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A picture by the window

Name: _____ Date: _____

Sami drew a tree by the window. A small branch hid a bird. The bird had vanished! Then he heard a chirp. He waited in his seat. The branch moved and the bird appeared. Sami added a branch to his picture and wrote: chirp, chirp.

Talk and draw

What is the difference between not seeing the bird and seeing it fly away? Draw something that could hide behind a leaf in a picture.

Descriptive lengths, not standardized reading levels.

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Sami sat with Mum beside a closed window and drew the tree outside. He drew the trunk and some leaves. Then he spotted a bird on a branch. He reached for his brown pencil. When he looked up, he could no longer see the bird. It had flown away, he said. Mum asked whether he had seen it fly or simply could not see it now. Sami thought about that. He had not seen it fly. A chirp came from nearby. He waited in his seat without opening or moving closer to the window. A thin branch moved in the breeze. The bird appeared behind the leaves. It had been hidden. Sami wrote under his picture: I could not see it. Then I heard it. Then I saw it. His page held clues from his eyes and ears, and an idea he had changed.

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