

A close-up photograph of a red fox sitting in a snowy environment. The fox's eyes are closed, and its fur is a mix of orange-red and white. The background is a soft, out-of-focus white snow. A white rectangular box is centered over the fox's chest, containing the text "The Fox" in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

The Fox

Tasks based on 'The Fox'



Starter

The fox shifted his weight onto his right paw, pushing back against nature, fighting to remain upright despite the bitterly cold gust that threatened to topple him.

Snowflakes and chips of ice whipped across his face, stinging his eyes, and the howling words of winter filled his ever-alert ears. The fox wasn't worried though: he had seen harsher winters than this.

His soft, thick coat glowed a majestic shade of orange, like the rising sun on a midwinter's morning. Its contrast to the pale purity of the surrounding snow was startling.

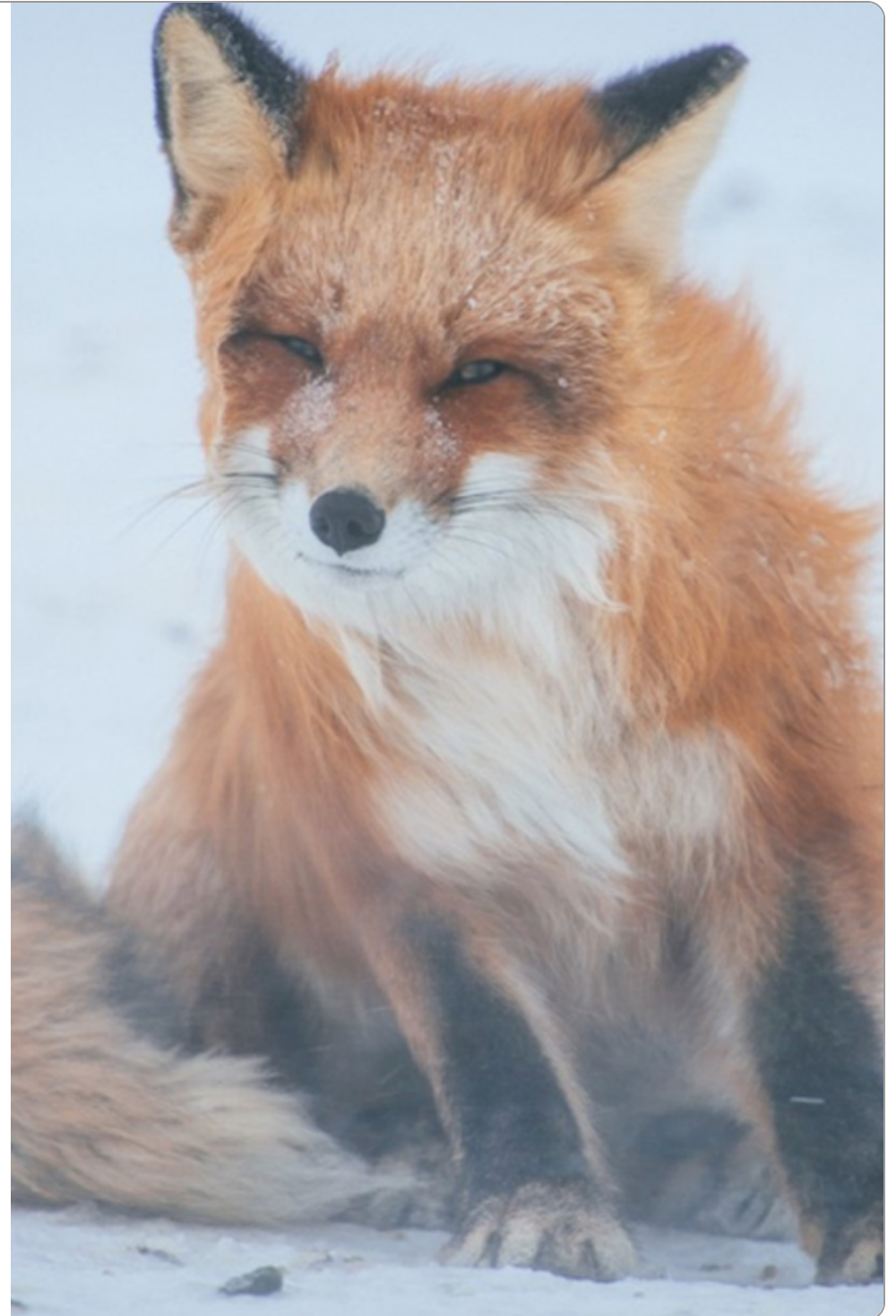
'Crack...' Fox heard the sound of a twig snapping in the undergrowth to his left. 'Crack...' he could hear the sound again, more faintly this time, just above the whistle of the wind.

