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to today's English lesson

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Good morning, Year 3.

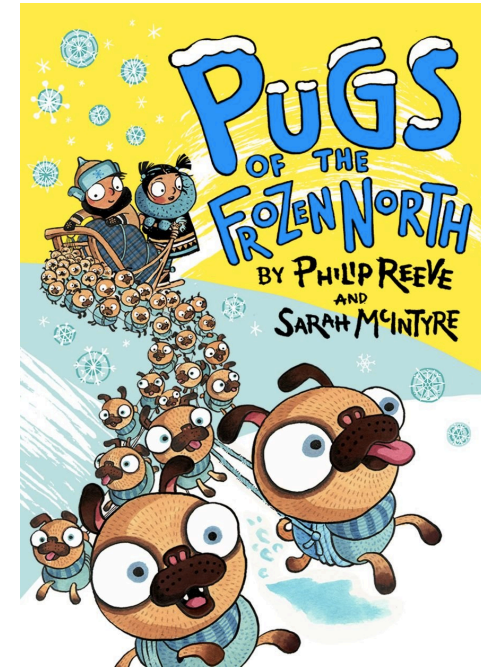
What did you think about our new class book yesterday? What did you predict would happen?

Before you complete this lesson, watch the video of Miss Robertson reading Chapter 1 of the story. There is a link on the website 😊

Once you have done that, work through the questions and activities on this PowerPoint. I hope you enjoy the first chapter 😊

Love

Miss Robertson xxx



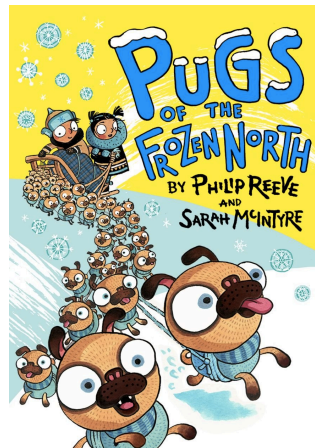
Chapter 1:

Remember to watch the video of Miss Robertson reading this chapter (follow the link on the website.)

You can also read the chapter on the next few pages 😊

In this chapter, the weather starts to turn, the ship 'Lucky Star' is destroyed by the ice and Shen succeeds in saving the pugs 😊. As you read through the chapter, answer the questions as you go 😊.

Please don't worry if you don't complete all of the questions, just try your best. The answers are at the end.





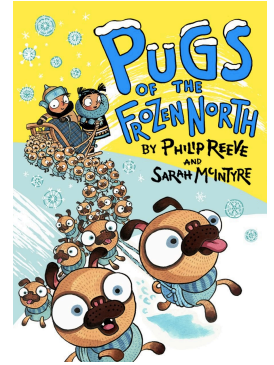
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Winter came in the night, like a white sheet laid over the world. It came so cold and so fast that the waves of the ocean froze as they rolled. The good ship *Lucky Star* froze with them, trapped tight in the suddenly solid sea.

Shen the cabin boy, the youngest member of the crew, stirred in his sleep as the sounds of rippling and splashing faded into frozen silence. He snuggled deeper under the covers, trying to keep warm. Into the silence came other noises. First, the creaking of metal as




Questions based on page 1



'Winter came in the night like a white sheet laid over the world.'

1. What does this sentence tell you about the weather in the story?
2. How do you think this makes the characters feel?
3. What was the ship called?
4. Who was Shen?



the ice tightened its grip upon the old ship's sides. Then the voice of Captain Jeggings, bellowing, 'All hands on deck!'

The crew bumbled blinking from their bunks. Able Seaman Bo, Mungbean the ship's cook, and Shen. They stumbled out on deck and stared at the frozen waves which reared up all around them, stiff and white as giant meringues.

'Don't just stand there!' shouted Captain Jeggings, hauling on an icy rope. 'Get us out of here!'

The rope snapped in his hands with a sound like breaking glass. The *Lucky Star* groaned and quivered as the ice clenched tighter.

'What shall we do?' asked Shen.

But Captain Jeggings didn't know. Nor did Able Seaman Bo. Nor did Mungbean. They'd weathered storms and sat out calms, but they'd never seen a sea like this before.

Creak. Crunch. Big tusks of ice pushed the planks apart and pierced the *Lucky Star's* sides. *Slosh. Gurgle.* Cold black water which hadn't frozen yet came swirling in. The ship sagged, and all the icicles that decked her rigging tinkled cheerfully. But Captain Jeggings couldn't see anything to be cheerful about.

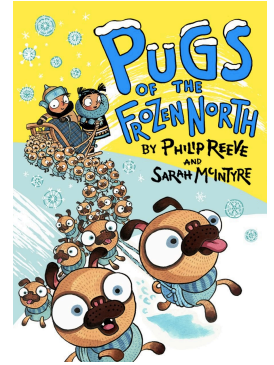
'The cargo!' he shouted. 'We must save the cargo!'

