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Snow Flowers

by Anita Amin

One snowy afternoon, Mom picked up Eve from school. When they reached home, they raced inside.

"Snow, snow, snow." Mom stomped her boots and shook snow off of them. "I'm tired of snow. I miss sunshine. I miss flowers. I miss birds."

"I know," Eve said. She dropped her book bag on the floor. "But I love snow. I think I'll play outside for a while." She ran back outside.

Eve had fun in the snow with her friends. They threw snowballs. They built snow forts. They made snowmen. They even went sledding.

Then Eve felt cold and came back inside.

"Here you go," Mom said. She handed Eve a mug of hot chocolate.

"I love hot chocolate!" Eve took a sip and smiled.

Mom smiled and left.

Mom always takes care of me, Eve thought. I wish I could give her a gift.

But Eve didn't know what to give Mom. Eve couldn't give sunshine. And there were no flowers outside to pick. And she didn't have money to buy a bird.

Eve had an idea. She took out a sheet of white paper. Then Eve opened her pencil box, took out a sharp pencil, and began to draw flowers on the paper.

She smiled and said, "I can give Mom flowers after all!"

Next, she painted some of the flowers orange, some red, and some yellow. She cut them out.

Next, Eve found some drinking straws with green stripes. "These will make good stems." Eve taped a straw to the back of each flower. Finally, Eve tied a ribbon around the stems.

She carried the flowers to Mom.

"Why, these are the loveliest flowers I've ever seen!" Mom put them in a vase near a window. "They even make the snow seem cheery!"



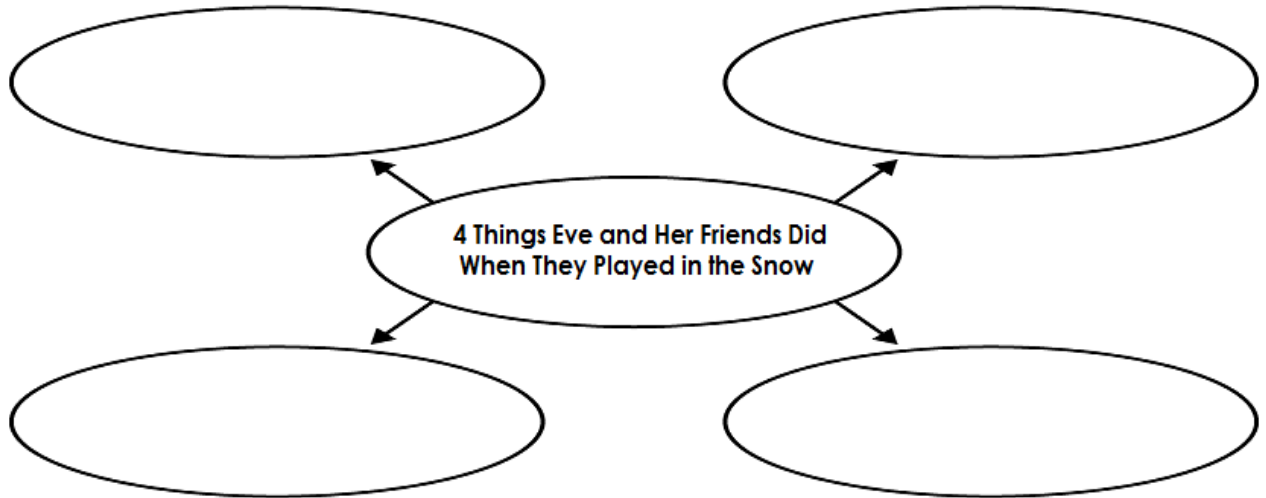
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Cross out the things that Eve did not use.

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- c. on the kitchen table
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- c. She likes to play outside with Eve.
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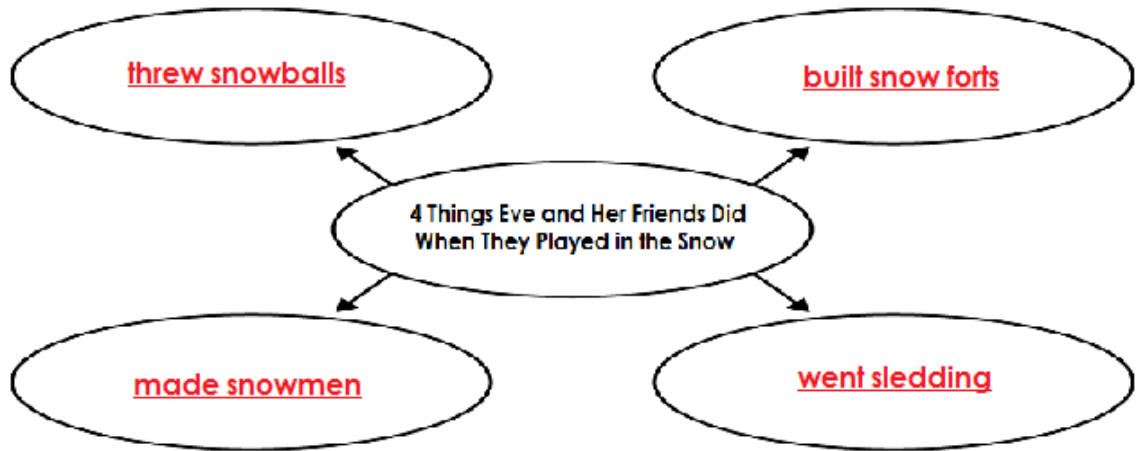
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