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## The Empty Chair

**Directions:** Read the passage. Then answer the following questions by explaining **what detail is implied but not written**.

### The Empty Desk

The classroom buzzed with chatter as students settled into their seats. Ms. Lopez placed a stack of quizzes on her desk. She glanced at the row near the window and frowned at the empty chair. After a moment, she sighed and began handing out the papers.

1. Why did Ms. Lopez frown at the empty chair?

2. What might be the reason the chair was empty?

3. How might the absent student feel about missing the quiz?

4. What could Ms. Lopez be thinking when she sighed?

5. If you were a classmate noticing the empty desk, what might you assume?