

## Echoing Valley Answer Key

### 1. What if Lina had been too afraid to climb the tower?

- *Sample Answer:* The bell would have stayed silent, and the villagers might have continued worrying or hired someone else to check.
- *Teacher Note:* Look for recognition that her bravery was central to solving the problem.

### 2. What if the bell had stayed silent even after Lina fixed the gears?

- *Sample Answer:* The villagers might have searched for another cause, repaired the tower further, or replaced the bell.
- *Teacher Note:* Accept logical continuations tied to problem-solving.

### 3. What if Lina discovered a hidden door at the top of the tower?

- *Sample Answer:* She might have found a secret room, treasure, or even clues about the tower's history.
- *Teacher Note:* Encourage imaginative yet text-related responses.

### 4. What if the bird's nest held a surprise inside?

- *Sample Answer:* Finding a note or key could lead Lina to a bigger mystery, turning the story into an adventure beyond fixing the bell.
- *Teacher Note:* Students should expand creatively while grounding their ideas in the setting.

### 5. What if you were a villager—what would you say to Lina after she fixed the bell?

- *Sample Answer:* I would thank her for her courage and tell her that she saved the whole village from worry.
- *Teacher Note:* Responses should highlight gratitude and acknowledgment of Lina's actions.