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Realism and Fantasy

- A **realistic story** tells about something that could happen.
- A **fantasy** is a story about something that could not happen.

Directions Read the following passage. Then answer the questions below.

Mr. Post explained to the class that he spent the summer working on a volunteer project. He asked the class if they would like to organize a volunteer project to complete during the school year. All the students had suggestions to offer. Someone mentioned that the class

could start a recycling program to reduce waste. Another pointed out that students could help the elderly bring their groceries home. Another suggested raking leaves for people. Parents also were excited about the project and wanted to pitch in.

1. Is this paragraph realism or fantasy?

2. Explain your decision in Question 1.

3. What is one realistic idea proposed by the students?

4. Is it realistic for parents to want to help? Why or why not?

5. Write a new first sentence that would make this paragraph seem like a fantasy.
