Understand Who is Telling the Story

Read the story. Then, answer the questions. Use the Answer Key on the next page to help.

Kat bounced up and down on her toes, very excited, as always. And as always, she spoke in a great, loud rush. “I can’t believe this happened, Jamal! I bet that soccer ball is going to be stuck on the roof for ever and ever, and we’ll never get it down!”

Jamal looked at the soccer ball sitting on the flatter part of the roof. Jamal always thought before he spoke, and when he did speak, he used a calm, quiet voice. “I think we just have to wait,” he said.

Kat groaned loudly. “It’ll never come down. There’s no way to get to it, either!”

Jamal looked at the ball again, and nodded calmly. “The wind will push it off the roof.”

That night, there was a rainstorm with heavy winds. The next morning, there was the ball, sitting in Kat’s yard!
Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

1. If you were reading the story out loud, you would give Jamal a _____ voice.

2. If you were reading the story out loud, you would give Kat a ________ voice.

3. _______ is likely to speak quickly.

4. _______ is likely to speak slowly.

5. Kat believes that the ball is stuck ________.

6. Jamal and Kat have _________ ideas about what will happen to the ball.

7. Jamal thinks that they can get the ball if they are ________.

8. Jamal’s voice is _________ than Kat’s voice.

9. When Kat talks, she likes to ________.

10. Jamal likes to _________ before he speaks.

11. Jamal is _________ that the ball will come down.

12. Kat is _____________ that they will get their ball back.

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