

Max the Monkey's Market Mission

Learning objective: To develop reading comprehension skills by identifying and sequencing events in a short story.

Read the story of Max the Monkey below. Your task is to put the five events from his trip to the market in the correct order by writing numbers 1 to 5 in the boxes provided.

Max the monkey went to the local market with his little wicker basket. He had three silver coins in his pocket to buy some fruit. First, he walked past the bakery and smelled the warm bread. Then, he found a stall piled high with yellow bananas. He counted his money carefully to make sure he had enough. Max swapped his coins for a bunch of bananas. He walked home feeling very happy and ate his snack under a tall oak tree.

Word bank: market · bananas · coins · basket · cheerfully

1. Max walked past the bakery and smelled the warm bread. (1 mark)

2. Max ate his snack under a tall oak tree. (1 mark)

3. Max went to the market with his little wicker basket. (1 mark)

4. Max found a stall with yellow bananas. (1 mark)

5. Max swapped his coins for the bananas. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey sitting under the tall oak tree eating his bananas. Can you include his wicker basket next to him?



Extension challenge: Imagine Max wanted to buy an apple instead of a banana. Write one sentence about what he might do next.