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Poetry

I. DIRECTIONS: Next to the number write the letter of the correct

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- ☐ 1 To pinch somebody is to ...
a hit them forcibly with a weapon.
b shake their hand.
c squeeze their flesh between one's forefinger and thumb.
- ☐ 2 A snap is ...
a a small piece of wood.
b a piece of a person's hair that coils or hangs together.
c a photograph.
- ☐ 3 To waddle is ...
a to walk confidently in a straight line.
b to walk with short steps, moving awkwardly from side to side.
c to walk through water or another liquid, usually with difficulty.
- ☐ 4 Homeward means ...
a to go or move in the direction of home.
b to be in or to travel to another country.
c to go on a long journey.
- ☐ 5 A piece of clothing is custom-made when ...
a it fits many people with different sizes.
b it is made for a particular person, fitting their particular size and shape.
c it is designed by a fashion designer and sold in stores.

II. DIRECTIONS: Next to the number write the correct option.

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- ☐ 1 To shake with fear is to quake / quit.
- ☐ 2 The skin on the top of your head where hair grows is the brew / scalp.
- ☐ 3 A fly / flea is a small insect that lives on animals.
- ☐ 4 A hog is a pig / octopus.
- ☐ 5 Glow / Glee is a strong feeling of happiness.

The Winter Olympics are practically here.
They say that the sports will be different this year.
Instead of athletes who always compete,
They plan to have animals! Won't that be neat?
They plan, for example, in cross-country skiing
This year to have not even one human being.
Instead, they'll let polar bears out of zoos
And fit them with custom-made cross-country shoes.
With helmets and skis they'll head out in the cold
To race one another and go for the gold.
On ski jump this winter I hear that they'll use
A family of jackrabbits or kangaroos.
I'm sure the Olympics this year will be huge
With goats on the snowboards and lemurs on luge!
And won't it be fun to watch elephants race
On bobsleighs downhill at a neck-breaking pace?

Taken from "The Winter Olympics Are Practically Here"

- 1 What is different about the Winter Olympics this year?

- 2 What sports do they plan to have?

- 3 What will be special about the polar bears' shoes?

- 4 What other equipment will the polar bears use?

- 5 Why does the narrator think that the Olympics will be huge?
