

## Workshop Secrets Answer Key

1. **Sample Summary:** Marisol explores her father's workshop and unlocks a forbidden drawer. She discovers unfinished inventions, including a clock that runs backward. When she touches it, strange things happen, but she quickly puts it away. Her father seems to know she found the secret, and Marisol realizes there are deeper mysteries in the workshop.
2. **Why leave out details?** Summaries focus on the most important ideas so they are clear and concise. Small details (like rainy weather or tape under the bench) are not essential to the main story.
3. **Most Important Part:** Students may identify the discovery of the backward clock as the most important because it drives the story's suspense and reveals the central mystery.

### Teacher Notes:

- Emphasize the difference between **retelling** (too much detail) and **summarizing** (main ideas only).
- Remind students to keep summaries short but complete: who, what, where, and how it ends.
- Accept summaries in students' own words, as long as they capture the essential events.