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Daisy stood at the back door and stared at the white snow covering the ground. It was March, yet it felt like December. This winter had seemed longer than usual.

"Shouldn't spring be here by now?" Daisy said with a sigh. "I want to take a walk, play on the swings, swim in the pool..." Daisy sighed again, thinking of all the fun things she was missing out on because the ground was snow-covered.

"Hey," her older brother David said. "Why don't you play in the snow?"

Daisy shook her head. "I can't possibly

build another snowman or sled down the hill in the backyard one more time."

"Suit yourself," David said, opening the door and stepping outside.

Daisy went to her room and flopped on her bed. She stared up at her ceiling, which was painted to look like the sky with big, puffy, white clouds. She closed her eyes and imagined it was spring.

Soon Daisy drifted off to sleep. She woke forty minutes later to David



snow, looked different. The swings were set up, a path was cleared through



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Preview

David tugged on her arm, dragging Daisy out of bed.

"What are you talking about?" Daisy asked.

"Just come on." David pulled Daisy to the back door.

Daisy frowned. The snow was still everywhere. "I'm going back to my room," she said.

"Oh no you're not." David tossed her a jacket and pushed her out the door.

The backyard, while still white with

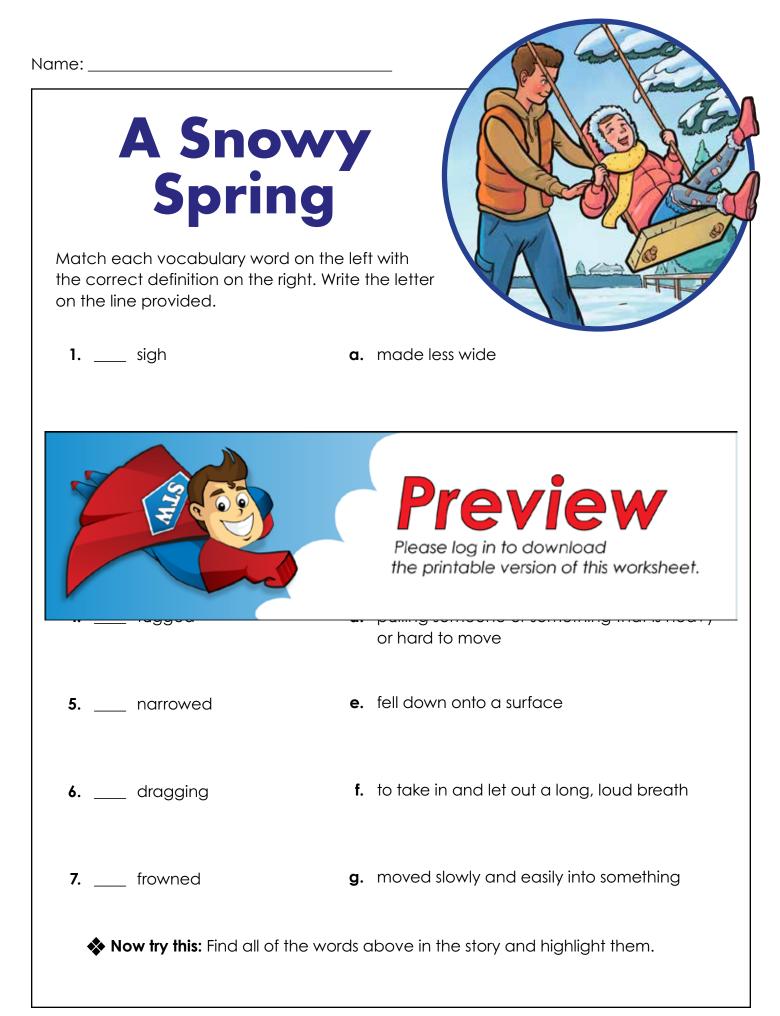
swim. It's only thirty degrees out here."

