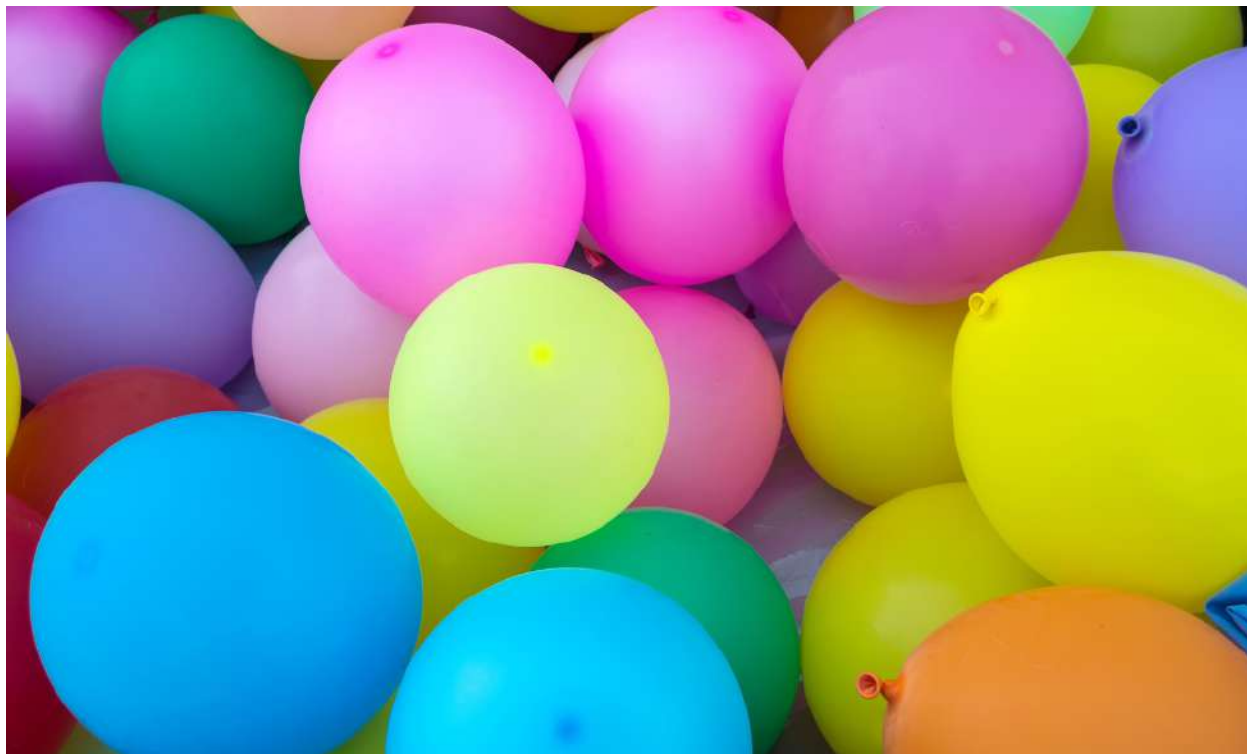




## Year 1 Comprehension 12: The Great Balloon Race



Once upon a time, there was a colourful balloon race in Happy Town. The sky was bright blue and the sun was smiling. Friends gathered with their bouncy balloons, ready to race.

Sally had a red balloon, Billy had a blue one, and Emma had a shiny yellow balloon. They held onto their balloons tightly.

"Get ready, get set, go!" shouted the mayor, and the race began. The balloons floated up, up, up into the sky. Sally's red balloon zoomed ahead, Billy's blue balloon twirled around, and Emma's yellow balloon sparkled.

They flew past fluffy clouds and giggled with joy. The wind blew them this way and that way. Whoosh! The balloons were having so much fun.

As they raced towards the finish line, a rainbow appeared, cheering them on. Sally's red balloon was the first to reach the finish, followed by Billy's blue balloon and Emma's shiny yellow balloon. Everyone clapped and cheered for the colourful balloons. They all got shiny medals. It was the best balloon race ever, and they learned that even in a race, it's important to have fun and be friends.



## Multiple Choice Questions

1. What kind of race was happening in Happy Town?

- a) Car race
- b) Boat race
- c) Balloon race
- d) Bike race

2. What colour was Sally's balloon?

- a) Blue
- b) Red
- c) Yellow
- d) Green

3. Who had a shiny yellow balloon?

- a) Billy
- b) Sally
- c) Emma
- d) The mayor

4. What did the balloons do during the race?

- a) Bounced on the ground
- b) Flew up into the sky
- c) Rolled on the grass
- d) Swam in the river



5. What appeared in the sky as they raced towards the finish line?

- a) Stars
- b) Clouds
- c) Rainbow
- d) Birds

6. Who was the first to reach the finish line?

- a) Billy's blue balloon
- b) Emma's shiny yellow balloon
- c) Sally's red balloon
- d) Riley's red balloon

7. What did they receive at the end of the race?

- a) Candy
- b) Medals
- c) Stickers
- d) Books

8. What did the balloons learn during the race?

- a) Racing is not fun
- b) Winning is everything
- c) It's important to have fun and be friends
- d) Balloons can't fly



9. Who shouted, "Get ready, get set, go!"?

- a) Sally
- b) Billy
- c) Emma
- d) The mayor

10. Where did the balloon race take place?

- a) Sunny Beach
- b) Rainy Forest
- c) Happy Town
- d) Quiet Mountain



## Short Answer Questions

1. What kind of race happened in Happy Town?

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2. What colours were the balloons in the race?

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3. Who had the red balloon?

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4. Who had the blue balloon?

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5. Who had the shiny yellow balloon?

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6. What did the friends do with their balloons?

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7. What did the mayor shout to start the race?

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8. What happened to Billy's blue balloon?

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9. How did Emma's yellow balloon look during the race?

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10. What did the balloons do when they flew past fluffy clouds?

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# Answer Key

## Multiple Choice Questions

1. c) Balloon race
2. b) Red
3. c) Emma
4. b) Flew up into the sky
5. c) Rainbow
6. c) Sally's red balloon
7. b) Medals
8. c) It's important to have fun and be friends
9. d) The mayor
10. c) Happy Town

## Short Answer Questions

1. A balloon race happened in Happy Town.
2. The balloons were red, blue, and yellow.
3. Sally had the red balloon.
4. Billy had the blue balloon.
5. Emma had the shiny yellow balloon.
6. They held onto their balloons tightly.
7. The mayor shouted, "Get ready, get set, go!"
8. Billy's blue balloon twirled around.
9. Emma's yellow balloon sparkled.
10. The balloons giggled with joy when they flew past fluffy clouds





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