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Advanced Reading Comprehension

The Legend of the Winter Woods

Read the text below and answer the questions!

In a small village surrounded by towering pine trees, the Winter Woods was a place of mystery. No one dared to venture too far into the forest, especially during the icy months. Legend had it that a kind, ancient guardian named Eldrin watched over the woods, ensuring its peace and protecting the animals from harm.

Tara, a curious twelve-year-old, loved listening to stories about the Winter Woods. Her grandmother often told her that Eldrin would only reveal himself to those with pure hearts. One snowy morning, Tara decided to explore the forest herself. She packed a small bag with some bread, a scarf, and a notebook to sketch anything she found.

As she wandered deeper into the woods, the air grew still, and the snow sparkled like diamonds. Tara heard the sound of water trickling and found a small, frozen stream. Next to it was an unusual sight—a circle of evergreen trees with no snow on their branches. In the center stood a majestic stag with silvery antlers.

The stag looked at her with deep, kind eyes, and she felt warmth despite the cold. "Are you Eldrin?" Tara whispered. The stag nodded and slowly approached her. Tara took out her notebook and sketched the scene, careful to capture every detail.

Before she left the woods, the stag touched her notebook with its antlers. When Tara returned home and opened it again, she was amazed to find her sketch glowing faintly. She realized that she had been given a special memory to cherish forever.

QUESTIONS

1. What was the Winter Woods surrounded by?

2. What did Tara's grandmother say about Eldrin?

3. What did Tara pack in her bag for her journey?

4. What unusual sight did Tara find in the forest?

5. What did Tara do when she saw the stag?

6. What was special about Tara's notebook when she returned home?