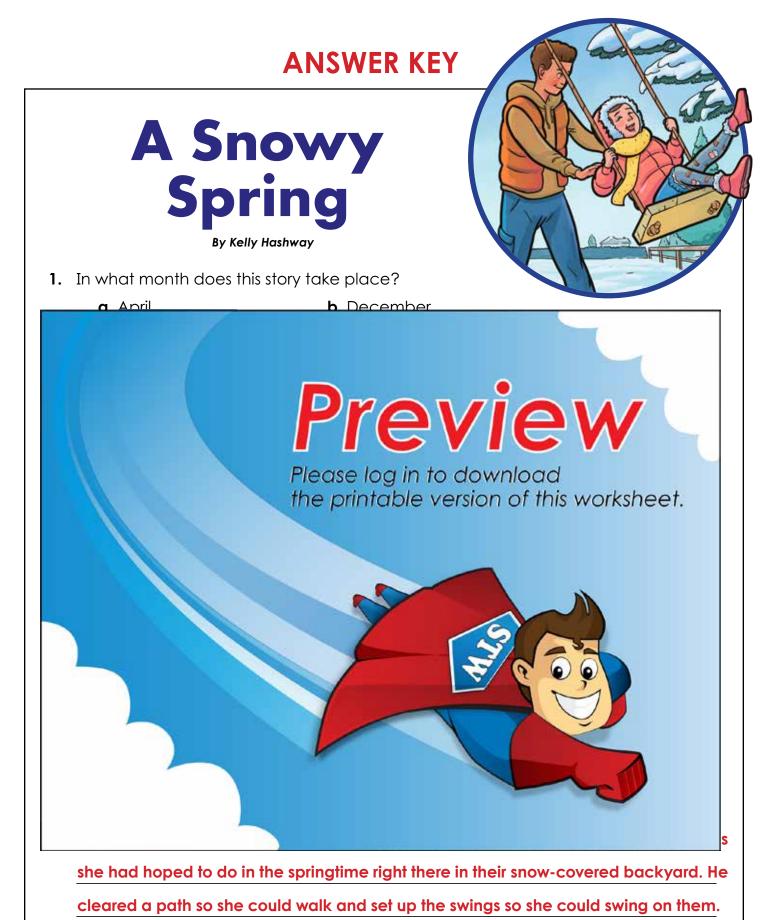
"You can swim in a snow pool," David said, walking over to the large circle and lying down. He started making snow angels. "It's sort of like swimming, and I set up the floating basketball hoop." He shrugged. "It doesn't float, but so what? We can walk along the path I shoveled and even go on the swings. What do you say, Daisy?"

Daisy smiled, happy she had such a great big brother. "I say spring never looked so good."

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1. In what month does t	this story take place?	- MR
a. April c. March	b. December d. February	
2. Which of these activi	ties did Daisy <i>not</i> say she wanted to do?	
a. jump rope c. walk	 b. play on the swings d. swim in the pool 	
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4. Explain how the back	yard appeared different to Daisy.	
5. How did David try to	make Daisy's wishes for spring come true?	

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He knew she wouldn't be able to swim, so he drew a large circle next to the pool to

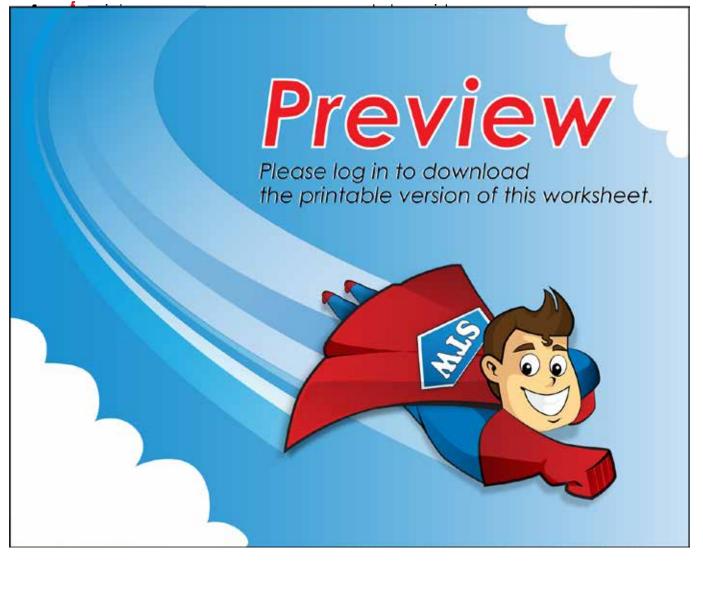
make snow angels in and set up the floating basketball net to play with.

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ANSWER KEY

A Snowy Spring

Match each vocabulary word on the left with the correct definition on the right. Write the letter on the line provided.



Now try this: Find all of the words above in the story and highlight them.