

## Ring Together Reading Answer Key

### Choral Emphasis:

- Answers will vary. Most students will likely choose the storm stanza, since a louder chorus matched the dramatic moment.

### Expression Practice:

- Answers will vary, but students should notice that soft reading feels gentle or calming, while loud reading feels strong and urgent.

### Comprehension Questions:

A. The bell hung in a tall tower.

B. The village was buried in snow by a fierce storm.

C. The villagers felt hopeful and safe when they heard the bell.

### Fluency Challenge:

- Students should be able to switch parts smoothly, showing they understand both narration and chorus roles.

### Teacher Notes / Guide

- **Purpose:** Choral storytelling combines narration and repetition to highlight rhythm, phrasing, and dramatic emphasis. It builds fluency while making reading feel like performance.
- **Implementation Tip:** Assign roles ahead of time. Encourage narrators to use clear pacing, while the chorus focuses on unison, volume, and expression.
- **Observation Focus:** Listen for how students vary tone and emphasis across different stanzas. Watch for engagement during the repeated chorus.
- **Extension Idea:** Let students rewrite the repeated chorus line (e.g., “Ring, ring, calling near!”) to create their own version of the story performance.