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## Slash And Read

**Directions:** Read the paragraph below carefully. Use a **slash mark ( / )** to divide the paragraph into natural **phrases** that help the text flow smoothly. Practice reading aloud, pausing slightly at each slash to create rhythm and expression. Re-read the paragraph two or three times, aiming to sound smooth, natural, and expressive. After reading, answer the comprehension questions.

Samantha walked quickly to the library because she wanted to return her books before it closed. The evening sky was turning purple, and the streetlights flickered on one by one. She carried a heavy bag on her shoulder, filled with stories she had loved reading. At the library steps, she smiled, ready to find new adventures waiting inside.

### Follow-Up Questions

1. Why was Samantha walking quickly to the library?

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2. What color was the evening sky?

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3. What was in her heavy bag?

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