Story Starter Forecast Answer Key

Note: Predictions are open-ended. The purpose is not to be right but to **practice reasoning with text clues**. Sample answers below show reasonable forecasts.

Passage A - Sample Prediction:

Mia and Jordan might be going on an adventure or a treasure hunt, guided by the map. They may spend the summer exploring new places.

- Key evidence: "map," "backpack full of supplies," "first day of summer vacation."

Passage B - Sample Prediction:

Sam and his sister may need to find shelter from the storm. The story might involve a power outage, flooding, or a tense moment with lightning.

- Key evidence: "thunder cracked," "dark clouds," "pulled his little sister closer."

Passage C - Sample Prediction:

The experiment could involve a surprising chemical reaction, maybe fizzing or an explosion. The text may describe the students' reactions as they watch.

- Key evidence: "science lab," "beaker," "today's experiment might surprise you."

Teacher Notes:

- Stress that **predictions should be text-based**; students must point to specific clues in the opening sentences.
- This builds habits of **active reading** and **anticipation** that strengthen comprehension.

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