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Accept any of: sightings, observations, viewings, seen, observed.



2. Where was the sleigh first spotted?
Accept: Scotland



3. Why has the author described the reports as 'flooding in'?
Accept: answers that refer to the speed at which the reports were coming in or the vast quantity of reports.



4. Why do you think that so many images were taken of the event?
Accept an explanation that focuses on the fact that the sky was clear, that visibility was very good due to the lack of clouds or the full moon, the event was so exciting or that people would find it easier now to take photos using their phones/ more people have access to a camera.