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Library Helpers Answer Key

Characters: Eli, the librarian

Setting: the town library after school

Problem: Eli could not find his backpack

Events: He returned his book, sat to read, got ready to leave, and searched for his missing backpack

Solution: Eli found his backpack under a chair and felt relieved

Teacher's Guide

- Use this activity to introduce or reinforce the **Five-Finger Summary** method for early summarizing.
- Read the passage aloud once before students complete the chart independently.
- For differentiation, allow younger students to answer with single words or short phrases.
- For engagement, have students act out each finger part using hand motions while discussing the summary.
- For extension, students can redraw the story using one picture for each of the five parts.
- Pair students to orally retell the story using their completed summary before writing.