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The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

Circle group

Snowman Sid saw the kids at the beach. They had warm, pink noses.

"I want a pink nose," said Sid. He rolled to the beach.

Sid sat in the sun. Drip, drip! He got small. His carrot nose fell in the sand.

"Help!" said Sid. A kind girl named Ivy ran up. She put Sid in a cooler with ice. She took him home.

Sid was cold and glad. Ivy painted his nose pink with a berry.

Questions

1. What did Sid want?

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2. Where did Sid roll?

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3. What fell in the sand?

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4. What did Ivy paint his nose with?

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5. Why did Sid get smaller?

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Words to know

snowman: a person shape made out of snow
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Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
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The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

Triangle group

Snowman Sid looked at the kids at the beach. They had warm, pink noses.

"I want a pink nose, too," said Sid. He rolled down the road to the beach.

Sid sat in the sun. Drip, drip, drip! He got smaller and smaller. His carrot nose fell in the sand.

"Help!" said Sid. A kind girl named Ivy ran up. She put Sid in a cooler with ice and drove him home.

Sid was cold and happy. Ivy painted his nose pink with a berry. "Now you have a pink nose," she said. Sid gave her a big, cold hug.

Questions

1. What did Sid want?

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2. Where did Sid roll to?

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3. What fell in the sand?

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4. How did Ivy paint Sid's nose?

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5. Why did Sid get smaller in the sun?

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Square group

Snowman Sid gazed at the children playing at the beach. Every one of them had a warm, pink nose from the sun.

"I would like a pink nose, too," said Sid. So he rolled all the way down the road to the beach.

Sid sat in the bright sunshine. Drip, drip, drip! He grew smaller and smaller, and his carrot nose tumbled into the sand.

"Help!" cried Sid. A kind girl named Ivy ran over. She tucked Sid into a cooler full of ice and carried him home.

Sid felt cold and happy again. Ivy painted his nose pink with a squashed berry. "Now you have a pink nose," she said.

Questions

1. What did Sid the snowman wish for?

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2. Where did Sid roll to?

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3. What tumbled into the sand?

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4. What did Ivy use to paint his nose pink?

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5. Why did Sid grow smaller in the sunshine?

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For the teacher: The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

Easier · 77 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.7

1. He wanted a pink nose.
2. To the beach.
3. His carrot nose.
4. A berry.
5. The sun was hot, so he began to melt.

Triangle: The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

This passage · 100 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.1

1. He wanted a pink nose.
2. To the beach.
3. Sid's carrot nose.
4. She used a berry.
5. The sun was hot, so he began to melt.

Square: The Snowman Who Wanted a Sunburn

Harder · 111 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 1.5

1. He wished for a pink nose.
2. To the beach.
3. Sid's carrot nose.
4. A squashed berry.
5. The sun was hot, so he began to melt.