All summer long, the *Lucky Star* had been cruising from port to port, selling this and buying that. Two thousand chunky-knit jumpers from the Isles of Aran, a second-hand snowmobile—and sixty-six pugs. Captain Jeggings had said those tiny dogs would sell like hot pies. Now, down in the leaking hold, they set up a terrible howling as cold sea sloshed round their paws.





Questions based on pages 2 and 3



5. Name some other characters who live onboard the ship.
6. What was happening to the boat?
7. "We must save the **cargo!**" shouted Captain Jeggings. What is cargo?

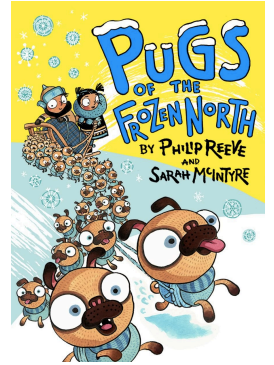


'The dogs!' shouted Shen. 'We must save the dogs!'

Mungbean and Bo went running down the steep stairways which led to the cargo holds and came struggling back up with crates of jumpers. Captain Jeggings winched the snowmobile over the ship's side. Meanwhile, Shen upended the boxes where the pugs slept. The tiny dogs raced up on deck and jumped off the *Lucky Star's* sides on to the ice.



Questions based on pages 4 and 5



8. Who was Shen desperate to save? Why?
9. Why do you think that Captain Jeggings wanted to save the snowmobile?

Shen had heard people talk about rats leaving a sinking ship before, but he'd never heard of pugs leaving a freezing one. There's a first time for everything, he thought, as he dragged the sack which held their leads up on to deck and threw it after them.

The *Lucky Star* shuddered again, squeezed in the teeth of the ice. Rivets popped out of the deck. The funnel trembled like a chopped tree.



shouted Captain Jeggings, jumping over the side.

But Shen had thought of something else that needed to be saved. 'The dog food! It's still on board!'

'It'll have to stay there, then!' yelled Bo, jumping down on to the ice with Mungbean. Shen passed the smallest of the pugs down to them, then jumped after them.

With a final heave, the ice crushed the old ship flat.

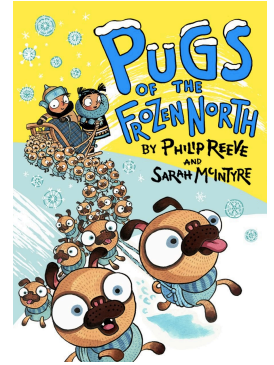
Shen and the pugs stood and shivered, while Captain Jeggings and the others got the snowmobile ready. Its engine coughed and snarled as they started it up. Into its trailer they piled the crates of cargo—but there was no room for the dogs.

'We can't leave them behind!' wailed Shen.

'Well, we can't stay here with them,' said Captain Jeggings. 'This ice might melt as quickly as it came, and then where would we be? Way out at sea



Questions based on pages 6 and 7



10. Look carefully at the picture. From what you have read so far, do you like Captain Jeggings? Why/ why not?



without a ship under us. Awkward.' (He had told Shen that the sixty-six pugs would sell like hot pies, but he meant that they would sell *in* hot pies: his auntie ran a pie shop at home, and she was always looking for new ingredients. They were by far the least valuable bit of his cargo, so he had decided to leave them behind.)

'Maybe they'll follow us!' said Shen. He climbed aboard the snowmobile with Bo and Mungbean and the captain. 'Come on doggies!' he called to the pugs.

The dogs looked up at him, heads on one side. Their hot breath steamed

and smouldered in the cold air like the breath of sixty-six tiny dragons.

The snowmobile set off with a roar. The tower of crates in its trailer teetered and swayed as it went weaving its way between the frozen waves.

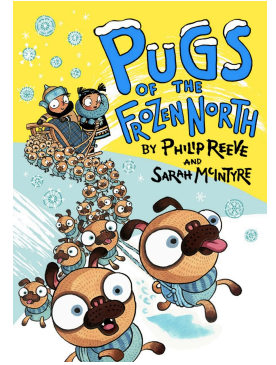
The pugs sat where they were, and watched it go.

'Come on!' shouted Shen. But they didn't seem to understand.





