

Describing a Dream

Part A

Read about Bee's dream from the bottom of p. 14 to the top of p. 15.

Draw Bee's dream exactly as it is described in the text, adding labels to show the different things you have included.



Describe a dream that a child living in the modern day might have where they are being a hero.

Part B

Read about Bee's dream from the bottom of p. 14 to the top of p. 15.

Look back in the text to remind yourself what happened just before the tribe went to bed and use this to help you make up a dream that Bent Tree, the old tribe chief might have had.

Use descriptive language to describe Bent Tree's dream.

Words to help you: the Ritual, ceremony, danger, the Long Frost, the Sky Spirits, ancestors, terrifying, omen, red, ice, snow, shivers.

Bent Tree dreams that _____

★ Challenge Task ★

Can you make up a dream that one of the other tribe members might have that night? Describe it.

Describing a Dream Answers

Part A

Example answers: Labels on the drawing may include 'Long Frost', 'Glinting Fang', 'ice', 'cave lion', 'snarling', 'axe', 'red sun' and 'hazy yellow sky'.

A modern child might dream that they are rescuing a hedgehog that is stuck in a bush. They might tell everyone to stand clear while they put on thick gardening gloves before gently helping the terrified hedgehog out of the bush. All their friends might cheer as the grateful creature scurries away.

Part B

Example answer:

Bent Tree dreams that another Long Frost has arrived. She dreams that she awakes and steps out from the tribe tent to see that all the land is covered in ice and snow. Tearfully, she gazes back inside the tent at the sleeping tribe and she waits before waking them. She wants to delay their horror of realising that the omen was indeed a warning of another time of ice and snow. She shivers and pulls her bear skin robes tighter around her wrinkled, fragile shoulders. The dogs are huddled together and looking frightened. She calls out to them that they should not worry. Bent Tree knows what to do. She will perform the Ritual again. It is not too late. A special ceremony can get rid of this Frost. She must protect her tribe. She wakes them, telling them to prepare for the Ritual.

Challenge Task

Can you make up a dream that one of the other tribe members might have that night? Describe it.

Knotted Mane dreams that she is picking berries. She has a piece of animal skin which she is using to hold all the berries she has picked already. Suddenly, she sees a gigantic berry among the leaves. She has never seen a berry as large as this before and she exclaims, "Wow, that is so big!"

"I am big and I am strong," said the berry. Knotted Mane cannot believe her eyes. She gazes closely at the berry and sure enough the voice is coming from the berry. "Yes, hello!" continues the berry. "You had better not be thinking that you are going to eat me!"