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Messy Redemption

Short Answer Key

1. The children feel nervous because they know their mother will be home soon, and they fear getting in trouble for the mess.
2. The Cat doesn't face consequences or apologize—he simply erases the problem, making it seem like the chaos never happened.
3. The Fish serves as the voice of reason, constantly warning the children about the dangers of allowing the Cat to continue his tricks.
4. If the mother had seen the mess, she would likely have been upset with the children for allowing the Cat to cause so much chaos.
5. Answers may vary, but students could argue that cleaning up was enough to make up for the trouble or that he should have also apologized.

