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Snow Dance

by Kelly Hashway

Adrianna rushed into the living room where her father was turning off the television.

"Well, what did they say?" Adrianna asked.

Her father shook his head. "Sorry, Sweetie. Only flurries in the forecast. No accumulation."



Adrianna loved
the fluffy white
and best of all
sled without snow.



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and was a new

She pulled her sled out from under the tree. It still had a big red bow on it. "All I really wanted for Christmas was new sled. But now that I have it, I can't even use it. This is turning out to be the worst winter ever."

Her father patted her shoulder. "There's still plenty of time for snow, sweetie. Winter's only just begun. Give it time and the snow will come."

"Yeah, but winter break will be over soon, and I haven't gotten to use my sled yet."

"What about all your other Christmas gifts? Why don't you play with them? I bet you'll have so much fun you won't even miss the snow."

Adrianna sighed. Her father just didn't understand. She grabbed her sled and moved it to the middle of the living room floor.

"What are you doing?" her father asked.

"A snow dance," Adrianna said, marching around the sled. She raised her hands in the air and chanted, "Snow, snow, snow."

Her father laughed but Adrianna kept dancing and chanting. She did her snow dance for three straight days before she gave up. She went to bed that night without even checking the weather report.

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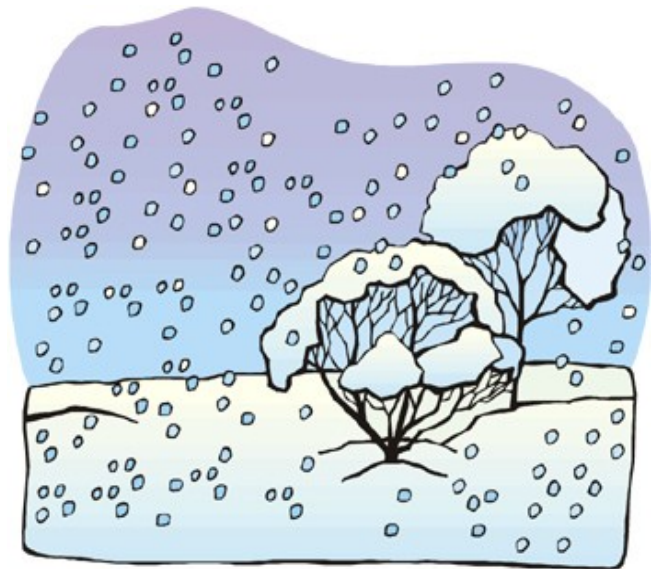
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ning coffee.

"It snowed?" Adrianna asked, sitting up.

"The weather man reported the storm last night. I tried to tell you, but you had already gone to bed. I guess your snow dance worked."

Adrianna laughed. "Or I just had to wait until the snow was ready like you said. But either way, I'm going sledding before breakfast!"



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 - b. to give information about how people live in snowy climates
 - c. to entertain readers with a story about a girl who wants snow
 - d. to entertain readers with a story about sledding, snowmen, and snowball fights

2. Arianna's father says, "Sorry Sweetie. Only flurries in the forecast. No accumulation." What does the word accumulation mean?
 - a. snow that falls during the night
 - b. snow that sticks to the ground
 - c. snow that is more than six inches deep



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Setting: Tell where and when the story takes place. Be specific.

Problem: Describe the problem.



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Solution: Tell how the problem was solved, and how the story ended.

Personal Opinion: Tell whether or not you liked the story, and justify your opinion.

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Repeating the same words again and again.

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Adrianna - a girl who loves winter

Adrianna's father - a man who is optimistic and loving towards his daughter

Setting: Tell where and when the story takes place. Be specific.

This story takes place indoors during winter vacation, shortly after Christmas.

Problem: Describe the main character's problem.

Adrianna wants it to snow so she can use the sled she got for Christmas.

Solution: Tell

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Answers will vary.