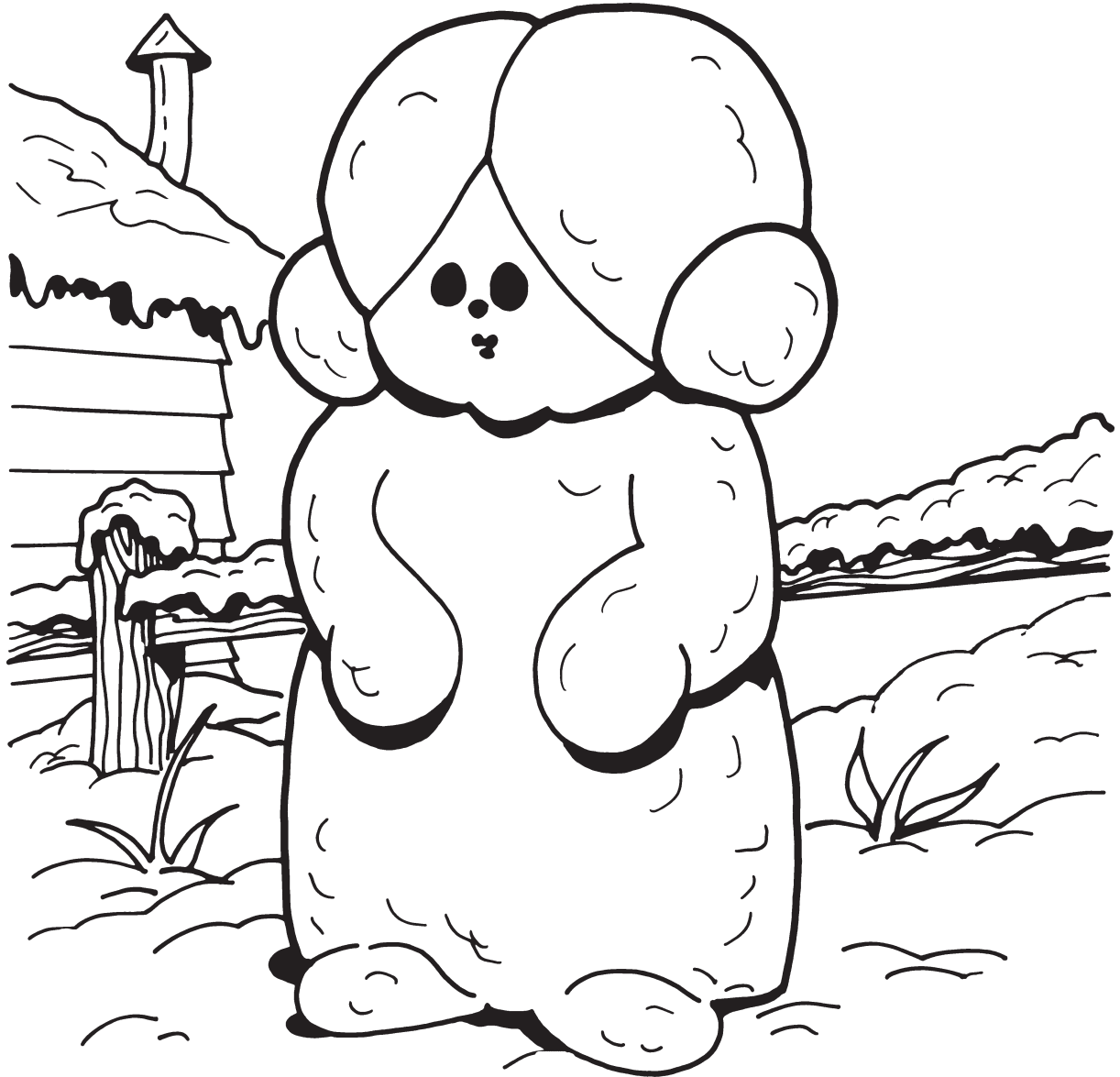


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Answers

- Follow-up questions:
 1. in Russia
 2. They didn't have a child. They wanted one.
 3. make a snowman
 4. a snowgirl
 5. it became a live girl
 6. She had rosy cheeks, blue eyes, and golden hair.
 7. "I came from the land of cold and snow."
 8. She played in the snow with the other little boys and girls.
 9. She became tired and unhappy.
 10. She would have to leave.
 11. They were sad.
 12. She melted
 13. The snow maiden returned.
 14. They knew she would return the following winter.
 15. Warm weather made her melt.
- Page 21: hut, land, man, run, melt, little; name, wife, blow, go, rosy, smile, faint, cheeks.
- Page 22: beautiful/ugly; best/worst; long/short; together/apart; good/bad; sweet/sour; winter/summer; mother/father; north/south; little/big; happy/sad; floor/ceiling
- Inside Back Cover: **child** kid, toddler; **wish** desire, want; **cold** icy, chilly; **happy** glad, cheerful; **leave** go, flee; **forest** woods, trees



A long time ago, in the land of Russia, a peasant named Ivan and his wife, Marie, lived near the forest. These two good people loved each other dearly. They had many friendly neighbors, but Ivan and Marie were unhappy because they had no children.



They used to look out of the window and watch the children of their neighbors playing and laughing together. They wished with all their hearts that they, too, had a little child of their own.



