

Snowman

Prewriting

Literature Connections

The Biggest, Best Snowman by Margery Cuyler; Scholastic, 1998.

The Black Snowman by Phil Mendez; Scholastic, 1989.

Snowballs by Lois Ehlert; Voyager Books, 1999.

Snowmen: Snow Creatures, Crafts, and Other Winter Projects by Peter Cole; Chronicle Books, 1999.

Spring Snowman by Jill Barnes; Garrett Educational Corp., 1990.

Stranger in the Woods: A Photographic Fantasy by Carl R. Sams; Carl Sams II Photography, 2000.

Concrete Experiences

If you are in an area where snow is available, bring a bucket of snow into the classroom and talk about how it looks and how it feels. Discuss what happens to snow in the sun.

Let the Writing Begin

Emerging Writers

- **A Hat for Snowman**
Snowman needs a hat.
Have students draw hats for the snowman and then tell where Snowman got his hat.
- **Snowman's Friend**
Students draw a friend for Snowman and tell about what the two friends do together.

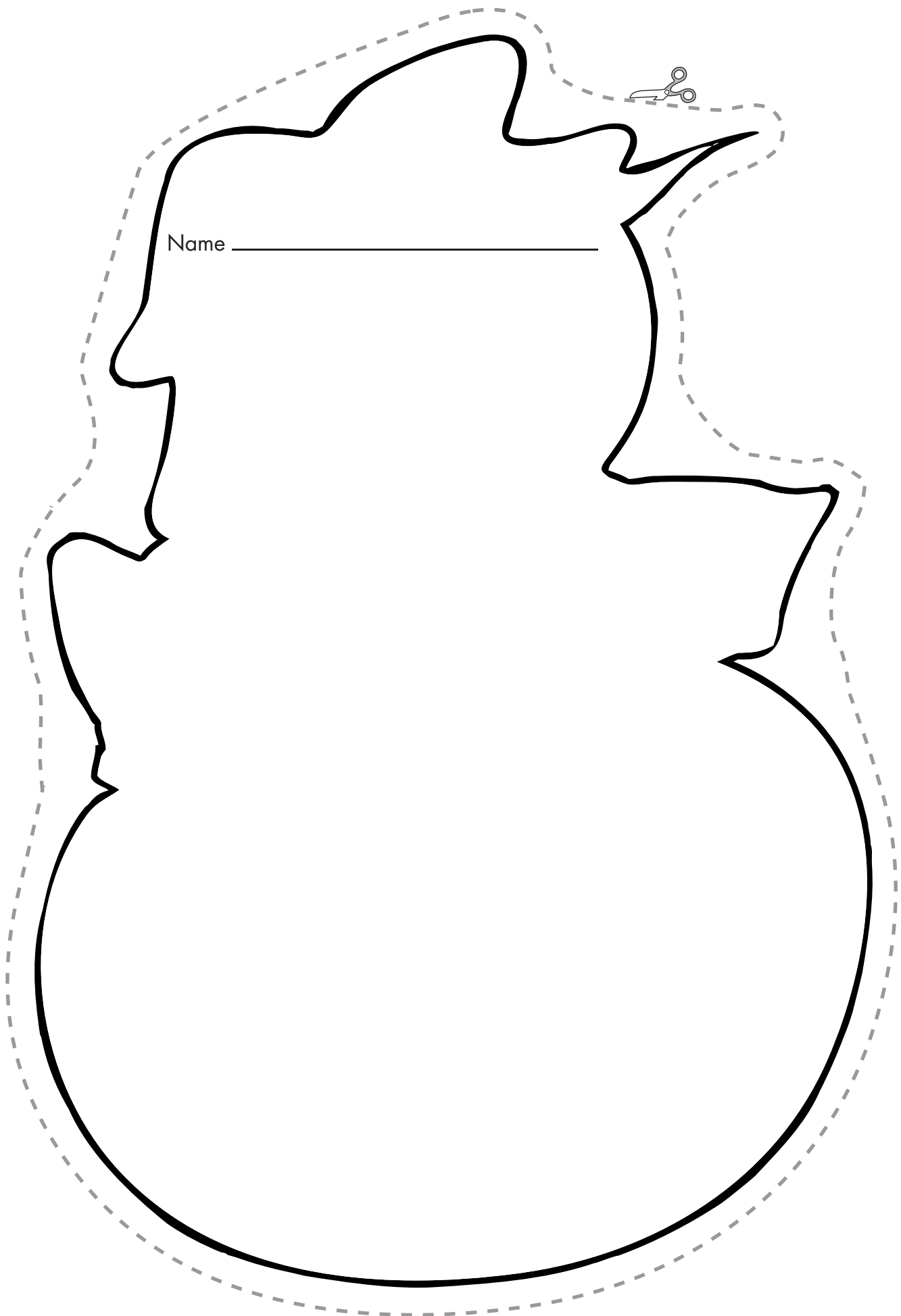
Beginning Writers

- **Snowman's Treat**
Have students draw a treat for the snowman and copy and complete the following couplet.
What does a snowman like to eat?
_____ *is his favorite treat.*
- **What a _____ Snowman!**
Students draw a series of pictures, adding one detail each time, and then write a list describing their additions.
Give the snowman a long carrot nose.
Give the snowman two tennis ball eyes. (and so on)

