#### Sherry Lupton's Second Grade Class

Mockingbird Elementary School Coppell, Texas Snowmen at Night by Caralyn Buehner

#### Interactive Read Aloud:

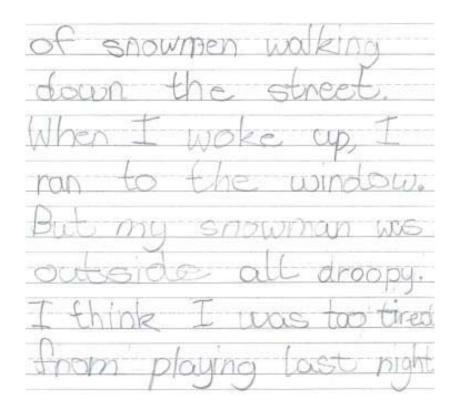
In Texas we rarely get snow and it is even rarer that we have enough to build snowmen! So, in reading *Snowmen at Night*, my class enjoyed thinking about actually building a snowperson and then imagining what the snowmen might do when we are sleep at night.

## Writing Workshop: Culminating Ideas

As a class, we read Eric Carle's *Dream Snow* and Alice Schertle's *All You Need for a Snowman* as well. Then the students created a story that told about a snowman they built and what it did at night.

## Student Writing Sample

Sure medium sure	
wow!	park?" I sat up in
One day, it was snowing	my bed. It's plain
and I went outside	weind that someone
to build a snowman.	is asking to go to
I built him tout and	the park in the night
fat. Then I went back	I went to the Winds
inside to drink some	Wow! Guess what I
hot cocoa. Next, I had	see? I see a baby
to go to bed. When I	snowman unlking town
got in bed I heard	the park It's agamazin
someone say "How Herry	I kept thinking. I went
want to go to the	back to sleep dreaming



After discussing similes and how writers use them to enhance the visual picture for the reader, the students made a booklet of "Snowy Similes". The student had a foldout booklet of blue construction paper, where the student filled in Snow is as \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_ on four different pages. They illustrated their similes above their examples: Snow is as white as a cotton ball, Snow is as perfect as 100 on a test! Snow is as cold as a bowl of ice cream, or Snow is as soft as a pillow made of feathers.

## Follow-up Writing Activity



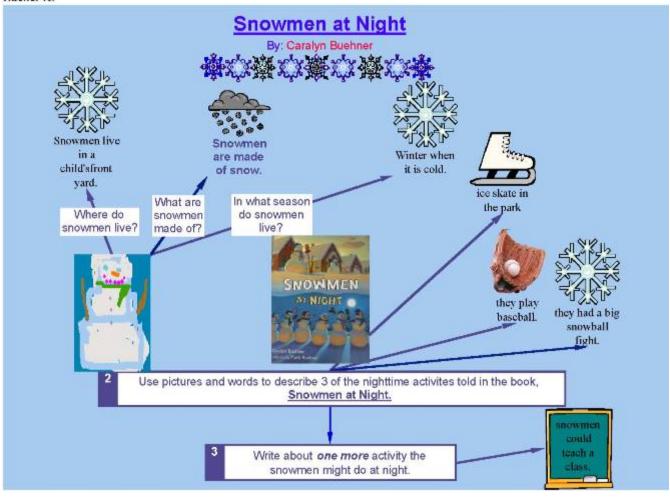


# **Technology Connection**:

Kidspiration – (1) Children were to answer the questions about the story and apply a clip art to match responses, (2) use pictures and words to describe 3 of the nighttime activities told in the book, and (3) write about one more activity the snowmen **might** do at night.

# Student Kidspiration Sample

#### Rachel K.





they had a big snowball fight.