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Comprehension QUEST #2

Read & Comprehend

The Old Wooden Sleigh

The sun dipped low, casting long shadows across the town of Pine Ridge. The air was crisp, and the scent of wood smoke curled from chimneys, mixing with the faint smell of pine needles drifting from the forest beyond. Inside the Miller family home, a fire crackled merrily in the hearth, its warmth spreading through the room and making the house feel safe against the chill outside.

In the corner of the living room, the old wooden sleigh sat, waiting. It had been a part of the Miller family for as long as anyone could remember. Every year, Grandpa Henry would carefully polish the sleigh, making sure it was ready for Christmas morning. The polished wood gleamed in the firelight, and the red paint was still vibrant, even though it had faded slightly over time.

Maggie Miller, just ten years old, sat near the fire, her eyes fixed on the sleigh. Her grandfather had told her stories of how he and his brothers had used it to carry firewood from the woods when they were young, never imagining that one day it would be something to treasure.

Maggie loved hearing these stories. She loved hearing how the sleigh had traveled with the Miller family from their old farmhouse to their new house in town. She loved that it had seen generations of the family come and go, each leaving behind a memory that the sleigh quietly held.

Tonight, however, the sleigh wasn't just a part of family history—it was part of Maggie's dream. She had convinced Grandpa Henry to let her use it to deliver Christmas cookies to the neighbors. Together, they packed the sleigh with small baskets of cookies wrapped in bright red ribbons and carefully made their way down the snowy street. The sleigh glided smoothly over the snow, its runners making a soft squeaking sound as they moved, and Maggie couldn't help but smile as she imagined the joy it would bring to everyone.

When they returned home, the fire was flickering with the promise of Christmas. Maggie and Grandpa Henry hung their coats by the door and sat down together to enjoy a cup of hot cocoa. Outside, the stars twinkled brightly in the clear night sky. The world felt peaceful, and Maggie knew that the best part of Christmas wasn't the presents or the cookies—it was the moments spent with the people she loved.

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Short Answer QUEST #2

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Directions: Answer the questions to show comprehension after reading the passage.

1. What is the significance of the old wooden sleigh in the story?

2. What do you think is the main theme of the passage?

3. How does the author describe Grandpa Henry's relationship with the sleigh?

4. What does the word "glided" mean in the sentence "The sleigh glided smoothly over the snow"?

5. How does the author use sensory details to create a peaceful atmosphere in the Miller home?

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Directions: Choose the best answer for each comprehension question after reading.

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- B. It serves as a family tradition, passed down through generations.
- C. It is a decoration in the Miller home during the holidays.
- D. It helps Grandpa Henry carry firewood into the house.

2. How does Maggie feel about the old wooden sleigh?

- A. She feels it is too old and no longer useful.
- B. She is excited to hear the stories about it and sees it as a family treasure.
- C. She doesn't understand why her grandfather keeps it.
- D. She prefers new toys over the old sleigh.

3. What sensory details help create the cozy atmosphere inside the Miller home?

- A. The wind howling outside and the chilly air.
- B. The soft squeaking of the sleigh runners.
- C. The crackling fire, the warmth of the room, and the scent of wood smoke.
- D. The sound of wrapping paper being torn.

4. Why does Maggie smile while delivering the Christmas cookies with the sleigh?

- A. She enjoys spending time with Grandpa Henry and imagines how happy the neighbors will be.
- B. She is excited about the presents she will receive later.
- C. She is racing to deliver the cookies before it gets too dark.
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