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Quick Questions



1. What does the knight eat for breakfast?



2. Why do you think the knight feels worried as he falls asleep?



3. What do you think will happen to the knight tomorrow?



4. Can you order the knight's day by putting numbers 1-4 in the boxes?

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Answers



1. What does the knight eat for breakfast?
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2. Why do you think the knight feels worried as he falls asleep?
Accept any inferential answer based on the text, e.g. because he thinks the castle could be attacked at any moment.



3. What do you think will happen to the knight tomorrow?
Accept any sensible prediction, e.g. I think the castle will be attacked and he will have to defend it.



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