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Character Interactions

Read the passage carefully. Answer the questions.

Brothers at the Plate

Ethan and Noah were brothers who loved playing baseball together. Ethan was older and liked to pitch. Noah was younger and liked to bat. After school, they practiced in the backyard almost every day.

One afternoon, Noah kept missing the ball. He slammed his bat on the ground and said he didn't want to practice anymore. Ethan remembered how hard batting had been when he first learned. Instead of teasing his brother, Ethan showed Noah how to stand and where to watch the ball.

The next day, Noah practiced the new stance. He still missed sometimes, but he didn't give up. By the end of the week, he was hitting the ball much better.

At their weekend game, the coach needed someone to bat last. Noah stepped up to the plate. He took a deep breath and remembered Ethan's advice. Noah hit the ball into the outfield, helping his team score.

After the game, Noah thanked Ethan. Ethan smiled, proud that helping his brother had made a difference.

1. How did Ethan's decision to help Noah affect what happened later?

- A. Noah stopped playing baseball
- B. Noah became angry
- C. Noah improved and helped his team
- D. Ethan had to bat instead

2. What happened because Noah practiced the new stance all week?

- A. He missed every pitch
- B. He quit the team
- C. He hit the ball better at the game
- D. He switched positions

3. Which event led Noah to feel confident at the weekend game?

- A. Slamming his bat
- B. Watching the crowd
- C. Remembering Ethan's advice
- D. Leaving practice early