

Story Excerpt: "The Tell-Tale Heart" • Issue: January 5, 2009

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Reading the Signs

What will happen next? Ask yourself this question as you read the excerpt from "The Tell-Tale Heart."
Making predictions is an important part of being a good reader. You can find clues in the text and the illustrations.

Directions: Follow the prompts in each box to write your predictions for the excerpt of "The Tell-Tale Heart."

1. After reading the first two paragraphs, what do you think the main character will do to the old man?

What clues in the text lead you to this prediction?

2. After finishing the excerpt, what do you think the main character will do to the old man?

What clues in the text lead you to this prediction?

3. After finishing the excerpt, what do you think the old man will do?

What clues in the text lead you to this prediction?
