Name _____

Hints And Glances Answer Key

1. **What is Lila feeling?**
    - She is likely anxious, nervous, or worried.
2. **What clues suggest this?**
    - She pushes food around instead of eating, avoids eye contact, reacts strongly to the mention of the play, and retreats quickly to her room.
3. **How do her parents' reactions add to your understanding?**
    - Their worried glance shows they recognize something is wrong, reinforcing that Lila is troubled even though she hasn't said it directly.
4. **Mood word:**
    - Words like *tense*, *anxious*, or *uneasy* fit because the atmosphere is heavy with unspoken concern.

Teacher Note:

Guide students to see that **inferential comprehension** means noticing small actions, gestures, and reactions that reveal deeper feelings or ideas. Here, the unstated meaning is Lila's fear of performing in the school play. Encourage students to highlight the **clues** that support their inferences.

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