



Winter Wonderland

Crisp underfoot, my feet sink down deep,
As the fluffy white snow caves in.
A crunch and a slip, as I steady my grip,
Let the wintery fun begin!



Icicles hang from the buildings above,
Shining and gleaming like glass.
Watery chimes that are frozen in time,
Reflecting the sun as I pass,

Bushes and plants with a powdery coat,
Shed puffs as a robin flies by.
A flurry of snow hits the garden below,
As the robin looks on from up high.

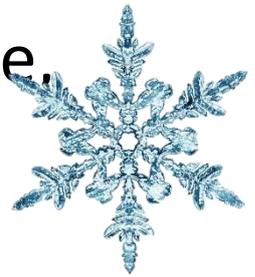
Snow starts to float through
The bitter grey sky,
A twirl as the lacy flakes fall.



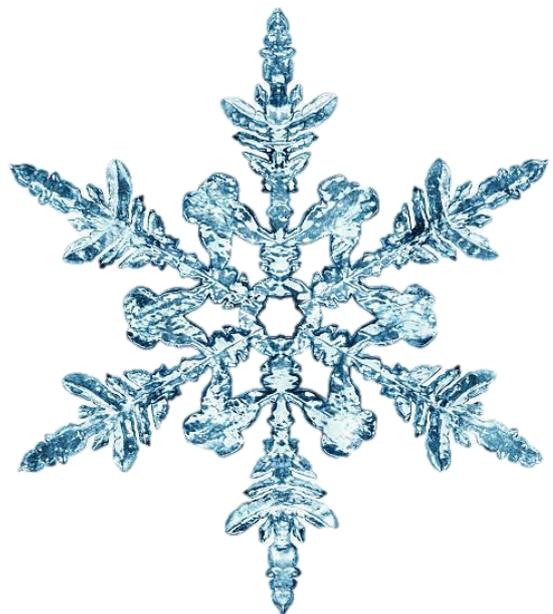
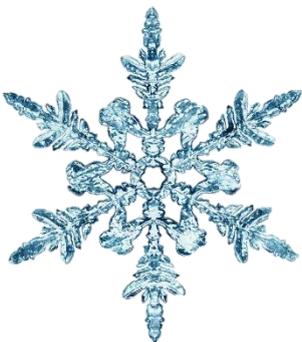
Meeting by chance for a fluttering dance,
In a splendour of shapes big and small.

I look to the river that's frozen on top,
The slippery ice stops the flow.
A crack and a creak in the silence so bleak,
Send a warning of danger below.

The laughter of children is soft in the air
As snowballs exchange between friends.
A snowman to make, a carrot to take,
And a wish that the fun never ends.



My nose is now red, my fingers are numb,
Jack Frost has been spreading his cold.
So home I will head, to my warm, cosy bed,
And the fire, a sight to behold.



Friday 22nd January

Prediction

What type of text is this? How do you know?

You don't need to write this answer down.

Read the whole poem. If you are unsure of the meaning of any words, you can clarify them on the internet.

Think about these questions as you read the text.

- ① Why does the person need to “steady their grip”, in verse 1?
- ② In verse 2, it says that icicles are like glass. Name one way in which icicles are like glass.
- ③ What is the “powdery coat” that the bushes and plants are wearing, in verse 3?
- ④ In verse 4, what are snowflakes compared to? Why do you think the poet has chosen this comparison?
- ⑤ What is the “danger below” in verse 5?
- ⑥ In verse 6, what **two** things are the children doing, whilst laughing and having fun?
- ⑦ In verse 7, do you think the person in the poem is looking forward to going back inside? Give reasons.

Summary

Summarise what you have just read. *You don't need to write this answer down.*

WRITTEN TASK: COMPREHENSION

Answer the questions (① to ⑦) in full sentences.

CHALLENGE: In verse 7, what is the double meaning of the line "Jack Frost had been spreading his cold"?