A Happy Cat

Once upon a time, there was a little cat. Who wore a hat, it was as big as a bat. The cat loved to play, and run around. But when he put on his hat, he looked like a clown.

One day, he went for a walk in the park. And he saw a dog, who loved to bark. The cat said hi, and the dog wagged his tail. And they played together, without fail.

They ran and jumped, and had so much fun. Until it was time for the cat to be done. He said good-bye to his new friend, the dog. And went home, happy as a frog.

- 1. Read the poem.
- 2. Underline each word that you could not read.
- 3. Circle each word that took you more than 1 try.
- 4. Answer the questions.

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Answer according to the reading passage:

- 1. What did the cat wear?
- a. boots
- b. a hat
- c. a moon

2. What did the cat love to do?

- a. purr
- b. meow
- c. play

3. What did the cat see at the park?

- a. a dog
- b. a cat
- c. a baby

4. Who was the cat's new friend?

- a. frog
- b. cat
- c. dog

5. When the cat went home, he was happy as a:

- a. dog
- b. frog
- c. log

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Open Response Questions for Thinking Skills:

- 1. Inferring
- 2. Making Connections
- 3. Summarizing
- 4. Visualizing
- 1. Why is this reading passage called A Happy Cat?
- 2. Who does this cat remind you of?
- 3. What is this poem about?
- 4. What do you see in your mind when you read the poem?
- How do you feel about cats?
- > Why do you think the dog and cat played so well?
- > What do you think the cat will do tomorrow?
- How many rhyming words can you find in this poem?
- When the cat put on the hat, he looked like a clown. Can you think of others words that begin on cl like clown?

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