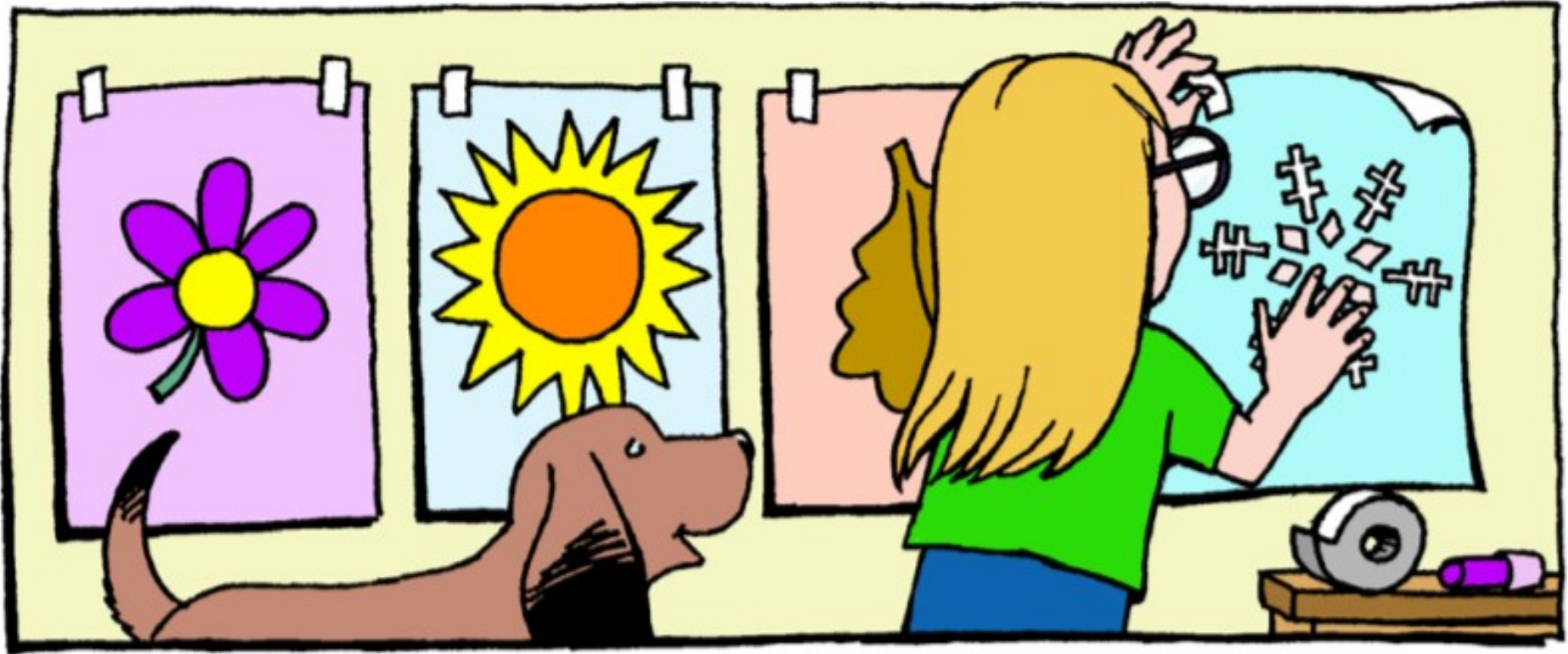


If you work with Mrs Clare and Mrs Southworth for Phonics, please read this text and complete your task.

