

PANDORA JONES AND THE BIRTHDAY BOX

Here is a boxful of words that describe feelings. They might help you to work out what Pandora Jones is feeling at each stage of this short story.

annoyed pleased thrilled surprised frustrated
scared nervous miserable relieved

Underline the evidence that tells you how she might be feeling and choose a word that describes it.

story	feelings
Checking that no one was watching her, Pandora Jones slowly turned the door handle. As her eyes opened wide, she put her hand over her mouth to stifle a squeal.	
Tomorrow was her birthday, not today. Checking again over her shoulder, as quietly as possible, she took a step toward the huge box tied with ribbon. Her heart pounded.	
She tugged and twisted the ribbon, but, no matter how hard she tried, it wouldn't undo. Using all her strength, she did her best to rip it apart. This was getting her nowhere.	
Then she remembered the scissors that were kept in a drawer. In no time, the ribbon lay in shreds on the floor. At last, she sighed deeply as she removed the lid.	
Strangely, the box seemed to be empty. Why would anybody go to all that trouble with an empty box? Then, in a corner of the box, she spotted a note from her brother. On it was scribbled one word: <i>NAUGHTY!</i>	