

Wednesday - Practising a skill (vocabulary, meaning of words and word choice)

A DRAGONFLY
By Eleanor Farjeon



When the heat of the summer
 Made drowsy the land,
A dragon-fly came
 And sat on my hand.

With its blue jointed body,
 And wings like spun glass,
It lit on my fingers
 As though they were grass.



This poem is also about a dragonfly. Now answer the questions:

1. Why does “drowsy” mean?
2. What word makes people feel drowsy in line one?
3. What phrase describes the dragonfly’s body?
4. Why does the poet describe her fingers as being like grass?
5. How does the poet describe the dragonfly’s wings?
6. Can you think of another word the poet could have used for “sat?”

Challenge

How does the poet use senses in the poem?
(sight, sound, touch, smell, or taste)

Can you list them and say how?

