Miscue Analysis
Berries as Sweet as Candy
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Mary loved candy. In fact, she would not eat anything								
unless she also had a piece of candy. One day her mother								
said, "Mary, I am going to the Downtown Farmer's								
Market. I want to see if they have any fresh berries.								
Do you want to come with me?" Mary readily agreed.								
She always enjoyed going with her mother on an								
adventure. Mother picked up her basket and gave								
Mary one too. "You may need to help me carry some								
berries home," Mom said. Mary went skipping down the								
street with her mother. Soon they turned the corner and								
saw rows and rows of fresh vegetables, fruits, and								
plants. Mary's eyes got as big as saucers! "Mom. Look								
at all this colorful food! It looks delicious." They started								
walking down the long rows. One friendly farmer asked								
them to sample some blueberries. Mary was								
hesitating to try it, but her mother explained, "This								
berry is as sweet as candy!" Mary tried hers and agreed								

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with her mother. "Can we buy some?" Mary asked. So								
Mary's mother bought some sweet blueberries. As they								
continued walking another farmer offered them to taste								
a sweet blackberry. As Mother bit into it, she said, "This								
berry is sweeter than candy!" Mary quickly bit into her								
blackberry and agreed. "Can we buy some?" Mary asked.								
Her mother bought some blackberries. She also bought								
some sweet raspberries. As they walked home, Mary								
commented, "Mom, I think all these berries are much								
sweeter than candy! They just melt in my mouth!"								