COMPLETE STORY + QUIZ

Sofia and the Snowy Window Clues

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Sofia examines marks on a snowy window and discovers that warm indoor air and a visiting cat made two different patterns.

Read, talk, and discover

The complete story is followed by questions and a separate answer guide. Read aloud together, pause to talk, and take your time.

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Part 1

One winter morning, Sofia found round clear spots and long curved lines on the frosty kitchen window. The marks had appeared overnight.

Part 2

She looked outside for tracks, but snow covered the sill evenly. That meant the marks were probably made from inside the warm kitchen.

Part 3

Sofia breathed near one corner of the glass. Her warm breath melted a small round patch that matched the clear spots.

Part 4

The curved lines were too thin for breath. She compared them with her fingers, a spoon handle, and the whiskers of Marmalade the cat.

Part 5

Marmalade jumped onto the sill and watched a bird. His nose made a round spot, while his whiskers swept curved lines through the frost.

Part 6

Sofia repeated the observation without touching the cat. Another nose spot and several whisker lines appeared in the same shapes.

Part 7

She drew two columns in her notebook: warm nose spots and thin whisker lines. One visitor had made both kinds of clues.

Part 8

Sofia gave Marmalade a warm cushion beside the window. She learned that comparing shape, location, and a repeated event can explain a mystery.

Draw, tell, or write

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.

My favorite part, and why I chose it

STORY QUIZ

Think about the story

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Read each question and all the choices. Circle one answer. A grown-up can read aloud; you can point or say your answer, too.

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1. What did Sofia see on the frosty window?

A. Round spots and curved lines	B. Painted flowers	C. Tiny written words

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

2. Why did Sofia think the marks came from inside?

A. The window was open	B. Snow covered the outside sill evenly	C. A note said so

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

3. What made the thin curved lines?

A. Marmalade's whiskers	B. A spoon	C. Sofia's breath

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

Questions 4 to 5

4. What made each round spot?

A. A falling snowball	B. A toy wheel	C. Marmalade's warm nose

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

5. How did Sofia check her idea?

A. She washed the window	B. She watched the event happen again	C. She asked the bird

Tell someone how you decided, or write a few words.

ANSWER GUIDE

For the grown-up

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Keep this page separate from the child's activity. Read directions aloud when helpful, and invite the child to explain their ideas.

1. A - Round spots and curved lines

Round spots and curved lines

2. B - Snow covered the outside sill evenly

Snow covered the outside sill evenly

3. A - Marmalade's whiskers

Marmalade's whiskers

4. C - Marmalade's warm nose

Marmalade's warm nose

5. B - She watched the event happen again

She watched the event happen again

Keep exploring

Draw your favorite part of the story. Tell a grown-up what happened before it and what happened next.