



Show Don't Tell

DIRECTIONS: Match each "telling" sentence with a sentence that shows the same thing.

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| _____ | 1. | The baby doesn't like mashed potatoes. | A | George walked out to the garage where his father's sports car used to be. He poked around at his father's work bench. He picked up a hammer, felt its heft, set it back down, and sighed. |
| _____ | 2. | George misses his father. | B | Vera slipped the spoonful of mashed potatoes into the baby's mouth. His eyes got wide. He made a face, spit them back out again, and screamed his displeasure. |
| _____ | 3. | The neighbors are having a loud party. | C | Sarah got up and shut the window, but she could still hear the music. The bass was so loud that her sofa shimmied on every downbeat. She looked at her watch. It was five minutes until nine. Five minutes till they would be in violation of the noise ordinance. Five minutes until she could call the cops. |