

Improving Your Reading with Sequencing Suki: The Village Green



On the cheerful village green,
Lined around with houses small,
All the boys and girls are seen,
Playing there with hoops and balls.

Now they're skipping hand in hand,
Making lots of daisy chains;
Then they form a marching band,
Stamping happily in the rain.

Look! They've thrown the spotty ball,
High it rises in the air,
Or against the cottage wall,
Up and down it bounces there.

Then the hoop, with speedy pace,
Runs in circles and along;
Joy is seen in every face,
Joy is heard in cheerful songs.

Costly toys and music loud,
Golden toys and racing cars,
Would not make the little crowd
Half as happy as they are.

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- ☐ on the village green
- ☐ high up in the air
- ☐ next to a cottage wall

2. What two things do the children play with first?

1. _____
2. _____

3. Sum up what is happening in this poem in 15 words or less.

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| | Joy can be seen in every face. |
| | They skip hand in hand. |
| 1 | The children can be seen on the village green. |
| | Golden toys would not make the children any happier. |

Answers

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Children are having fun and playing together on the village green.

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