

New Ending Forecast Answer Key

1. Sample Prediction

When the shop reopens, Evan will hurry back to buy the airplane. There might be one more challenge, like another customer wanting it, but Evan will probably find a way to succeed.

2. Sample Rewritten Ending

The next morning, Evan bounced out of bed and ran to Mr. Lee's shop before it even opened. He pressed his face against the glass again, holding his breath. The red airplane was still there. When Mr. Lee flipped the sign to "Open," Evan rushed inside, placed his money on the counter, and grinned as Mr. Lee carefully handed him the box. Evan clutched it like treasure as he walked home, already imagining the airplane soaring through the sky.

3. Sample Reflection

My ending was close because Evan still got the airplane in both versions. However, the original story surprised me by adding a twist—Mr. Lee had set one aside for him.

Original Continuation (for comparison)

When Evan returned the next day, the red airplane was gone. His heart sank—he was too late. Mr. Lee noticed his disappointment and said, "Don't worry, Evan. I saved one just for you." From under the counter, Mr. Lee pulled out another identical red airplane. Evan gasped in relief, handed over his money, and left the shop smiling bigger than ever before.

Teacher Notes

- **Flexibility:** Students' rewritten endings will vary; encourage creativity as long as their endings link back to their original predictions.
- **Focus:** The goal is not to "guess right" but to practice using story clues and building logical endings.
- **Extension:** Students can share their alternate endings in pairs or groups and vote on which ones felt most believable or surprising.