

# Answer Key

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## Active Reading SkillBuilder, page 12

Responses will vary. Possible responses are provided.

**Details from Text:** Mrs. Jong tells Waverly about a girl who ran out into traffic and was “smash flat.”

**My Experiences:** My parents tell me stories about terrible things that have happened to people to try to teach me to avoid dangerous situations.

**Conclusion:** Mrs. Jong is concerned about her daughter’s safety and is trying to scare her into making wise decisions.

**Details from Text:** Waverly teases the tourist who takes her picture.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Waverly is bold and daring.

**Details from Text:** Waverly chooses a small, heavy package after noticing that the bigger presents are not the nicest.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** She is quick and observant.

**Details from Text:** Waverly’s mother is polite at the Christmas party and then later tells Vincent to throw the chess set away.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Mrs. Jong is grateful for the thought but has too much pride and dignity to be happy about accepting charity.

**Details from Text:** Waverly masters the intricacies of chess.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** She is clever and determined.

**Details from Text:** Mrs. Jong proudly watches her daughter play chess but tells people it is luck that allows her to win.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Mrs. Jong does not want to jeopardize her daughter’s success by boasting of it. She wants Waverly to remain humble.

**Details from Text:** Waverly tells her mother she doesn’t want to play in the tournament because if she loses by American rules, she will bring shame on her family.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Waverly is smart. She understands her mother’s thinking.

**Details from Text:** Waverly’s mother says, “Is shame you fall down nobody push you.”

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Mrs. Jong wants her daughter to be willing to take on a challenge.

**Details from Text:** Mrs. Jong’s lack of understanding about the game of chess annoys Waverly.

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Waverly is beginning to be aware of the wider world and wants to assert her independence.

**Details from Text:** Waverly’s mother says, “We not concerning this girl.”

**My Experiences:** Students’ responses will vary.

**Conclusion:** Waverly’s mother is hurt by Waverly’s apparent rejection. She is not ready to accept Waverly’s independence.