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1. What do some birds do to escape the cold winter? _____
2. Does winter have long days and short nights? _____
3. What is the day called with the fewest hours of sunlight? _____
4. Name two winter sports. _____
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1. What do some birds do to escape the cold winter? Migrate
2. Does winter have long days and short nights? No
3. What is the day called with the fewest hours of sunlight? Winter Solstice
4. Name two winter sports. Skiing, Sledding
5. In which month does the coldest temperatures happen? January