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To The Ferry

by B.J. Lee

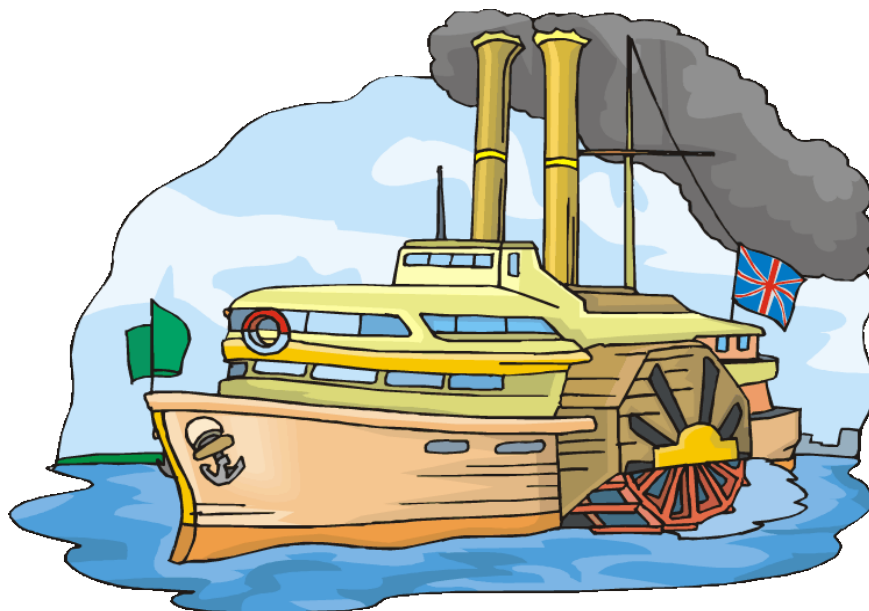
Down we go to Shawshung ferry
just beyond Van Doren's dairy.
The man says, "It'll be awhile,"
so into the dairy we all pile
and have ourselves an ice cream cone.



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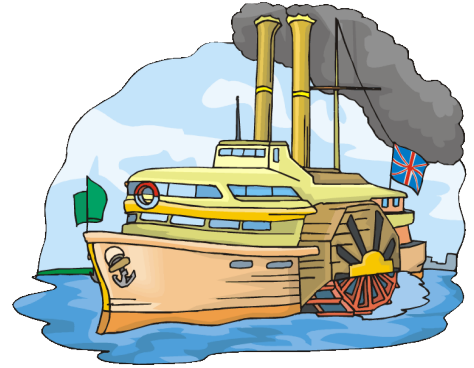
then we go have some more ice cream.



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1. Why do the people in this poem decide to buy ice cream?
- a. Because there is an ice cream stand on the ferry
 - b. Because they just finished dinner
 - c. Because they have extra time before the ferry arrives
 - d. Because they want to see Mr. Van Doren

2. What is a dairy?
- a. a book where you write secrets
 - b. place where ice cream and milk products are made or sold

3. What is a ferret?

- a. a small animal that likes to dig
- b. a small animal that likes to swim
- c. a small animal that likes to climb
- d. a small animal that likes to fly



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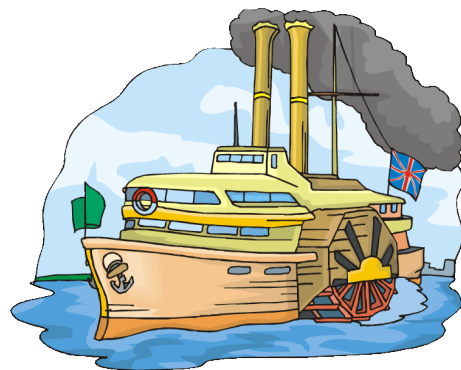
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 - b. to fall down
 - c. to arrive late
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5. Write four sentences to describe the plot of this poem.

ANSWER KEY

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1. Why do the people in this poem decide to buy ice cream? **c**
- a. Because there is an ice cream stand on the ferry
 - b. Because they just finished dinner
 - c. **Because they have extra time before the ferry arrives**
 - d. Because they want to see Mr. Van Doren

2. What is a *dairy*? **b**
- a. a book where you write secrets
 - b. **place where ice cream and milk products are made or sold**

3. What is a *boat* that carries people or automobiles?

c
d



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- a. a boat that carries people
- d. **a boat that carries people or automobiles**

4. What does the word *slip* mean in this poem? **a**
- a. **place where boats dock**
 - b. to fall down
 - c. to arrive late
 - d. the bottom of a hill

5. Write four sentences to describe the plot of this poem.

A group of people are running past a dairy to catch a ferry boat. Someone informs them that the ferry will be late, so they decide to get ice cream while they wait. While they are eating ice cream the ferry comes, so they run to the dock. They miss the ferry and decide go to eat more ice cream.