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The Mystery of the Missing Cookies: Comprehension

Fiction story · about 145 words

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"It's not a person," Maya said. "People don't have tiny muddy feet." That night, Maya hid behind the couch with a flashlight. Around midnight, she heard a scratching sound. A furry face with a black mask peeked through the window. It was a raccoon!

The next morning, Grandma shut the window and put a lid on the jar. The cookie thief never returned, but Maya kept her detective notebook just in case.

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   C. a raccoon finds a new home D. a grandma opens a bakery

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4. **Inference:** Why did Maya decide it was not a person?
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