



A *Blanket* for Snow



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Hello, I'm Tahoma.
When I'm sad, I like to
walk with Snow. What do
you do when you're sad?



Vocabulary



heavy



squeeze



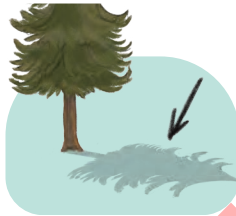
escape



go on an adventure



danger



shadow



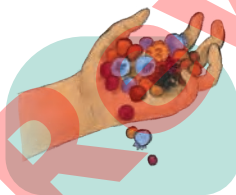
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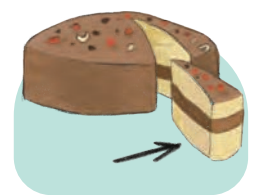
bark



handful



blanket



a piece of



share



guide



alone



fall asleep

Warm-Up Activity

Find and write.

Can you name all of these things? Where do you see them in the book?

Find these pictures and write the page number.



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



p. _____



Tahoma is sad deep down in his heart.
The sadness is like a big snake. He can feel it
move inside him, big and heavy.
It wraps around his heart. It squeezes
so much he can't escape.
He can't make it go away.





But Tahoma knows why the big snake is there.



It's there because his best friend is gone.

Snow and Tahoma were the greatest
of friends. They grew up together.

They did everything together.



When Snow ate,
Tahoma ate.



When Tahoma slept,
Snow slept.



When Snow smiled, Tahoma smiled.

They were always side by side.





One day, they went on a great adventure to the big forest. They didn't see the danger waiting in the shadows. The snake was small, but its bite was quick.



The bite stopped Snow's heart.

And into Tahoma's heart the big snake came.

After-Reading Activities

A. Read and write. Choose the correct words from the box to complete Tahoma's memories of Snow.

guide

asleep

alone

heavy

adventure

squeezed

shadow

bark

handful

fell

1 Once, Snow and I went to a forest and got back very late. Our eyes were so _____ with sleep that we just couldn't keep them open. We both _____ right there while having dinner!

2 Snow and I swam at the waterfall one day. We were playing with a piece of rope, but I dropped it. Snow let out an excited _____ to let me know he'd get it. When he came back up with the rope in his mouth, a frog was sitting right on top of his head!

3 Last summer, Mother sent me to get a _____ of dry grass to start a fire. Snow acted as my _____ and led the way. But it got dark quickly, and I lost sight of him. I thought I was _____. Then, I saw some dry grass and grabbed it. As I _____ the grass in my hand, however, I realized it was Snow's tail!

4 When I was nine, Snow and I went on our first big _____ together. We climbed up to the big egg-shaped rock on the hill and rested in its cool, dark _____ before coming back down. It was a great day!