Name

Emotion Detective Answer Key

Sample Paragraphs

(These are just example responses. Students should aim to match the emotional tone using descriptive detail.)

Case 1 Sample

Jaden slowed his walk as he reached his locker. His eyes flicked up and down the hallway, hoping for a hidden camera or someone jumping out. Nothing. He opened the empty locker with a soft sigh and stared into the cold metal. As his best friend passed by chatting with someone else, Jaden's smile wobbled for a second before he forced it back in place.

Case 2 Sample

Maya's hands trembled as she gripped the microphone. The lights blinded her, and she blinked fast, trying to focus. Her stomach flipped, and she could feel sweat building under her sleeves. She took a deep breath, then another, as her voice echoed in her head before even speaking. Her feet felt like they were glued to the stage.

Case 3 Sample

Elijah blinked, unsure if he heard right. His cheeks warmed, and he tucked his notebook closer to his chest. A grin crept up his face as the class clapped, and he lowered his head slightly, trying to hide it. The knot of nerves in his chest began to untangle, replaced with a glow that spread from his chest to his fingertips.

Case 4 Sample

Lena sat frozen on the couch, her eyes locked on the dark hallway. The wind whipped against the windows like fists, and every creak in the house made her jump. Her blanket was pulled tightly to her chin, her fingers clenching the fabric. She glanced at her phone again, the silence louder than the thunder outside. Every minute felt like an hour.

