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Campfire Reflections

Directions: Read the short story below carefully. Then answer the four multiple-choice questions that follow. Choose the best answer for each.

Eli zipped up his tent and looked out at the quiet forest. His friends were still hiking the long trail, but he had stayed behind to rest. For a while, he enjoyed the calm sounds of the wind and the chirping crickets. As the shadows grew longer and the woods darkened, he began to wish someone else were nearby. He poked the campfire, listening to it crackle, and suddenly missed the noise of his friends' laughter.

1. How does Eli feel at the beginning of the story?
 - A. Nervous and upset
 - B. Relaxed and peaceful
 - C. Angry and frustrated
 - D. Bored and tired
2. What causes Eli's feelings to change?
 - A. He finishes his hike early
 - B. The forest becomes noisy and crowded
 - C. His friends tell him to leave camp
 - D. It gets darker and quieter around him
3. Which word best describes Eli's mood near the end of the story?
 - A. Lonely
 - B. Alone
 - C. Excited
 - D. Curious
4. Which clue from the passage best supports your answer to Question 3?
 - A. "He enjoyed the calm sounds of the wind."
 - B. "He poked the campfire, listening to it crackle."
 - C. "He began to wish someone else were nearby."
 - D. "He stayed behind to rest."