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## The Melting Snowflake

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The snowflake's fate reflects the transient nature of beauty and youth, just as time causes these aspects of our lives to change and eventually fade away.
2. Possible answers may include flowers, sunsets, or even childhood memories.
3. The snowflake likely experiences joy when falling from the sky, fear when touching the Earth, and acceptance when melting. These emotions represent its journey and transformation.
4. The poem reminds us that, like the snowflake, our beauty and youth are temporary, encouraging us to cherish and make the most of the present.

