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Ten Important Sentences

A *summary* is a shortened form of a story. It has all of the important information that someone would need to know if he or she wanted to retell the story to someone else.

The ten sentences below tell the story of *Corduroy*, but they are listed in a mixed-up order. Cut out the sentences and arrange them in the correct order on another piece of paper. When you are finished, read your summary of the story to a friend.

Corduroy pulls on a mattress button and it pops off!

Lisa sees Corduroy and asks her mother if she can buy him.

Lisa hugs her new friend.

Lisa buys Corduroy and takes him home.

Corduroy climbs down at night to search for his lost button.

Corduroy lives in a department store.

Corduroy steps on an escalator and thinks he is on a mountain.

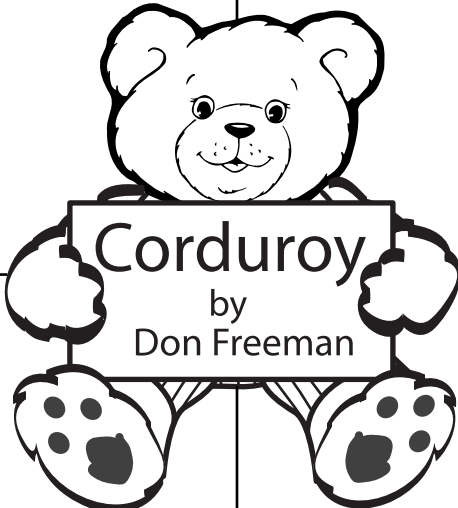
Lisa's mother says that Corduroy has lost a button.

Lisa sews a new button on Corduroy's overalls.

The night watchman finds Corduroy.

Organize the Story

Fill in the characters, setting, problem, and solution to help you organize the story of *Corduroy*. Then draw a picture in each of the squares to go along with your writing.

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| <p>Characters: _____ _____ _____</p> | <p>Setting: _____ _____ _____</p> |
|  | |
| <p>Problem: _____ _____ _____</p> | <p>Solution: _____ _____ _____</p> |