In the spring, she had to go back to the land of cold and snow. Ivan and Marie didn't mind her going this time. They knew that every winter, when it got cold and the snow began to fall, the little snow maiden would come back to Russia again. They knew she would live with them until spring.

snow

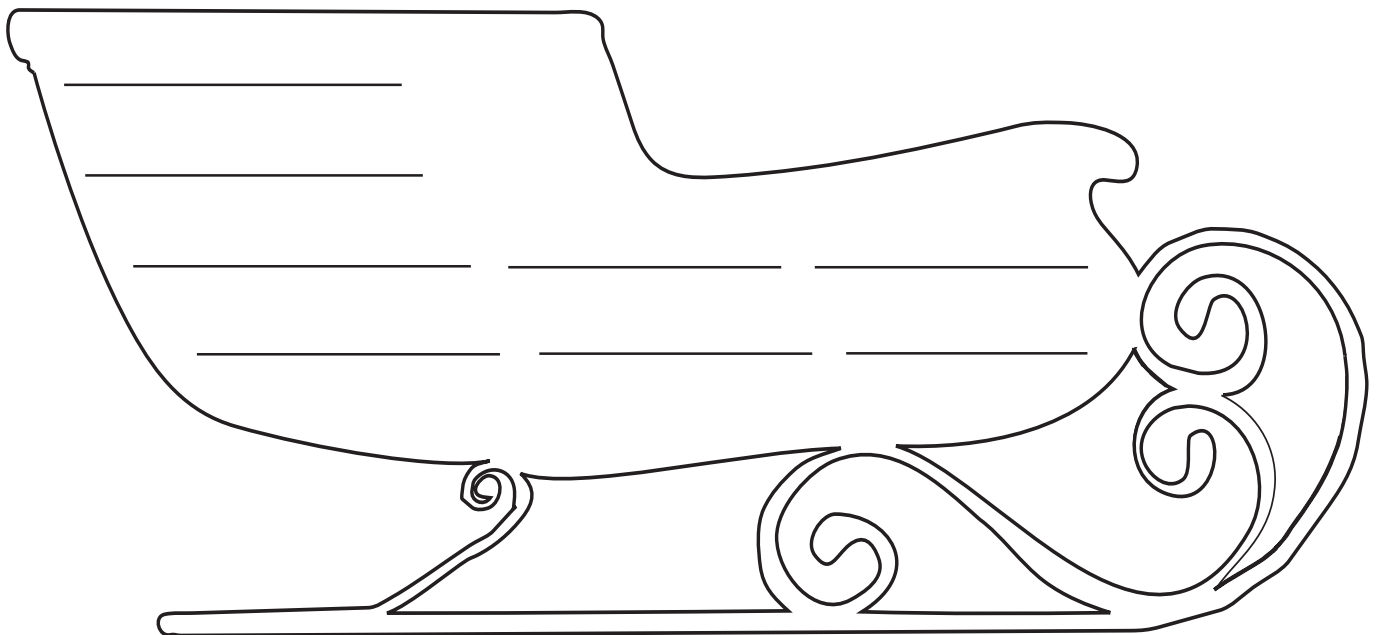
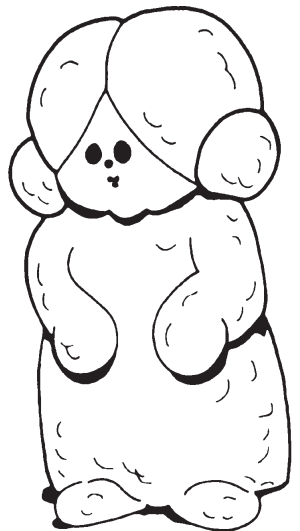
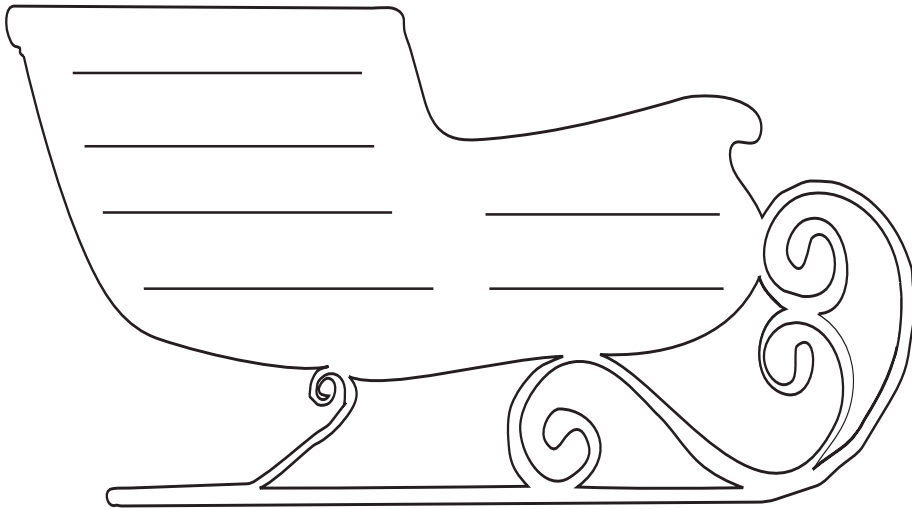
hot

Long and Short Vowels

Write the words with short-vowel sounds on the short sleigh.

Write the words with long-vowel sounds on the long sleigh.

hut	land	name	wife	man	blow	run
go	melt	rosy	smile	faint	little	cheeks



Antonyms

Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings. For each word in the puzzles, there is an antonym in the box.

Complete the puzzles.



worst	summer
ugly	apart
short	father
big	ceiling
south	sour
bad	sad

Crossword puzzle grid with the following words filled in:

- BEAUTIFUL** (horizontal)
- MOTHER** (horizontal)
- HAPPY** (vertical)
- NORTH** (horizontal)
- TOGETHER** (vertical)
- LIT TLE** (horizontal)
- WINTER** (vertical)
- GOOD** (vertical)
- GET** (vertical)
- SOOT** (vertical)
- BEAST** (vertical)
- LONG** (horizontal)
- FLOOR** (vertical)
- SHORT** (horizontal)
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