

Grateful Helper Answer Key

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

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Supports understanding of emotional intensity through reading comprehension and emotional reflection. Students identify gratitude as a big, positive feeling linked to help and teamwork.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Read the passage aloud for auditory learners or students with reading challenges.
 - Allow students to use emotion picture cards to choose Maya's feeling instead of answering in writing.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - After reading, ask students to act out the story to explore tone and emotion.
 - Discuss what other feelings Maya might have had before and after the event.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Have students write a short reflection about a time someone helped them and how it made them feel.
 - Encourage students to rate their own gratitude moments on a "small, medium, big" scale and share examples.