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Reading: Poem

The Sunbeam

“What shall I send to the earth to-day?”

Said the great, round, **golden** sun,

“Let us go down to work and play!”

Said the sunbeams, every one.

Down to the earth the **sunbeams** crept,

To children in their beds,

Touching the eyes of those who slept,

And **gilding** the little heads.

“Wake, little children!” they cried in **glee**,

“And from dreamland come away!

We’ve brought you a **present**! Wake and see!

We’ve brought you a sunny day!”

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Spelling: earth, golden, sunbeams, crept, touching, slept

Questions:

Answer the following questions in sentences.

1. In your own words, summarize the poem "The Sunbeams":

2. What is the title of this passage?

3. What is the main idea of this passage?

4. Who wrote the poem "The Sunbeams"?

Research Questions:

5. The poem mentions sunbeams, refer to online resources to find out the following information.

a. What is a sunbeam?

b. What colours are sunbeams?

c. How do the sunbeams look like at sunset and sunrise?

Literal questions:

6. From where do sunbeams come?

7. Who says the following lines?

a. "What shall I send to the earth to-day?" - _____

b. "Let us go down to work and play!" - _____

8. Why do you think the poet said the “sunbeams crept” down to earth?

9. Where do the sunbeams meet the children?

10. What time does the sunbeam wake the children?

11. What do the following words mean?

a. Gilding: _____

b. Golden: _____

12. According to the poem, what is the purpose of sunbeams?

VAPA- Visualization: Draw and colour sunbeams on the landscape below.

