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Mood, Actions, Setting

Directions: Read the story carefully. Think about how the **setting** (where the story takes place) affects the characters' feelings and choices. Answer the questions below using complete sentences.

The Cave Adventure

Lena, Marcus, and Asha stepped into the dark cave, their flashlights slicing through the shadows. The air was damp and cold, and water dripped steadily from the ceiling. The narrow passage forced them to walk in single file, their footsteps echoing loudly. Suddenly, Marcus slipped on the wet ground, and everyone froze, realizing how dangerous the cave could be. But as they moved deeper, their fear mixed with excitement when they spotted glittering crystals on the walls. The mysterious setting made them nervous, yet it also pushed them to keep exploring, curious about what they might discover next.

1. How does the cave setting create the **mood** of the story?

2. Give one example of how the setting affects the **actions** of the characters.

3. If the story had taken place in a sunny meadow instead, how might the **mood and actions** have been different?