A good story ending is one that satisfies the reader and feels invitable; it gives the reader a feeling that the story couldn't have ended any other way. One kind of ending is called a prediction ending. That is when the author of the story makes a prediction about what will happen in the future, based on the events of the story. This kind of ending encourages the reader to think beyond the end of the story and into the future as well.

EXAMPLE: I knew, in that moment, watching Allie play peek-a-boo with the two-year-old girl who eventually became her adopted sister, that Allie would grow up to work with children. I envisioned her with her own day care, or school, all grown up, but still flopped on the floor to build something with blocks; or walking through the halls, taking a moment to speak to every bright, upturned face—I had no doubt that she had found her calling.

YOUR ASSIGNMENT: For each situation below, create a prediction ending.

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