

Safe at Home

Pre-reading



Questions:

- Do you feel safe in your home? Why or why not?

Definitions:

- Safe – not in danger
- Rob – to take someone else’s things; to steal
- Thief – a person who takes things that are not his
- Laundry room – a place where clothes are washed and dried

Reading

15 Deb and Zain are friends. They have coffee together once a week. Zain greets
27 Deb, “Hi, Deb. How are you?” Deb replies, “I’m not so well. I was robbed last
41 night. The thief took my computer and my purse. I did not lock my door when I got
58 my clothes from the laundry room.”
59 “I feel bad for you, Deb. We all like to feel safe,” says Zain. “I lock my door
77 when I am in my home and when I am gone. I carry my keys with me at all times,”
97 says Zain.
99 “I try to keep my doors locked, too,” says Deb, “but this one time I did not.
122 From now on I will lock my door each time I leave.”

Understanding

1. What happened to Deb? _____

2. How did the thief get in Deb's place? _____

3. What did the thief take? _____

4. When does Zain lock her door? _____

5. What does Zain carry with her at all times? _____

Writing

Choice A: Retell the story in your own words.

Choice B: What do you do to feel safe in your home?
