

A REVISION OF THE FAIRY TALE BY
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The
Snow Queen

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Skills Work 1 - Fronted adverbials

How – **Cautiously**, he peered through the cold, frosted window.

When – **Later that day**, Gerda and Kay skated on the fresh, crisp ice on the lake.

Where – **From the roof top garden**, Gerda and Kay could see the beautiful, red roses bloom around them.

Skills work 2 – Prepositions

Think of a preposition and use it in a sentence.
Context the Snow Queen.

In under on beside in front of

e.g. **Opposite** the town hall was the frozen lake.

Skills Work 3 – Speech Punctuation

Remember our little rhyme:

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Capital Letter

Words the character says

Piece of punctuation

“

Reporting clause

“Would you like some hot chocolate?” asked grandma.

“Look at our beautiful roses,” said Gerda smiling.

But it was all because of the glass that stuck deep in his heart. He even teased little Gerda, who loved him dearly.

Kay's games now became quite different from before; they became very clever. One winter's day when it was snowing, he came outside with a great magnifying glass. Every flake of snow looked like a splendid flower or star, and each was beautiful to see. "Look, Gerda," he said. "They're much more interesting than real flowers. And there's not a single flaw in any of them — until they begin to melt."

Soon afterward, Kay put on thick gloves and placed his sled upon his back. He called to Gerda, "I'm going to the town square, where the other boys are playing," and he was gone.

In the square, the most daring of the boys often tied their sleds to people's carts and were pulled along. What a good ride they had! This day, as they were playing, a great white sled arrived, driven by a stranger wrapped in white fur. Kay boldly tied his little sled to it. The great sled went faster and faster, straight into the next street. The stranger nodded in a friendly way to Kay, as if they knew one another. But every time Kay wanted to untie his little sled, the stranger would nod again, and Kay would remain where he was. And so in this way they drove out past the town gate.

Snow began to fall so rapidly that the boy could not see his hand before him.

Still the stranger drove on. Kay dropped his cord to get loose from the great sled, but it was no use; his sled was bound fast to the other.

He called out loudly as the snow beat down, but nobody heard him, and the sled flew onward as if it had wings.

The boy was frightened. He wanted to say a prayer, but all he could remember were his multiplication tables.

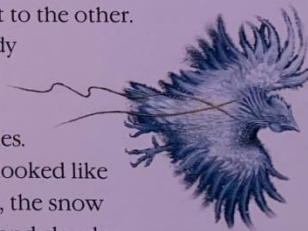
The snowflakes became larger and larger, until they looked like big white hens. Then all at once the great sled stopped, the snow hens parted, and the driver rose up. It was a lady, tall and slender, and her fur wrap and white cap were made of ice. She was brilliantly white. She was the Snow Queen.

"We've made good time," she said. "Why are you trembling? Come under my fur." She seated Kay beside her and wrapped white fur around him, and he felt as if he were sinking into a snowdrift. Then she kissed him on the forehead.

Oh, that kiss was colder than ice, and it went right to his heart, which was already half frozen. Kay felt as if he were going to die. But after a moment he seemed quite fine, and he no longer noticed the cold around him.

The Snow Queen kissed Kay again. And with that kiss, he forgot little Gerda, Grandmother, and all the others at home.

"Now I think it best to give you no more kisses," said she, "for if I did, I might kiss you to death."



Kay looked at her face. She was so beautiful, and he could not imagine anything lovelier. She no longer seemed to be made of ice, as she had when she beckoned to him at the window.

At that moment, Kay felt a sharp wind, as the Snow Queen flew him high over black storm clouds. Below them a cold wind roared, wolves howled, and the snow crackled. Above them, screaming crows flew. And over it all, the moon shone bright and clear, and Kay looked down at the long, long winter night. By day he slept at the feet of the Snow Queen.

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Activity

- Write 3 different sentences that have 2 adjectives.

e.g. The powerful, majestic horses pulled the sleigh.

- Write a how, when and where fronted adverbial sentence.

e.g. Delicately, the snow flakes covered the town like a blanket.

- Write 3 prepositional sentences.

e.g. A lady carrying fire wood walked over the bridge.

- Write 3 sentences starting with a subordinating conjunction.

e.g. Because it was snowing the children made snowmen on the icy lake.

- Write speech for 3 characters.

e.g. "Don't worry I will keep you warm." whispered the Snow Queen.



Total of 15 skills
sentences to write

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