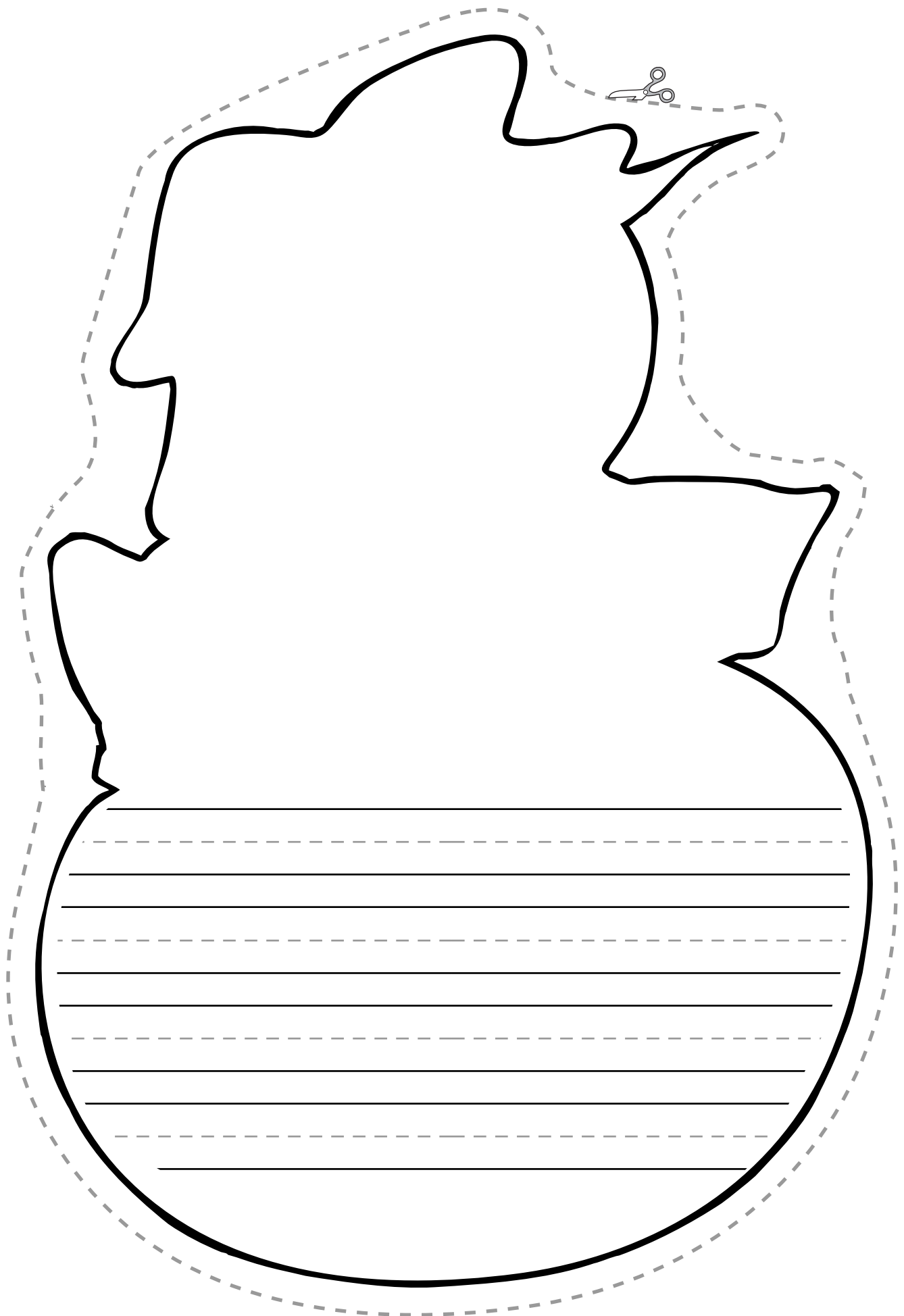
Independent Writers

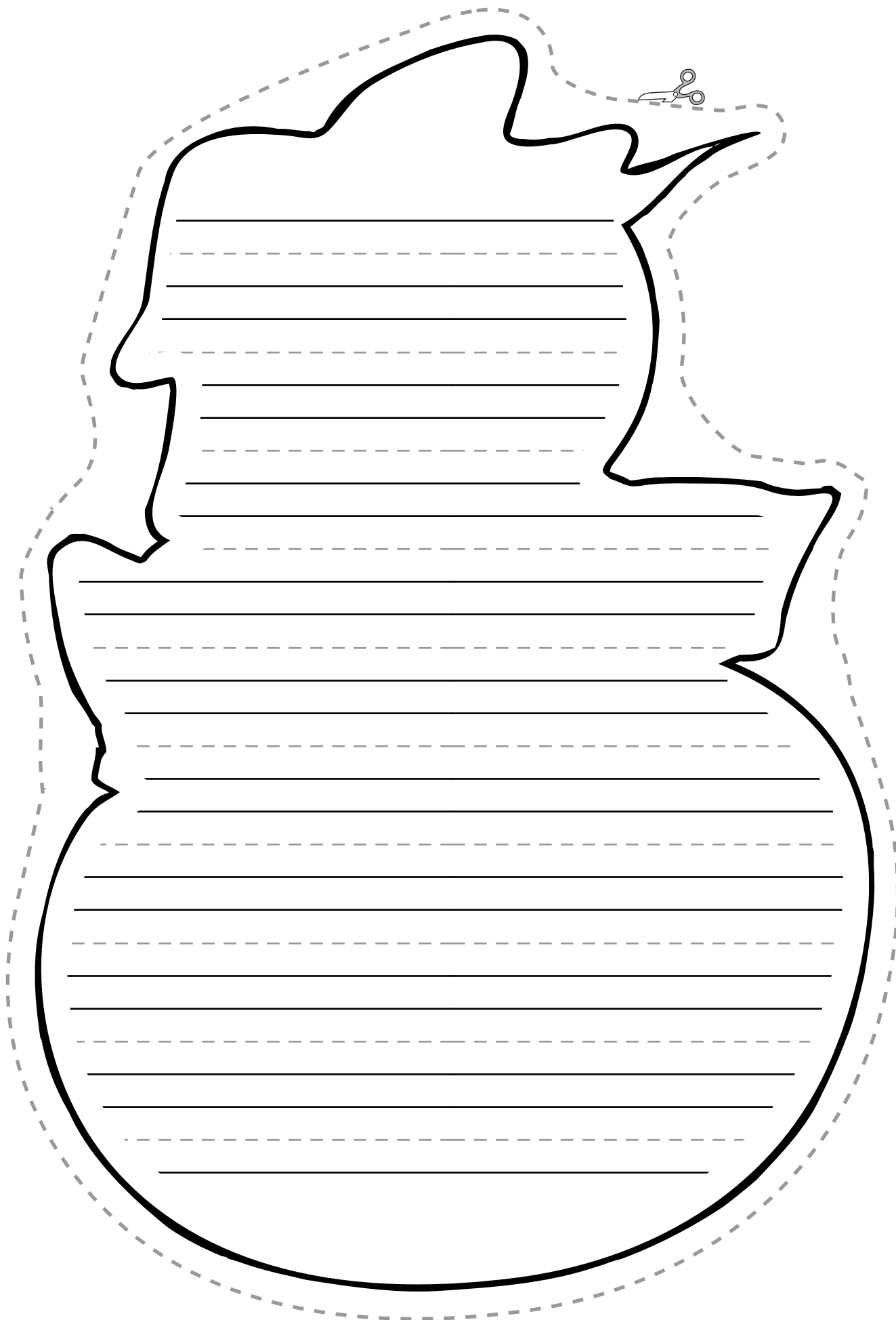
- **The Sun Scare**
Students describe problems occurring when the sun comes out, from a snowman's point of view.
- **The Most Unusual Snowman**
Students write a newspaper report featuring a description of the most unusual snowman in the local snowman contest.

