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## Grade 6 Reading Comprehension Worksheet

### A Missing Cat

**Read the passage. Then answer the questions.**

The owner of a missing cat is asking for help. "My baby has been missing for over a month now, and I want him back so badly," said Mrs. Brown, a fifty-six-year-old woman. Mrs. Brown lives by herself in a trailer park near Clovis. She said that Clyde, her seven-year-old cat, didn't come home for dinner more than a month ago, so she called the police. When the policeman asked her to describe Clyde, she told him that Clyde had beautiful green eyes, had all his teeth but was missing half of his left ear, and was and completely white. She then told the officer that Clyde was about a foot high.

A bell went off. "Is Clyde your child or your pet?" the officer suspiciously asked, "Well, he's my cat," Mrs. Brown replied. "Lady, you're supposed to report missing PERSONS, not missing CATS," said the irritated policeman. "Well, who can I report this to?" She asked. "You can't. You have to ask around your neighborhood or put up flyers," replied the officer.

Mrs. Brown figured that a billboard would work a lot than an 8"x11" piece of paper on a telephone pole. There was an empty billboard at the end of her street just off the interstate highway. The billboard had a phone number on it. She called that number, and they told her they could blow up a picture of Clyde from Mrs. Brown's picture album and put it on the billboard for all to see.

"But how can people see it when they whiz by on the interstate?" She asked. "Oh, don't worry, ma'am, they only whiz by between 2 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. The rest of the day, the interstate is so full of commuters that no one moves." They told her if it would cost only \$3,000, a month.

The month has passed, but Clyde has not appeared. Because she has almost no money in savings, Mrs. Brown called the local newspaper to see if anyone could help her rent the billboard for just one more month. She is waiting but, so far, no one has stepped forward.

#### **Answer the Questions.**

1. What is the theme of the story?
2. Give the description of Clyde?
3. Did Mrs. Brown use flyer or the billboard?
4. How much did it cost?
5. Did she find Clyde? If not why?