

Mystery at Maple Street Answer Key

Verbs are shown in **bold**, with their labels in parentheses.

Last night, I **was** (L) in the kitchen when I **heard** (A) a loud crash. The windows **looked** (L) fine, but something **felt** (L) strange. I **grabbed** (A) a flashlight and **ran** (A) outside. The yard **was** (L) quiet. My neighbor's dog **barked** (A) from across the fence. The sky **seemed** (L) darker than usual, and the wind **whistled** (A) through the trees. Everything **appeared** (L) still, but I **was** (L) nervous. Suddenly, I **saw** (A) a raccoon near the trash cans. It **looked** (L) proud of its mess and **scampered** (A) away quickly.

Total Verbs: 15

- **Action Verbs (A): 7**
- **Linking Verbs (L): 8**