

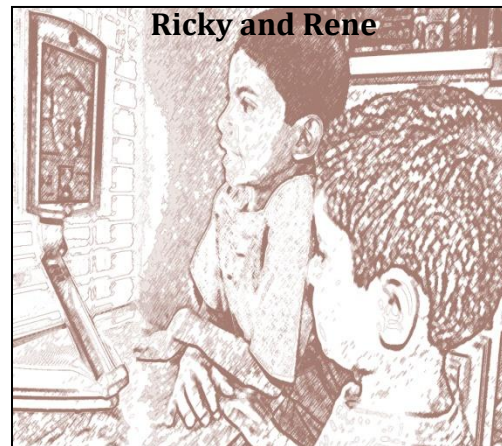
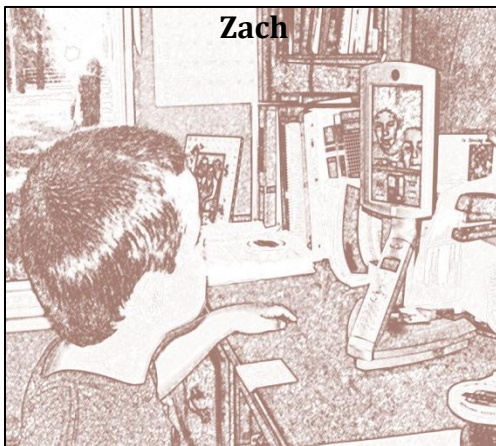
A Picture for Friends

Significant
Characters

Zach made new friends during a summer visit with his grandmother in San Antonio, Texas. During the visit, Zach, Ricky, and Rene enjoyed a day at Schlitterbahn Waterpark located near San Antonio in New Braunfels, Texas. Zach, who is now back home in Oklahoma, wanted to speak with Ricky and Rene by videophone. Videophones allow people to have phone conversations while seeing each other by video camera. Zach mailed a picture to Ricky and Rene that his grandmother took at the waterpark. He wanted to see if his new friends had

Occasion

received the picture. Here is the videophone conversation Zach had with Ricky and Rene.



- 1 **Zach:** Hi, Ricky! Hi, Rene! What's up?
- 2 **Ricky:** Hi, Zach. It's good to *see* you again.
- 3 **Rene:** Hi, Zach. It is good to talk to you again.
- 4 **Zach:** I really miss hanging out with you guys. Visiting my grandmother is always great. Thanks to you guys, my visit

Selection Sample
with Comprehension Strategies

1 Which of these is the best summary of this videophone conversation?

- ☐ Zach calls his friends in San Antonio to ask if they got the picture he mailed. While discussing their summer visit, he finds out that they got the picture yesterday.
- ☐ Zach calls his friends to talk about their trip to Schlitterbahn Waterpark. They had fun and want to go back next summer. Zach likes visiting with his grandmother.
- ☐ Zach calls on the videophone to talk to his friends in San Antonio. They talk about Zach's visit with his grandmother.
- ☐ Zach calls Ricky and Rene on the videophone to talk about their visit to Schlitterbahn. They make plans to go again next summer.

2 One thing the boys have in common is they all –

- ☐ like to take pictures
- ☐ live in Texas
- ☐ visit with their grandmother
- ☐ went to Schlitterbahn Waterpark

Sample Questions