

Winter

English Activity Booklet



Name: _____

Think and Write: In The Bleak Midwinter

Use this picture as inspiration to carefully think and write a short paragraph about this lone candle in a winter snowstorm.



Sentence 1: Include an expanded noun phrase.

Sentence 2: Include the co-ordinating conjunction 'yet'.

Sentence 3: Include a possessive apostrophe.

Sentence 4: Include a preposition.

Sentence 5: Write a question sentence.

Wish You ~~Was~~ Were Here

Look at the sentences below these wintry postcards. Should the word 'was' or 'were' go in the gap? Write in the missing word.



There _____ lots of snow on the mountains in France.



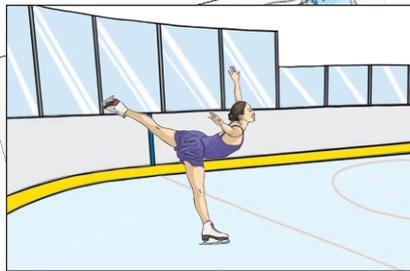
We _____ having a great time skiing.



The snowman's buttons _____ made out of coal.



The frost _____ covering the cottage window.



Some people _____ skating on the ice rink.



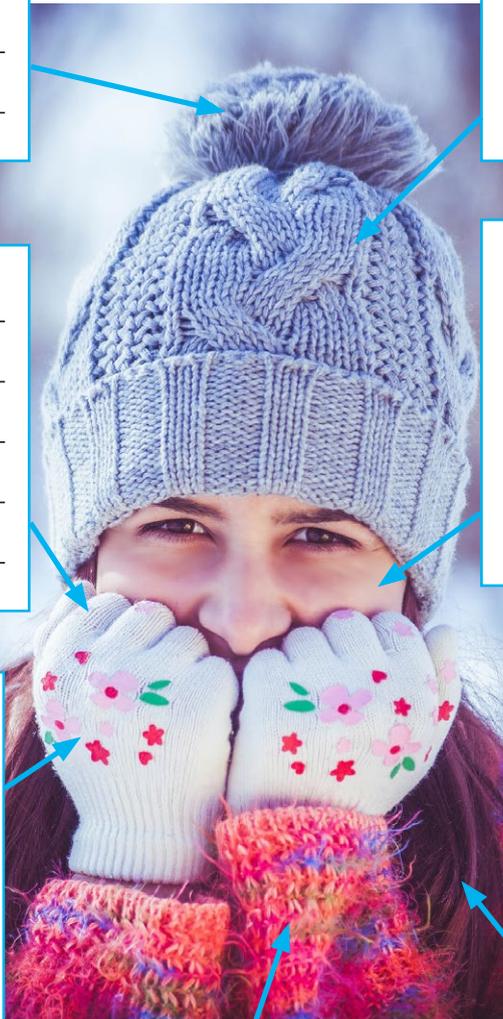
They _____ wearing boots lined with thick fur.

Write a postcard of your own to tell your teacher about an imaginary holiday to a snowy place. Use both **was** and **were** at least once in your writing.

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Picture Perfect Prepositions

Look at the wintry picture below. Write a sentence in each box about the part of the picture the arrow is pointing to. Every sentence must contain an appropriate preposition. Use the bank of prepositions below to help you.



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An Extract From King Winter

The sky is dull and grey,
Piercing and cold is the blast,
Each step crunches on the frosty ground,
Winter has come at last.

Mamma sits by the fire,
Her little ones round her knees.
“How cosy we are, Mamma,” they cry,
“Tell us something, if you please.”

“Tell us about King Winter,
And about Jack Frost, his man;
We’ll not be noisy or naughty at all,
But as good as ever we can.”

“Well then,” says Mamma, “you, Jenny,
May knit and listen, my dear;
And Johnny may split up wood, to make
The fire burn bright and clear.”

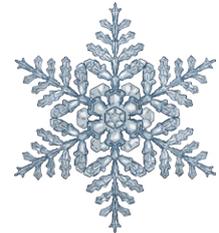
King Winter dwells in the North;
Far away in the Frozen Zone,
In a palace of snow he holds his court
And he sits on an icy throne.

He has cushions of course: his Queen
Made them out of her wedding gown.
Stuffing them well with snowflakes fine
And as soft as eiderdown.

