Part 1

Tom is at the Reading Club. His teacher, Ms Wong, is reading a poem to the club members.

You now have 30 seconds to read this part. (30-second music)

Now, listen to the poem. The poem will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and complete all answers the second time. The poem will begin now.

Ms Wong:

A Quiet Moment

A cool, gentle breeze
Blows through the trees
The warmth of summer
Too soon rather than later
Gives way to the chilly autumn.

The moon glows silently
As tiny creatures move quietly,
Over a carpet of reddish, yellow leaves,
Searching under the trees.
“Oh, how peaceful it is!” I say.

Time seems to stand still as I
Gaze at the twinkling sky
And listen to the soft rustling of leaves
Like whispers all around me.
Slowly, gently… pleasantly, I drift away.

Narrator: Now, listen to the poem for the second time and answer the following questions. When you hear a beep (beep), answer the question. The poem will begin now.

Listen to stanza 1 and answer Question 1.

Ms Wong: REPEAT A Quiet Moment

Question 1
What season do you think it is?
(beep) (8-second pause)

Listen to stanza 2 and answer Questions 2 and 3.

Ms Wong: REPEAT The moon glows silently

Question 2
What time of the day is it?
(beep) (8-second pause)

Question 3
Where are the tiny creatures moving?
(beep) (8-second pause)

Listen to stanza 3 and answer Questions 4 to 6.

Ms Wong: REPEAT Time seems to stand still as I

Question 4

Question 5

Question 6
Narrator: Question 4
What does the writer see in the sky?
(beep) (8-second pause)
Question 5
What sounds does the writer hear?
(beep) (8-second pause)
Question 6
According to the last line: ‘Slowly, gently… pleasantly, I drift away.’, what is the writer going to do?
(beep) (8-second pause)

Narrator: Question 7
‘I’ and ‘sky’ are two words that rhyme. Listen to stanza 1 again and find one word that rhymes with ‘breeze’.

Ms Wong: REPEAT Ø[ ]Ø
Narrator: (beep) (8-second pause)
This is the end of Part 1. (5-second pause)