

A Glove for the Snowman

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Read the text carefully and answer every question clearly.

Max found a wet paw print beside the basket where he kept his gloves. His red glove was missing. He looked at Patch, asleep on the rug.

'Max, come outside!' called his sister.

Her snowman stood beside the gate, waving with a red woollen hand. Max opened his mouth, then waved back.

'I needed something bright,' she said.

Max took off his other glove and held up both bare hands. His sister looked from his fingers to the snowman. She replaced its glove with a ribbon and gave it back.

Indoors, Patch was still asleep. One of his toys lay beside the wet basket.

Comprehension questions

1. Where was Max's missing red glove?

2. What did Max's sister use instead of the glove?

Reflection questions

1. Why might Max first look at Patch when his glove is missing? Connect the two clues he notices.

2. Why is the paw print not enough to prove that Patch took the glove? Use the later discovery in your answer.

3. What might Max's wave suggest about his first reaction to the snowman? Compare waving with what he could have said.

4. Why might Max show his sister both bare hands instead of simply pointing at the glove? Relate the gesture to why he needs it.

5. What might the sister's look from Max's fingers to the snowman suggest she is thinking about? Use her next action as a clue.

6. How does the ribbon let the sister keep part of her original idea while returning the glove? Connect it with what she wanted for the snowman.

7. What other reason could explain why Patch went near the basket? Use the final detail, and explain why it is a possibility rather than something the story proves.

Opinion questions

1. Do you think the sister should have asked Max before borrowing his glove? Explain your view using what happens.

2. Would you leave the ribbon on the snowman or make it a bright paper hand instead? Explain your choice.

3. Do you like Max's way of showing that he needs his glove, or would you prefer to ask directly? Give a reason connected to the scene.