The King has a trusty servant,
Jack Frost is his name; his nose
Is raspberry red, his beard is white,
And stiff as a plank it grows.

Old Jack is a sturdy good fellow,
And serves their Majesties well;
He’s here and he’s there, and he’s everywhere
And he does more than I can tell.

Each year, as the day comes round,
The king and his royal train
Set off on a tour through the whole wide
world,
And sweep over mountain and plain.



1. Find and copy two adjectives which describe the sky.

2. What did Mamma ask Johnny to do whilst listening to her story?

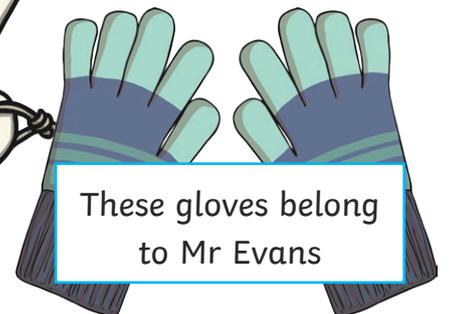
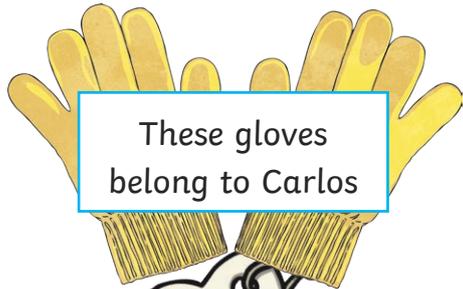
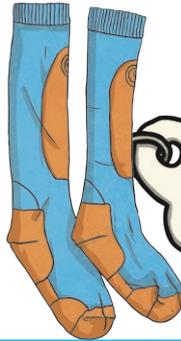
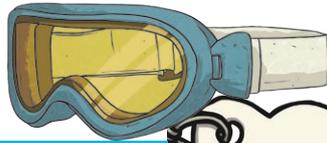
3. Which word does the poet use in the fifth verse which means the same as ‘lives’?

4. Why do you think that the Queen stuffed the cushions with snowflakes and not material?

5. How is this description of Jack Frost similar to another character you know?

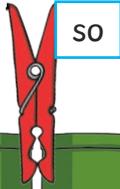
Lost Property at Ski Slopes

The ski season has only just started and all of these people have managed to lose something. On the tags, can you write the owner's name and put the possessive apostrophe in the correct place?



What a Pair of Wellies!

The school's wellington boot trolley is in a right muddle. Can you pair up two wellington boots that make sense together when clipped together with a conjunction peg? One example has been done for you.



The snow was falling quickly

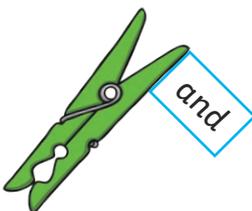
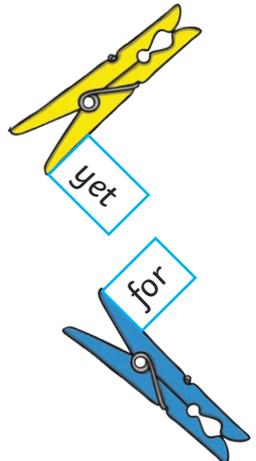
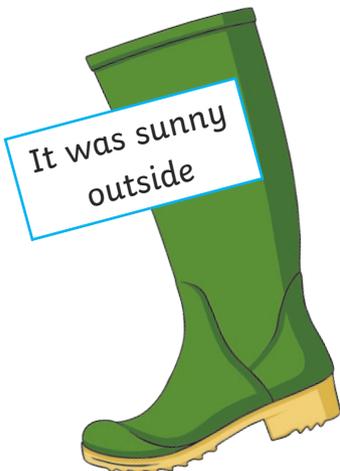
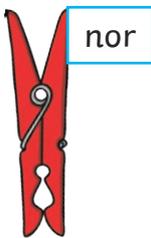
the road was soon covered.



Linda didn't have her scarf



The snowman had a carrot nose



Winnie's Winter Warmers

Jack Frost has been to work and sprinkled flakes of snow over this page of Winnie's recipe book. Can you insert the correct piece of punctuation which has been covered by the snowflakes below?