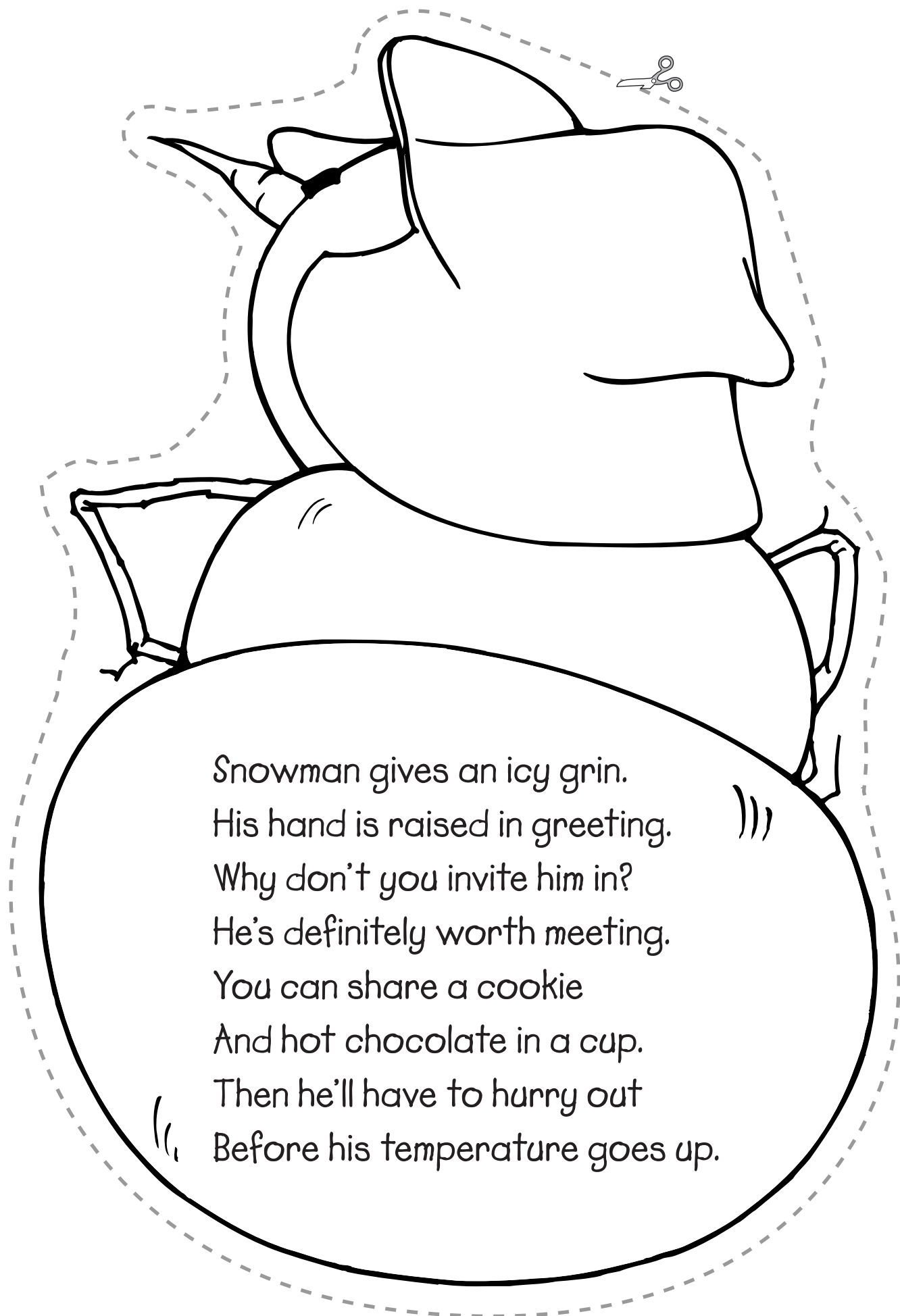




Name _____







Snowman gives an icy grin.
His hand is raised in greeting.)))
Why don't you invite him in?
He's definitely worth meeting.
You can share a cookie
And hot chocolate in a cup.
((Then he'll have to hurry out
Before his temperature goes up.