Questions based on pages 8 and 9



11. What did Captain Jeggings hope to do with the pugs?
12. Why do you think that the pugs didn't get on the snowmobile?

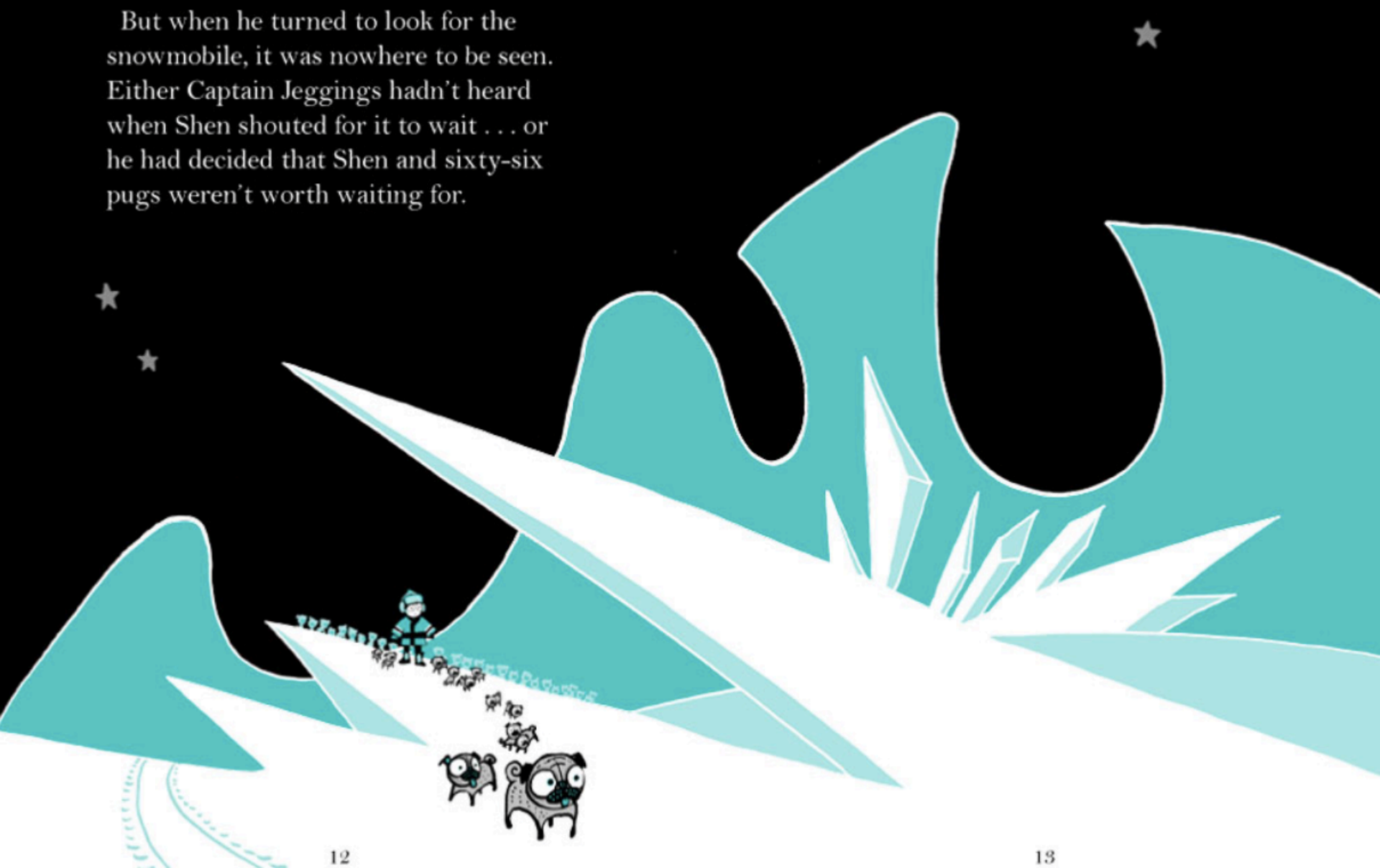


'Wait for me, Captain!' he yelled, and jumped down off the snowmobile. The frozen waves were slipperier than hills of glass. He slithered over them, back to where the pugs sat, and when they saw Shen coming their tails began to wag and they ran to meet him.

'Come on, doggies!' he said, patting sixty-six small, soft heads and getting licked by sixty-six small, soft tongues. 'You've got to follow Captain Jeggings...'

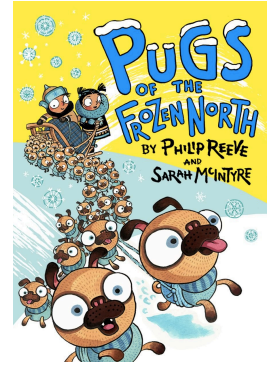


But when he turned to look for the snowmobile, it was nowhere to be seen. Either Captain Jeggings hadn't heard when Shen shouted for it to wait . . . or he had decided that Shen and sixty-six pugs weren't worth waiting for.