The World s Best Hot Chocolate

• irst, put $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cup of water into a small  metal pan and bring it to the boil 

 Next, whisk three tablespoons of finely milled cocoa powder into the pan.

• After that, mix in the following ingredients  chocolate chips  sugar and whole milk.

• Pour the mixture into mugs, top with whipped cream and add marshmallows 



Warming inter Broth

• Boil some ham in a sturdy  metal pot overnight 

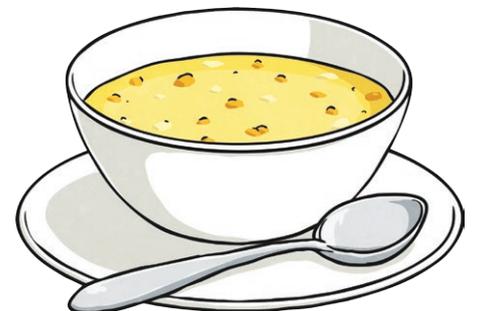
• For the soup, peel and chop an onion  some garlic  a potato and two parsnips.

 Heat a glug of oil in your pan and lightly cook the ham and the vegetables together 

• Add water and boil for around 30 minutes 

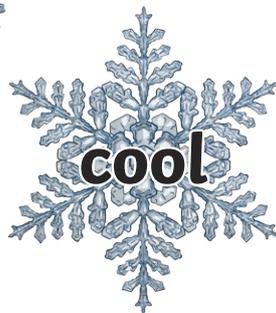
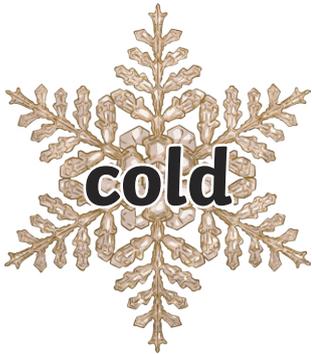
• Serve with warm  crusty bread.

What a delicious broth you have made 



Snowflake Synonyms

Can you match the golden snowflakes to two blue snowflakes which mean the same thing?
Draw lines to connect the synonyms together.



Write four sentences, each containing one adjective from the golden snowflakes and one from the blue snowflakes?

An Extract From

Daddy Takes Us Skating by Howard R. Garis

“Oh, how red your nose is!” cried little Mabel Blake one day as her brother Hal came running out of the school yard, where he had been playing with some other boys. Mabel was waiting for him to walk home with her as he had promised.

“Yours is red too, Mab!” Harry said. “It’s as red as the crabs at our seashore cottage this summer.”

“Is my nose red?” Mab asked some of her friends.

“It surely is!” replied Jennie Bruce. “All our noses are red!” she went on. “It’s the cold that makes them so. It’s very cold today. Soon it will be winter, with lots of snow and ice! Oh! I just love winter!”

“Come on, Hal!” called Mab. “Let’s hurry home before it gets any colder!”

“Let’s run!” suggested Hal. “When you run you get warm, and you don’t mind the cold.”

“What makes us get warm when we run?” his sister inquired, as she took hold of his hand and raced along beside him.

“I don’t know,” Hal answered, “but we’ll ask Daddy when we get home.

He can tell us everything.”

The children ran home from school, and, though it was cold, for it was almost winter now, they did not mind it. Their noses got more and more red but they knew when they were in the house, near the warm fire, the red would all fade out.

As they reached it they saw their mamma and their Aunt Lolly out in the front yard, bringing in pots of flowers and vines.

“Quick, children!” called Mamma Blake, “You are just in time! Here, Hal, you and Mab put down your books and help us to carry in the flowers. Take only the small pots and don’t drop them, or get any dirt on your clothes. We need help to get all the plants in before dark. There is going to be a very heavy frost and everything will freeze hard tonight. It will be very cold!”



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1. Where had Harry been playing with his friends?

2. Why do you think that Mabel also asked her friends if her nose was red?

3. Find and copy three words that the author uses instead of 'said'?

4. How could the children get rid of their red noses?

5. What would happen to the plants if Mamma didn't take them inside? Why?

Walking in a Winter Word Wonderland

Find your way through this icy maze by correctly spelling the Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spelling Words correctly. Make sure you make it through the maze before the blizzard blocks the way.

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OUT



- interest
- arrive
- early
- build
- straight

- length
- surprise
- answer
- question
- continue

