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Icy Path Decisions

Directions: Read the short passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Snow fell steadily on the steep mountain trail. The wind howled through the trees, and the ground was slick with ice. Emma pulled her scarf tighter around her face and stopped to catch her breath. She decided to take smaller steps and hold onto a branch for balance as she continued climbing toward the cabin at the top.

1. What is the setting of this passage?

2. What actions does Emma take in this setting?

3. Explain how the snowy, icy mountain affects Emma's choices.

4. Imagine this story took place on a sunny beach instead. How might Emma's actions be different?