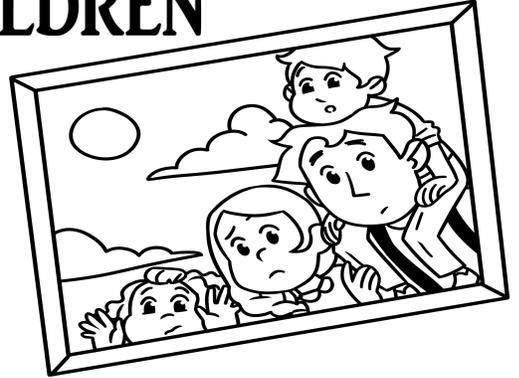


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## ANSWER KEY

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The children left the bakery in the night because they heard the woman talking about letting the older children stay but sending Benny to a Children's Home. They needed to be far away by morning so they left in the middle of the night ensuring Benny would not get sent away.

2. List one reason why the children are not staying with their grandfather.

**Answers can include:**

- he didn't like their mother so he wouldn't like them
- afraid he would be mean to them
- he never came to visit
- they don't like him

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Answers will vary.