

The Big Race

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9 The three fireworks stretched and wriggled.

19 They were ready to take off into the sky. Who
27 would win the race? Jumping Jack could spring
35 the highest of the three fireworks. Dancing Dina
43 could spread her colours the best and Racing
51 Ronnie could climb the quickest into the sky.

53 "Get set!"

60 Jumping Jack started to push his way
67 to the front but Dancing Dina twirled
72 into position. Racing Ronnie stood
78 ready to shoot like an arrow.

79 "Go!"

87 Off they went with Ronnie in the lead.

95 Bang! Ronnie reached the sky first. Whizz! Dina
103 danced her way around the sky with magical
110 colours and shapes. Fizz! Jack finally reached
118 the highest with a golden shower of sparkles.

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Questions



1. Who reached the sky first?



2. Why do you think they were **all winners**?



3. Number these events from 1–3 to show the order in which they happened.

- ☐ Ronnie reached the sky first.
- ☐ Jack reached the highest.
- ☐ Dancing Dina twirled into position.



4. Why do you think the description **like an arrow** has been used to describe Ronnie?

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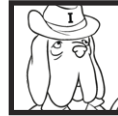


Answers



1. Who reached the sky first?

Racing Ronnie reached the sky first.



2. Why do you think they were **all winners**?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think they were all winners because they all did the best that they could do. Ronnie was the fastest, Jack the highest and Dina spread her colours the best.



3. Number these events from 1–3 to show the order in which they happened.

2 Ronnie reached the sky first.

3 Jack reached the highest.

1 Dancing Dina twirled into position.



4. Why do you think the description **like an arrow** has been used to describe Ronnie?
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think 'like an arrow' has been used because an arrow is straight and fast to hit its target.