

**Snapshot Response to
“Boom Town”
by Sonia Levitin**

1. This Selection Snapshot is fiction, but it could have happened. How might it be changed to make it a fantasy?

Possible response: The family could have settled on the moon instead of in California.

2. What do you know or have you read about starting a business? How did that help you as you read the Snapshot?

People start businesses to sell things other people want. That helped me predict that other people in town would also want to start businesses.

3. If Amanda were older, she might be elected mayor of Boom Town. Write some sentences that tell why she would be good at this job. Use some of the boldface words from the Snapshot.

Possible response: Amanda would be a great mayor. She took a *skillet*, baked a pie in it, was paid some *coins* for it, and soon started a *business*. She told a man who came to town to start his own *laundry*. She told a cowboy he should open a stable. Amanda turned her town into a *boom* town.