

# Ready, Steady, Go!



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15 ready to race down the slopes of this  
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94 up. Josh steered the sledge safely to the  
101 bottom. He grinned eagerly as he raced  
108 back to do it all over again.



## Questions



1. What made Josh's ears tingle and his cheeks burn?

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2. Which word used means the same as 'moving quickly'? Tick one.

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## Answers



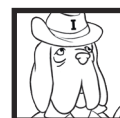
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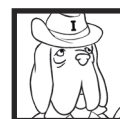
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3. Why do you think that the **sun danced in delight**?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the sun danced in delight because it was happy to shine on the lovely winter wonderland.**



4. Why do you think Josh wanted to do the sledge ride all over again?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that Josh likes the excitement and speed of the sledge as he hurtles down the slope.**