

## Reciting in Class

Dan likes studying. He is always *willing to* do his homework after school. But the only thing he does not like is to *recite* in his class. When his teacher calls him, he always answers; "I don't know." One day, his teacher asked him to read the paragraph written on the board. He *reluctantly* stood up and moved as close to the board as he could. Then he *squinted* his eyes. At that moment, his teacher *realized* Dan might be *weak-sighted*.



- 1 What's the name of the boy in the story?
- 2 What does he like to do?
- 3 What is it that he does not like?
- 4 What does he say when his teacher calls him?
- 5 What did he do when his teacher asked him to read the paragraph on the board?
- 6 What did his teacher realize about Dan?

## Vocabulary List

**be willing to:**

be happy to do something / having no reason not to do something

(喜んで～する)

**recite:**

to read a poem or something out loud in front of an audience

(朗読する、声に出して読む)

**reluctantly:**

not wanting to do something

(しぶしぶ、いやいや)

**squinch:**

to look something with the other eye shut to see it better

(目を細める、寄り目にする)

**realize:**

to notice a certain fact / to understand a situation

(はっきり理解する、悟る)

**weak-sighted:**

having a poor vision / eyesight

(目が悪い)

