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Mom's Not Home

Short Answer Key

1. The mother's absence forces the children to decide for themselves whether to follow the rules or give in to fun.
2. The Cat brings excitement and chaos, making the children choose between going along with him or stopping his mess.
3. The Fish keeps reminding the children of their mother's rules and warns them about the consequences of their choices.
4. If the mother had been home, the Cat likely wouldn't have entered, and the children wouldn't have faced the same challenge of making decisions on their own.
5. Their worry shows that they understand the consequences of their actions and that responsibility is important.

