3. It's time for a sight test

What is happening in the picture? Have you ever done this?



Read the story and answer the questions.

Mbuso was sitting next to his friend Talent in a lesson. The teacher wrote something on the board.

"What did she write?" Talent asked. Mbuso said the words on the board, Then he asked, "Can't you read it?"

"No, I can't see things very clearly if they're far away," said Talent.

"I know, but before you could usually read the words on the board," said Mbuso. "That's why you always sit at the front."

"I think I need glasses," said Talent. "But I probably won't have to wait much longer. The eye test van is coming here soon."

A few days later a van arrived at the village. In the van, there was equipment for giving eye tests, lots of pairs of glasses and a woman who knew how to give sight tests. Every one who needed a sight test did one, and people who needed glasses received them. Talent was one of the people who got a pair of glasses. They had metal frames, and they looked very smart.

After the van left, Talent joined Mbuso and his other his friends again.

"This is better!" he said, pointing at his new glasses. "Now I can see your faces more clearly!"

Answer the questions.

- 1. Why does Talent always sit near the chalkboard?
- 2. Why does he think he needs glasses now?
- 3. Why did the van come to the village?
- 4. What did the woman from the van do?
- 5. Who were given pairs of glasses?
- 6. What type of glasses did Talent get?

Read about these organisations. For each one, answer these questions:

- Where does it work?
- Who does it help?
- What help does it give?



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Website: cbm.org



Zimbabwe Council for the Blind gives eye care and helps blind people in many different ways across Zimbabwe. Its work includes visiting schools and children who are not at school, and giving glasses and other types of eye care to children who need them.

Website: cfbzimbabwe.com



The Zimbabwe Albino Association works to help people who have albinism. It helps them with healthcare, education and earning money to live. It also works to educate all people about albinism, and to stop them from believing untrue things about it.

Website: http://www.zimalbino.co.zw/