

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE ITEMS FOR
PRACTICE TEST FOR READING, GRADE 2
(Test items developed for skills measured in MCT)

Skills

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MCT PRACTICE TEST IN READING - GRADE 2

Directions: For Numbers 1 through 7, read the following story. Then read and answer the questions about the story. Fill in the circle beside the correct answer. You may look back at the story.

WINTER FUN

Bobby and Jill liked to play in the snow. They liked to make snowballs and snow animals.

One snowy day they played outside until very late. Before they went to bed, Jill went outside again. "I have something to do," she said. "I'll see you later."

But Bobby was already asleep when Jill came in.

When the children woke up the next morning, the sun was warm and the snow was gone. The snow animals were only wet spots on the ground.

"Don't feel bad, Bobby," said Jill when she saw Bobby's face. "Come with me." They went into the kitchen. When Jill opened the door of the freezer, there was a big pile of snowballs!

"Oh, Jill!" cried Bobby, "Now we can have snow whenever we want!"

1. Read this sentence from the story.

The snow animals were only wet spots on the ground.

Which of these words could be used to replace the word wet in this story?

- (A) dry
- (B) damp
- (C) old
- (D) large

2. This story takes place in

- (A) Summer
- (B) Spring
- (C) Winter
- (D) Fall

3. What did Jill put in the freezer?

- (A) leaves
- (B) animals
- (C) snowballs
- (D) meat

4. What happened to the snow animals when the sun was warm?

- (A) They melted.
- (B) They ran away.
- (C) They were hiding.
- (D) They moved.

5. Which shows how Bobby felt the first day compared to the next morning?

- (A) He felt happy both days.
- (B) He felt bad the first day and happy the second morning.
- (C) He felt happy the first day and sad the next morning.
- (D) He felt sad both days.