

Molly's New Team



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BOSTON

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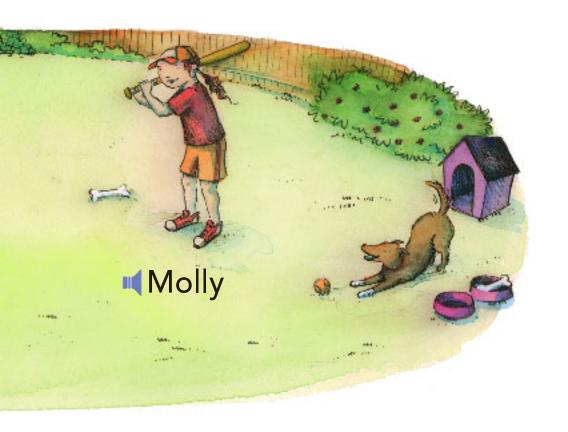


Molly loved to play ball.

She loved to catch

and throw and hit

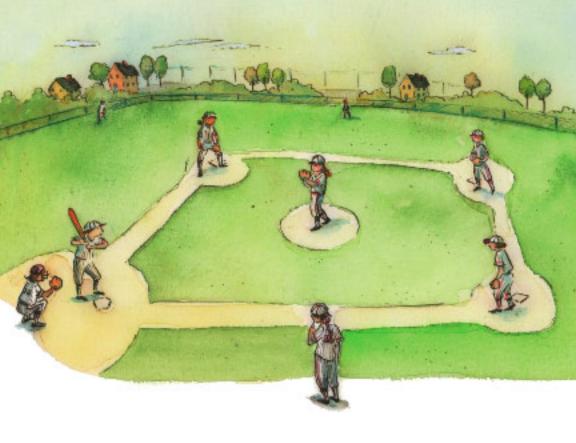
and run and slide.



- Molly played ball with her friends.
- She knew everyone on the field.
 And she liked that.



- But Molly wanted to play more.
- She wantedto learn more.So she joined a team.

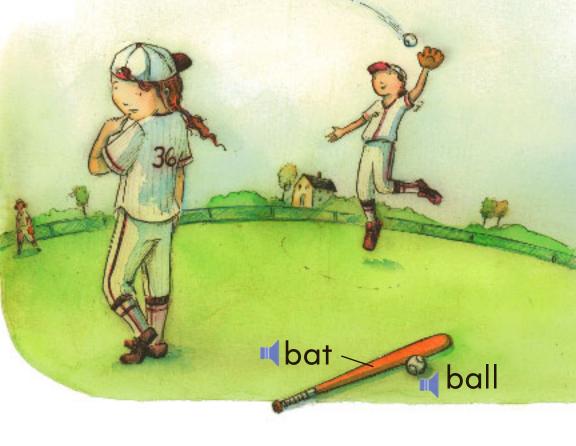


- Molly was scared on her first day.
- She did not know anyone on the team.

And no one knew her.



- Molly took a deep breath and walked onto the field.
- No one seemed to notice.



- Molly was sad.
 She thought about going home.
- Then she saw a bat and ball.



- Molly knew just what to do.
- She picked up the bat.

 Then she threw the ball high in the air...



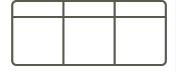
- ... and she hit it!
 "Wow!" yelled a girl
 with dark brown hair.
- "Did everybody see that?
 This girl can hit!"



Molly smiled and said, "My name is Molly." "I'm Lucy," said the girl. "And I'm glad you're here, Molly!"

Responding

Characters What is Molly like?
What does she say? What does she do? How does she feel?
Make a chart.



Talk About It

Text to Self Think of a time when you tried something new. How did you feel? What did you do?

WORDS TO KNOW

buy party

city please

family school

myself seven

- Characters Tell more about characters.
- Stop to tell important events as you read.
- **GENRE Realistic fiction** is a story that could happen in real life.

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Genre:

Realistic Fiction

Strategy: Summarize

Skill:

Understanding Characters

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