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Helping Hearts Answer Key

1. D
2. C
3. A
4. C
5. B

Teacher's Guide

- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Read the passage aloud for students with reading challenges.
 - Highlight feeling words (sad, happy, proud) to support emotion vocabulary.
 - Provide sentence stems for discussion, such as "Ethan showed kindness when..."
- **Engagement Strategies:**
 - Act out the story to model empathy in action.
 - Use real soccer or recess scenarios to connect with students' daily life.
 - Invite students to share times when they helped a friend feel better.
- **Extension Ideas:**
 - Have students write their own short story about helping a friend.
 - Create a class "Empathy Wall" where students can post kind actions they notice.
 - Encourage students to identify how both people's feelings changed in the story.