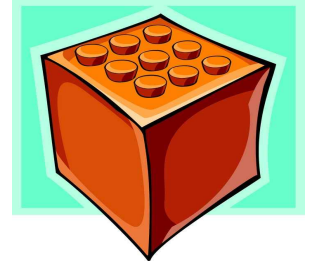


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# Let Go of My Lego!

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One Saturday afternoon, Mark and his friend Lance sat playing with Lego blocks on the carpet in Mark's room.



"I bet you don't know what 'Lego' means!" Lance said, snatching a red block right from out of Mark's hand. He stood and held the Lego block tight and put his hand behind his back.

"Lance!" Mark cried out as he jumped up, grabbing at his friend's hand.

"If you can tell me what 'Lego' means, I will give it back." Lance teased with a grin, twisting to keep the block away from his friend.

Mark tried to wrestle the Lego away, but it was no use. "I don't know." he said, plopping down with a big sigh.

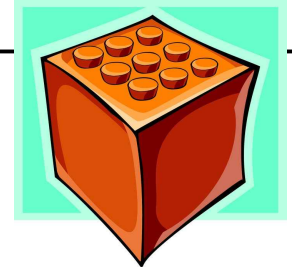
Lance gave a knowing smile as he held out the block. "See the way the dots are raised here, and they fit with the holes in another block? Lego means '*fit together*' in a language called Latin."

Mark's mother had been watching from the doorway. "It also means '*play well*' in Danish." she said as she came into the room. Frowning, she took the red Lego from Lance's hand and gave it back to Mark. This time, it was Mark's turn to smile.

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1. Why is Mark upset in this story?

- a. because his mother said he can't play with his Lego blocks
- b. because Lance ruined his Lego creation
- c. because Lance took a Lego block and won't give it back
- d. because he doesn't know what the word 'lego' means

2. What does the Latin word 'lego' mean?

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3. What does the Danish word 'lego' mean?

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4. Why did Mark smile at the end of this story?

- a. Lance gave him his Lego back.
- b. Mom gave him his Lego back.
- c. Lance taught him a new fact.
- d. Mom started playing with the Legos.

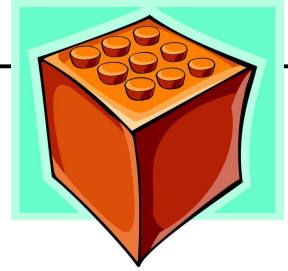
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## ANSWER KEY

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2. What does the Latin word 'lego' mean?

**It means "snap together."**

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**It means "Play well."**

4. Why did Mark smile at the end of this story? **b**

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- c. Lance taught him a new fact.
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5. What is the setting of this story?

**The story takes place on a Saturday afternoon, in Mark's bedroom.**  
**(Note: Student should tell where and when the story takes place.)**