Picture The Solitude Answer Key

Sample Responses:

- Scene 1: A child reading under a tree with a smile. Sentence: Sam is alone and enjoying his quiet time.
- Scene 2: A student sitting by themselves at lunch, looking sad. Sentence:

 Maria feels lonely because no one is talking to her.

Teacher's Guide:

- Skill Focus: Reinforces the difference between being alone (a neutral or positive state) and feeling lonely (a sad emotion).
- **Differentiation Tips:** Provide sentence starters such as "I feel happy when I am..." or "I feel sad when I am..." for emerging writers.
- Engagement Ideas: Invite students to share and explain their drawings to classmates, emphasizing empathy and emotional vocabulary.
- Extension Activities: Have students write a short paragraph comparing the two characters, describing what could change the *lonely* scene into a happier *alone* moment.

