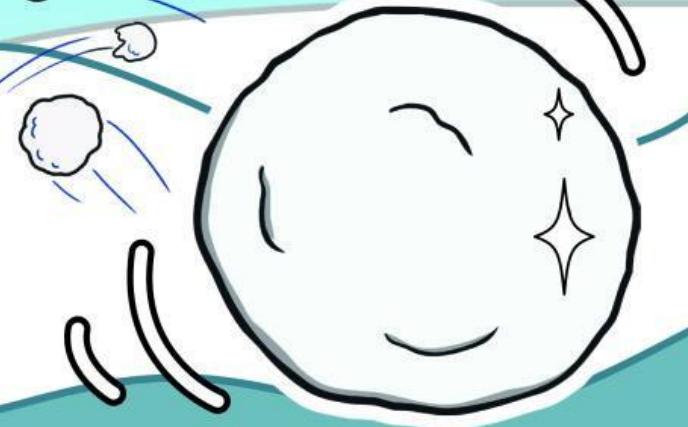


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Questions

1. **Crisp, blue skies, a _____ of snow.**

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Where does the snowball fight take place?	•
Where does the snowball hit the child?	•
What can the child smell at the end of the poem?	•

• hot chocolate
• at the park
• on their hat

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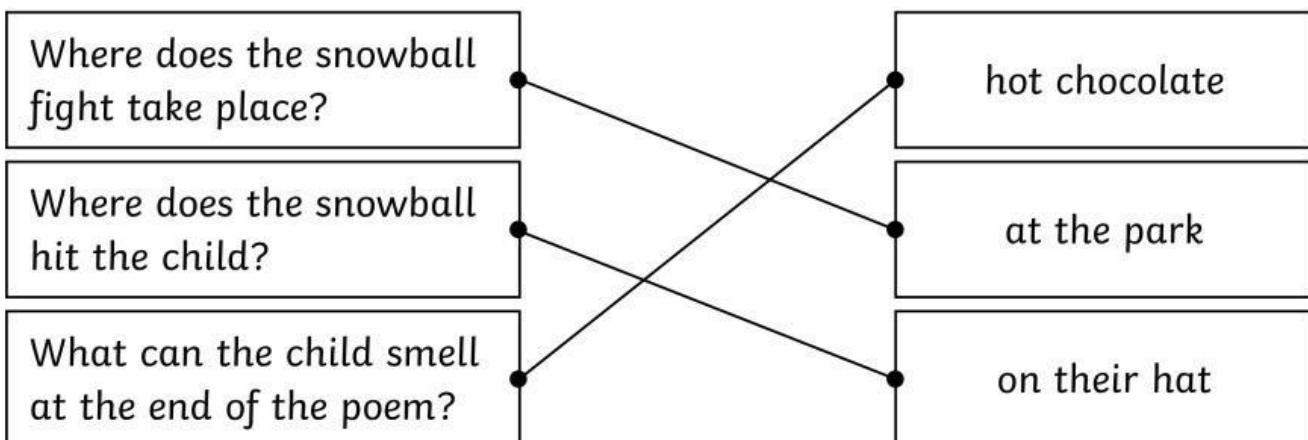
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