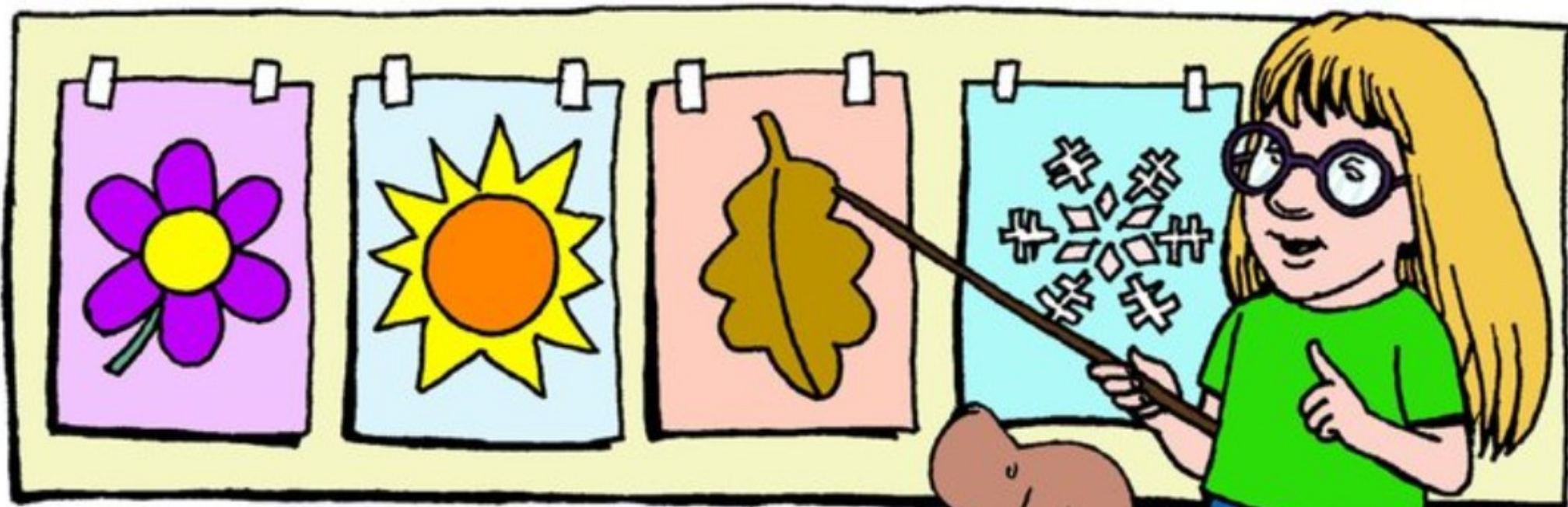
Changing Seasons



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I live where the weather changes during the year.
It changes with each season.
We have four seasons.



We start with spring.
Then comes summer.
Then comes fall.
Then comes winter.

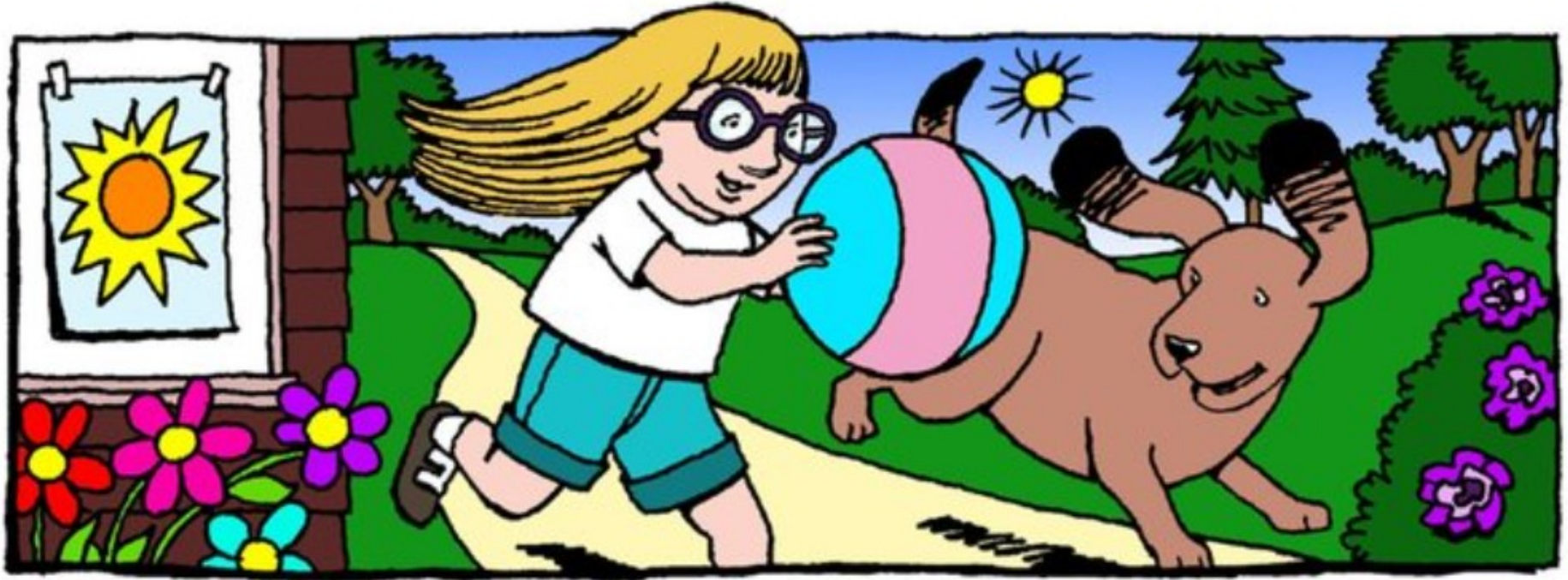


It is spring and the snow melts.

It gets warmer, and plants begin to grow.

The days get longer, and the nights get shorter.

I wear my jacket.



It is summer.

It gets hot, and the plants grow bigger.

The days are long, and the nights are short.

I wear my shorts.