Questions based on pages 10, 11 and 12



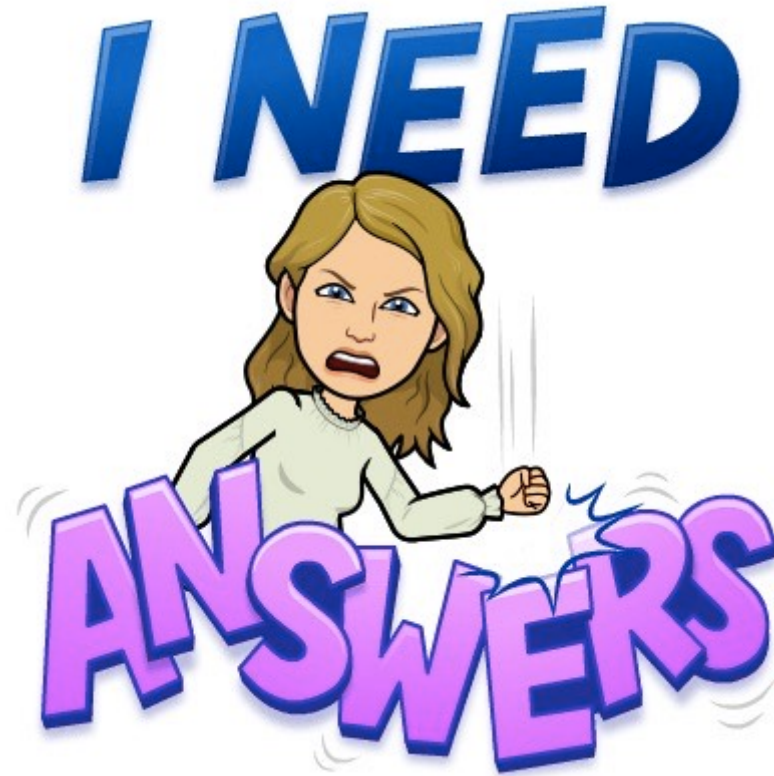
13. Why did Shen get off the snowmobile?
14. Why do you think Captain Jeggings left Shen?

Challenge: Can you summarise what happened to Shen in less than 30 words?



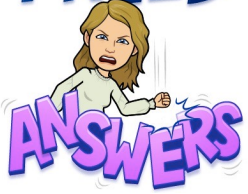
Remember,
summarising is
saying the
main points 😊





**Answers are coming up on the next slide.
No peeking until you have completed the
questions 😊**

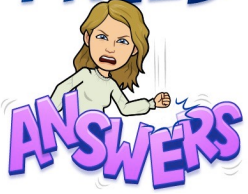
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'Winter came in the night like a white sheet laid over the world.'

1. What does this sentence tell you about the weather in the story? *The weather was freezing cold. Everything was completely frozen.*
2. How do you think this makes the characters feel? *I think it makes the characters panic especially because they are out at sea on a boat.*
3. What was the ship called? *Lucky Star*
4. Who was Shen? *He was a cabin boy and the youngest member of the crew.*

I NEED



5. Name some other characters who live onboard the ship.

Captain Jeggings, Able Seaman Bo and Mungbean

6. What was happening to the boat? *The ice was causing it to break apart and sink.*

7. “We must save the cargo!” shouted Captain Jeggings.

What is cargo?

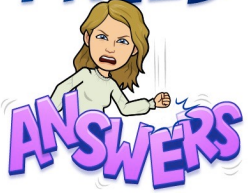
Cargo is the goods carried by a ship/ plane/ lorry etc.

8. Who was Shen desperate to save? Why? *The pugs because he loved them and is kind.*

9. Why do you think that Captain Jeggings wanted to save the snowmobile?

He wanted to save the snowmobile so that he could get away from the ship and use the snowmobile to get to safety.

I NEED



10. Look carefully at the picture. From what you have read so far, do you like Captain Jeggings. Why/ why not?

No, I don't like him. He doesn't seem to treat the crew very well. He shouts at them a lot. Also, he wanted to save himself straightaway and didn't think about the rest of the crew. He was selfish. I also don't like that he wanted to put the pugs in hot pies.

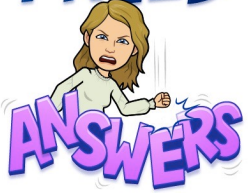
11. What did Captain Jeggings hope to do with the pugs? *He wanted to sell them in hot pies.*

12. Why do you think that the pugs didn't get on the snowmobile?

Possible answers include:

- *It didn't look very safe and sturdy.*
- *They didn't understand Shen's instruction.*
- *They knew that it was a bad idea.*

I NEED



13. Why did Shen get off the snowmobile? *He wanted to save the pugs and get them on the snowmobile.*

14. Why do you think Captain Jeggings left Shen?

Possible answers include:

- *He didn't hear Shen asking him to wait.*
- *He didn't care about Shen and the pugs and just wanted to get to safety.*

Thank you for working so hard.

Please send in any photos of your work or any questions you have to yearthree@st-jo-st.dudley.sch.uk

I hope you enjoyed the first chapter of our story 😊

