

Reading Home Learning Year 3

The Great British Sizzle

Summer had finally arrived, but it brought a massive heatwave with it. The sun shone like a giant, glowing coin in the cloudless blue sky. Outside, the grass turned from bright green to a crispy, golden brown.

Maya and her brother Leo knew they had to stay safe in the extreme heat. Before stepping into the garden, they slathered on sticky, protective sun cream and popped on their favourite sun hats.

"It is scorching!" gasped Leo, wiping a bead of sweat from his forehead.

Their mum called out from the kitchen window. "Stay in the shade under the big oak tree, children! And remember to sip your ice-cold water."

They decided to make homemade ice lollies using orange juice and reusable moulds. While waiting for the treats to freeze, they relaxed in the shade, listening to the buzzing bees. Staying cool in a heatwave was hard work, but they made it fun!

Part 2: Quick Fire Questions (10 mins)

Ask your child to write down the answers or discuss them aloud.

- **Find the Fact:** What did the grass turn into during the heatwave?
- **Word Hunt:** Find a word in the text that means 'very hot'. (Hint: Look at the dialogue).
- **True or False:** Mum told the children to play in the bright sunshine.
- **Inference:** Why do you think Maya and Leo put on sun cream?
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Part 3: Beat the Heat Challenge (5 mins)

Have your child look around the room. Ask them to list **three items** in your house that help people stay cool during a hot summer day.

Part 4: Read a book of your own choice for 10 minutes