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Fiction story · about 260 words

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The morning of the contest, Grace set her pie on the long judging table, right beside Mrs. Abernathy's famous cherry pie. Mrs. Abernathy looked at Grace's pie and raised an eyebrow. "Peach," she said. "Bold choice."

While the judges were tasting other entries, Grace noticed something terrible. A wasp had landed on Mrs. Abernathy's pie and was crawling under the lattice crust. If the judges bit into it, they might be stung, and Mrs. Abernathy's pie would be disqualified.

For a moment, Grace thought about saying nothing. Then she stepped forward and gently waved the wasp away with a napkin until it flew off. Mrs. Abernathy watched her.

When the results were announced, Mrs. Abernathy won the blue ribbon again. Grace won second place. Her face fell a little, but she clapped anyway.

Afterward, Mrs. Abernathy found her. "You could have let that wasp ruin my chances," she said. "That tells me more about you than any pie could." Then she leaned in. "Next Saturday, come to my kitchen. I'll teach you my lattice. Your peaches deserve it."

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2. **Detail:** What pie did Grace bake?

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3. **Sequence:** What happened to Grace's first crust?

   A. It was perfect. B. It was tough as cardboard. C. It burned. D. It fell on the floor.

4. **Detail:** What landed on Mrs. Abernathy's pie?

   A. a fly B. a wasp C. a moth D. a bee

5. **Character:** What does Grace's choice about the wasp show about her?

   A. She is fair and kind. B. She wants attention. C. She is afraid of bugs. D. She is sneaky.

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ANSWER KEY

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