

REBECCA OF SUNNYBROOK FARM

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LEVEL 1



WORDS USED

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KEY WORDS

clean
farm
fine
horse
name

barn
flowers
leave
miss
thought

always
angry
nice
than
wish

anything
let
listen
shoe
stay

both
going
lamp
outside
take

NECESSARY WORDS

money
stagecoach

kiss
teacher
thirsty
water pail

cloth
dress
errand
pink
sew

children
Friday
mind
sneak
soon

again
company
idea
soap
Thanksgiving

REBECCA LEAVES THE FARM



Rebecca tells Jeremiah that she would like to sit up front with him, not inside the coach. That way, she could see more.

Preview:

1. Read the name of the story.
2. Look at the picture.
3. Read the sentences under the picture.
4. Read the first two paragraphs of the story.
5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that

- a. Rebecca owns a horse.
- b. Rebecca is leaving her home.
- c. Rebecca is afraid.
- d. Rebecca doesn't want any friends.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 10 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read to find out where Rebecca is going.

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Rebecca Randall had put on her fine, spring coat. That made her happy. She liked fine things. Her mother said she could put it on for her ride to her new home.

She was not afraid to go away from the farm. Her good, old Sunnybrook Farm. She was sure to make new friends.

Rebecca saw the horses come over the hill. The stagecoach (stáj kóch) stopped.

"Is this the coach to Riverboro?" Mrs. Randall said to the man.

"Yes," said the man. "My name is Jeremiah Cobb. My horses and I are going to Riverboro."

"Good," said Mrs. Randall. "I want you to take Rebecca to my sisters' house. Sawyer is the name. Miranda and Jane Sawyer."

Mr. Cobb helped Rebecca into the coach.

"I'll be fine, Mother,"

said Rebecca. "I'll be a good girl and I'll keep my face clean."

The ride to Riverboro was fun, but Rebecca wanted to sit with Jeremiah. He stopped the coach and helped her out. She sat with him the rest of the way.

"My name is Rebecca Randall," she said. "I live on a farm. I will go to school in Riverboro. I will make a lot of money one day. Then I can help with the farm. Father is not living. Mother needs more money for there are so many of us at home."

Mr. Cobb liked Rebecca. She was only ten years old. She was so much fun! And old for her years.

They had come to the Sawyer home. Mr. Cobb helped Rebecca into the house. It was a fine, clean house.

"It's good to see you Rebecca," said Aunt Miranda.

"It's good to see you too," said Rebecca. She looked at Mr. Cobb.

"It was good to ride with you," said Rebecca.

"It was fun for me too," said Jeremiah.

REBECCA LEAVES THE FARM**COMPREHENSION CHECK**

Choose the best answer.

1. In the beginning of the story, we find out that Rebecca
 - a. does not like people.
 - b. is afraid of everything.
 - c. owns a horse.
 - d. likes fine things.
2. How did Rebecca get from Sunnybrook Farm to Riverboro?
 - a. By plane
 - b. By stagecoach
 - c. By bus
 - d. By car
3. What was the stagecoach driver's name?
 - a. Jeremiah Cobb
 - b. Sam Randall
 - c. Miranda Sawyer
 - d. Jane Sawyer
4. Rebecca was going to live with
 - a. Jeremiah Cobb.
 - b. her new friends.
 - c. her aunts Miranda and Jane.
 - d. her father.
5. Rebecca tells Mr. Cobb that some day she will
 - a. run away.
 - b. drive a coach.
 - c. own a horse.
 - d. make a lot of money.
6. Mr. Cobb learns from Rebecca that
 - a. her father is not living and her mother needs money.
 - b. Sunnybrook Farm burned down.
 - c. Aunt Miranda needs money.
 - d. she is an only child.
7. Rebecca was going to live with her aunts because
 - a. they needed Rebecca's help.
 - b. she would be going to school in Riverboro.
 - c. Rebecca didn't like her mother.
 - d. Rebecca didn't have any other place to live.
8. How do you think Sunnybrook Farm got its name?
 - a. The sun always shines there.
 - b. The farm is very large.
 - c. There is a brook near it and when the sun is on the brook, it shines.
 - d. Rebecca was always happy on the farm.
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "A New Home."
 - b. "Don't Cry."
 - c. "Run Away Rebecca."
 - d. "How To Drive A Stagecoach."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Rebecca's brothers and sisters.
 - b. Rebecca's aunts.
 - c. Mr. Cobb's family.
 - d. a new life for a young girl.

Preview Answer:

b. Rebecca is leaving her home.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.