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Supporting a Character's Insights

Passage

Nina stared at the invitation in her hand. The golden letters sparkled under the kitchen light, but her face remained expressionless. Her little brother ran in, excited to see if she had been invited. "Well? Are you going to the party?" he asked. Nina forced a smile. "Maybe," she said softly, folding the card and placing it in the drawer.



Questions:

1. How do Nina's actions show how she feels about the invitation?
2. What can we infer about Nina's emotions in this moment?
3. Find one sentence that shows Nina may not be as excited as her brother is.
4. What does her response "Maybe" tell us about what she's really thinking?
5. Why do you think she puts the invitation in the drawer? Use evidence to support your answer.