

Questions 10 to 19 are about 'The Wind and the Sun'



The wind and the sun were arguing.

'I am the king of the sky,' boasted the wind. 'I can rip up trees and blow ships off course. Nothing is as strong as I am!'

'You?' scoffed the sun. 'I am much stronger than you. I can turn ice into water and I warm the earth and make plants grow!'

Their argument continued until the sun said, 'Let's have a competition to see who is the strongest.'

'OK,' said the wind. 'What do I have to do?'

**10.** What were the sun and the wind arguing about?

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11. What did the wind say he could do? Tick **one** box.

rip up trees ☐

fly kites ☐

sail boats ☐

warm the earth ☐

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12. Write **one** thing the sun said he could do.

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'Do you see that man on the road down there?' asked the sun.

The wind looked down to the road. There was a man walking along in the snow. He was wearing a thick coat and a scarf.

'Yes,' replied the wind.

'Well, whoever can remove the man's coat from his back is the strongest.' said the sun.

'That's easy!' shouted the wind. 'Just watch me, I'll blow his coat off!'

13. Why was the man wearing a thick coat and scarf? Tick **one** reason that you know from reading the story.

It was raining. ☐

It was snowing. ☐

It was cold. ☐

It was winter. ☐

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14. What did the sun say the wind had to do to prove he was the strongest?

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15. Why did the wind think winning would be easy?

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The wind began to howl. The trees bowed down before his might. The fallen leaves whipped around the man's legs, but the man just pulled his coat closer around him. The wind grew angrier. He blew until the branches began to crack, but still the man kept his coat, holding on tightly to keep warm.

'I give up!' huffed the wind. 'I can't blow anymore.'



16. What does 'the trees bowed before his might' mean? Tick **one** box.

1 mark

The trees bowed to the wind because he is the king. ☐

The trees were bending over because the wind was so strong. ☐

The trees snapped because the wind was so strong. ☐

17. Why does the wind get angry?

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18. Why can't the wind blow the man's coat off?

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The sun crept out from behind a cloud.

'It's my turn,' he said.

The sun did very little. He sat in the sky, sending his rays down to the man. Soon his rays began to get too warm for the man and he took off his scarf. The sun continued to sit in the sky, sending his rays down to the man. Soon the man undid his coat buttons. The sun continued to send his rays down to the man, and a short while later the man became so warm that he took off his coat.

'I win!' exclaimed the sun.



19. Explain how the sun won the competition.

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