1. **Writing a Summary**

 **Exercise: Write a summary of this story in English, including the most important points, using your own words whenever possible (maximum 35 words).**

**A Moving Story** :

**Addie had lived in Happyville since she was born. Next week, however, Addie and her family were moving over 1,000 miles away to Washington. Addie despised the idea of moving for many reasons. She was sad to be leaving her best friend. She had played on the soccer team for two years and didn’t want to leave her team. She would not be sleeping in her bedroom, which she loved and had decorated all by herself. She just hated the whole thing. Addie’s dad had gotten a new job and said it would be good for the entire family. Her mother told Addie that there would be a lot of new things to do and people to meet. Her brother was too young to understand. How could this be good when she would not know anyone and have to go to a brand new school? The whole situation was worse because they were moving on Addie’s birthday! She was going to turn 11 and wanted to spend the day with her friends. Instead, she was going to spend her birthday packing and watching the contents of the house being put on a truck. What about her party? What about spending the day with her friends? What about what she wanted? One morning Addie woke up and decided to try a new approach. She would make a plan about how this could actually be a good thing. The first thing she did was to take pictures of everything that was familiar to her. Her mom rescheduled her birthday party so she could celebrate early with her friends. It was a special party and Addie had a blast with her friends. She also got a lot of pictures of herself with her friends. Addie also took pictures of her house, her bedroom, and her school. Then she made a list of things she could try when she got to the new town. She would join the soccer team and introduce herself to the kids at school to make friends with them. She knew that if she had the right attitude, things would turn out fine** .