It is fall.

It gets cooler, and the plants stop growing.

The days get shorter, and the nights get longer.

I wear my sweater.



It is winter.

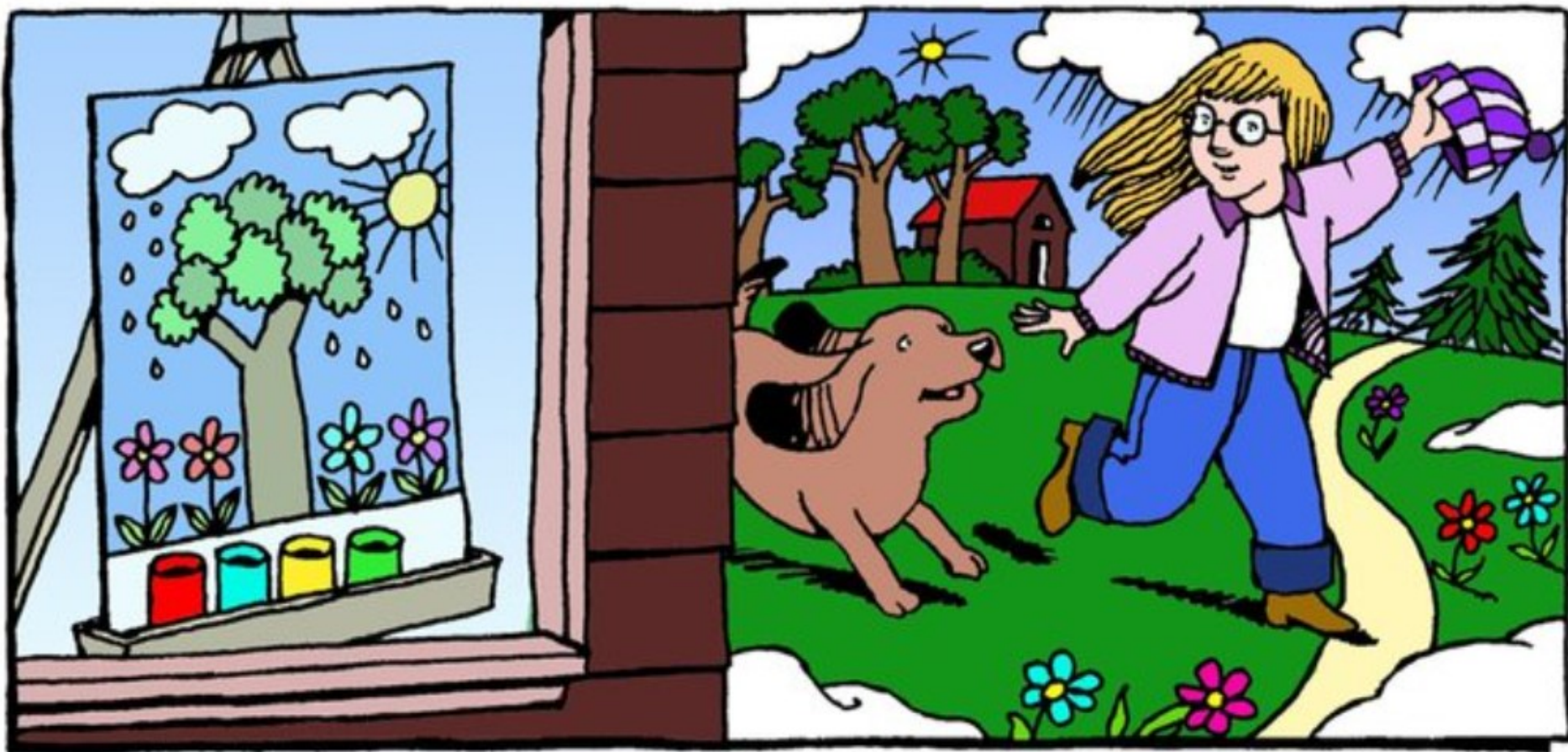
It is cold, and many plants die.

The snow begins to fall, and the days are short.

I wear my coat.

