the baby.

**8. What is something that hasn't changed from when she was a baby? (RL.1.9)**

- A She makes up funny words that don't make sense.
- B She sleeps in a crib.
- C She still gives her mom and dad a kiss goodnight.
- D She eats goo and yucky stuff.

**9. If the girl writes another memoir about being 7 years old, what new thing might she be able to do or understand? (RL.1.10)**

- A She might know how to read, add, and subtract.
- B She might know how to drive a real car.
- C She might go back to eating goo and yucky stuff.
- D She probably won't swim or play anymore.

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Answer Key

