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## Stretch The Moment The Answer Key

Teachers should look for:

- A clear expansion of the event into multiple sentences.
- Added details about what happened before the spill, what happened during it, and what happened after.
- Inclusion of at least one feeling or thought.
- Logical sequencing of events.
- Complete sentences appropriate for Grades 2 to 4 writing expectations.

### Teacher's Guide

- Remind students that expanding a moment means slowing it down and adding **details**, **feelings**, and **actions**.
- Model how to brainstorm by asking three questions: What was happening before? What exactly happened? What happened after?
- Differentiate by offering sentence starters for students who need support or challenge stronger writers to add vivid sensory detail.
- Increase engagement by letting students share their mini narratives in pairs and guess what the original one sentence event was.
- Extend by having students create their own one sentence event and exchange with a partner to expand.