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## Different Endings

### Short Answer Key

1. Some readers see the ending as happy because the tree loved the boy and felt joy in giving to him.
2. Others see it as sad because the tree gave away everything and the boy never gave anything back.
3. The story teaches that relationships should have balance, and giving without limits can lead to loss.
4. The boy takes from the tree without considering its well-being, just as humans sometimes take too much from nature without thinking about the consequences.
5. The author may have wanted readers to think for themselves and decide what the story means to them.