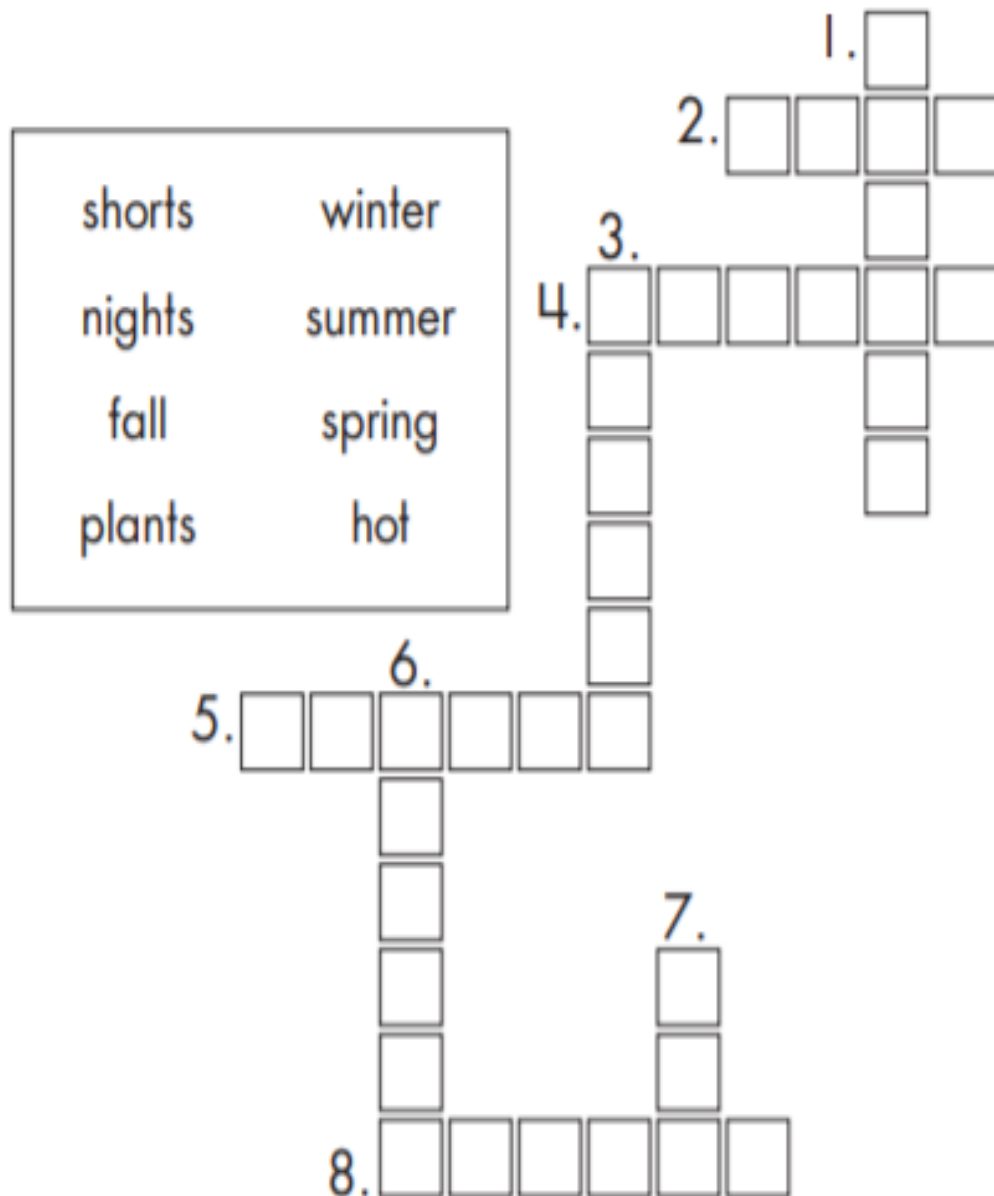


The weather has changed with each season.
It got warmer and warmer.
The days got longer and longer.
Then it got cooler and cooler.
The days got shorter and shorter.



Next, I will see spring again.
The cycle will start all over.

Task - Using the information from the book, complete the crossword. Use the clues to help you.



ACROSS

- 2. season when leaves come off the tree
- 4. season after winter
- 5. when snow begins to fall
- 8. clothes worn in summer

DOWN

- 1. these die in winter
- 3. season that is hot
- 6. these are long in winter
- 7. it is ____ in summer

DOWN

Everyone else - Read the information and complete the questions.

Terrible Tornadoes

7 Tornadoes are sometimes called twisters. They are
17 very large and fast spirals of air that come from
25 a thunderstorm on the ground. They are often
34 grey in colour and look like an elephant's trunk
43 spinning from the sky to the floor. Tornadoes can
52 have wind speeds of up to three hundred miles-
62 per-hour so they can cause a lot of damage.
66 They can easily destroy
69 large buildings, pull
74 trees out of the ground
78 and can even carry
83 cars through the air for
87 a long distance. Most
92 tornadoes only last for a
97 few minutes but no one
102 quite knows how or why
104 they stop.



Quick Questions



1. What are tornadoes sometimes called?



2. How might someone feel if they see a tornado coming? Give a reason.



3. '*...they cause a lot of damage.*' In this sentence, what does 'damage' mean?



4. Number these facts from 1 to 3 to show the order they appear in the text.

_____ Tornadoes are very large spirals.

_____ Tornadoes only last for a few minutes.

_____ Tornadoes easily destroy large buildings.