

Fluency Passage–Fiction

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Darby's Birthday Party

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## Kim's Surprise

Today is Kim's birthday. She joins her family for breakfast.	10
No one says, "Happy Birthday." Kim smiles at her family.	20
They smile back. They do not say a word.	29
Kim asks whether they know what day it is. "No," they say.	41
Kim is <b>unhappy.</b> How could they forget?	48
She leaves the table. She will go to her <b>favorite</b> place.	59
It is a nice spot in the park. She likes to go there to think.	74
She has a lot to think about today.	82
Kim packs a lunch and takes a book to read.	92
Then she heads out. It is a long <b>hike</b> to the place.	104
Finally, Kim reaches her <b>special</b> place.	110
There are her family and friends. She sees a cake.	120
"Happy Birthday!" everyone shouts.	124
They did not forget her at all.	131
They wanted to give her a surprise.	138

