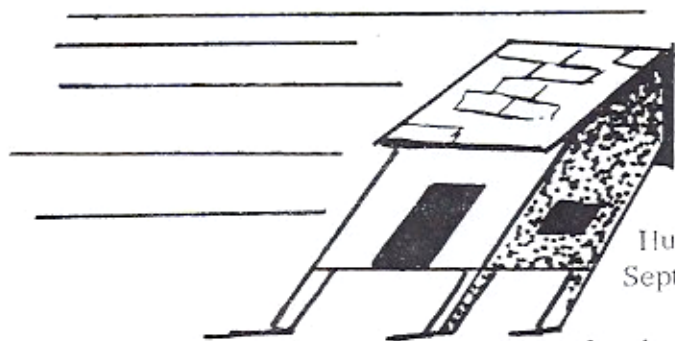


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COMPREHENSION CHALLENGES



"Hurricane warning," the voice on TV announced. "Prepare for winds up to 85 miles per hour."

Jim and his family knew exactly what to do. They had lived in Florida for many years. Hurricanes were common, especially in August and September.

Jim went outside and brought in the lawn furniture. He tied down the big garbage can. Almost anything could become a dangerous missile in high winds. Jim's dad put the storm shutters on the windows. Jim's mother filled the bathtub with water. She also brought out the candles and prepared extra food. With preparation, they would not have to worry if the electric services were interrupted. They would have light, food, and drinking water. Jim's father also checked the batteries in the flashlight. He located the transistor radio. With the preparations done, the family was ready to listen for each new weather advisory. They were as prepared as they could be for the approaching hurricane.

- This story is about:
 - Florida
 - Jim
 - preparing for a hurricane
 - a bathtub with water
- Jim:
 - filled the bathtub
 - checked the flashlight
 - located the radio
 - tied down the garbage can
- Jim's family had lived in Florida for:
 - two years
 - many years
 - a little while
 - the months of August and September
- Jim and his family:
 - were afraid
 - were excited
 - knew what to do
 - didn't know what to do about the hurricane
- What happened first in the story?
 - filled the bathtub
 - brought in furniture
 - prepared food
 - "Hurricane warning"
- In this story, the word services refers to:
 - church
 - a tea set
 - the army
 - supplies
- From this story we can see that in a hurricane:
 - things move around
 - there is always drinking water
 - electricity continues
 - there is nothing to do
- Storm shutters were probably put on the windows to:
 - keep them from breaking
 - keep the house cool
 - help the electricity
 - prevent the wind from blowing down the house