Something moved. He froze...

Continue the story.

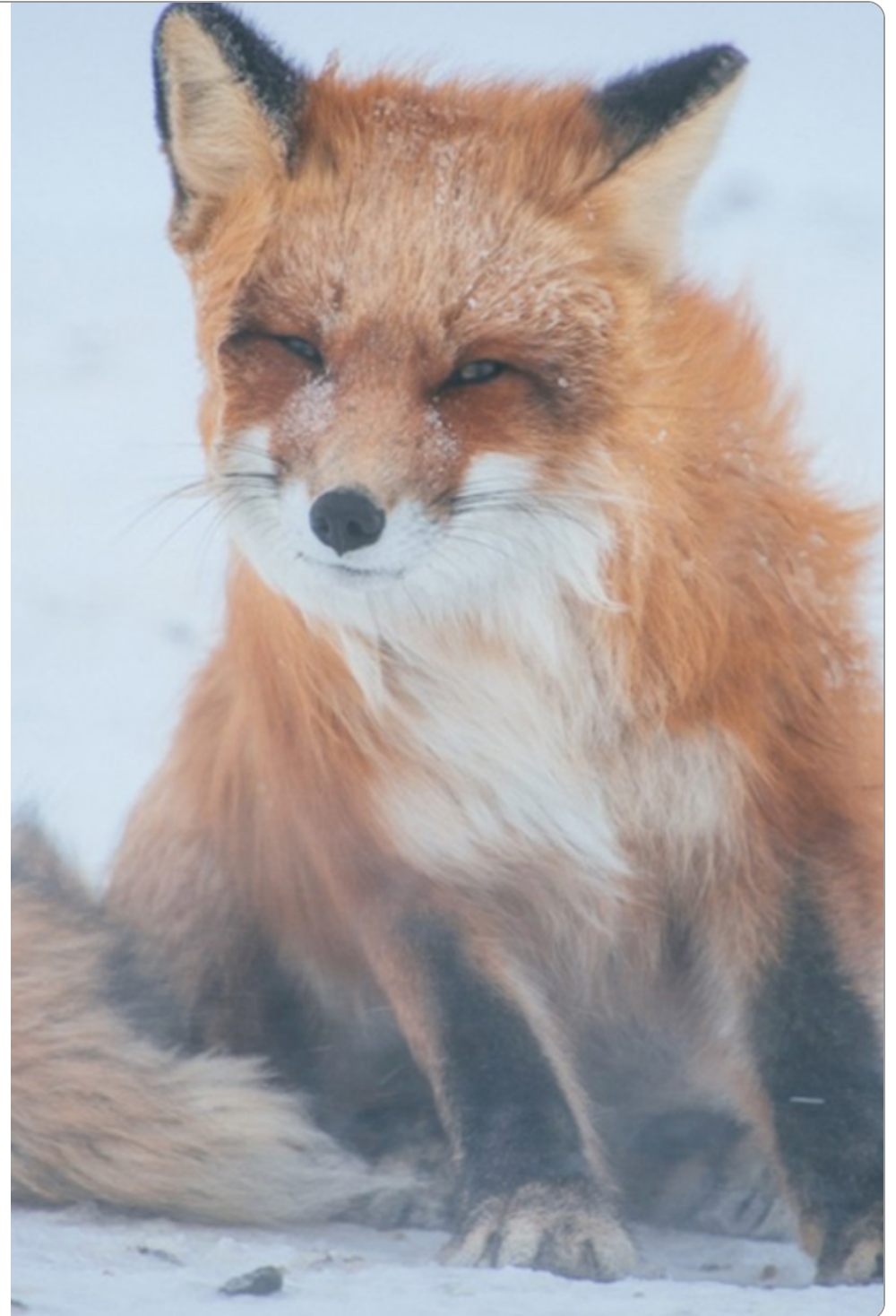
OR

Write a character description of the fox, using adventurous vocabulary to describe its appearance, personality/habits and back story.



Question time

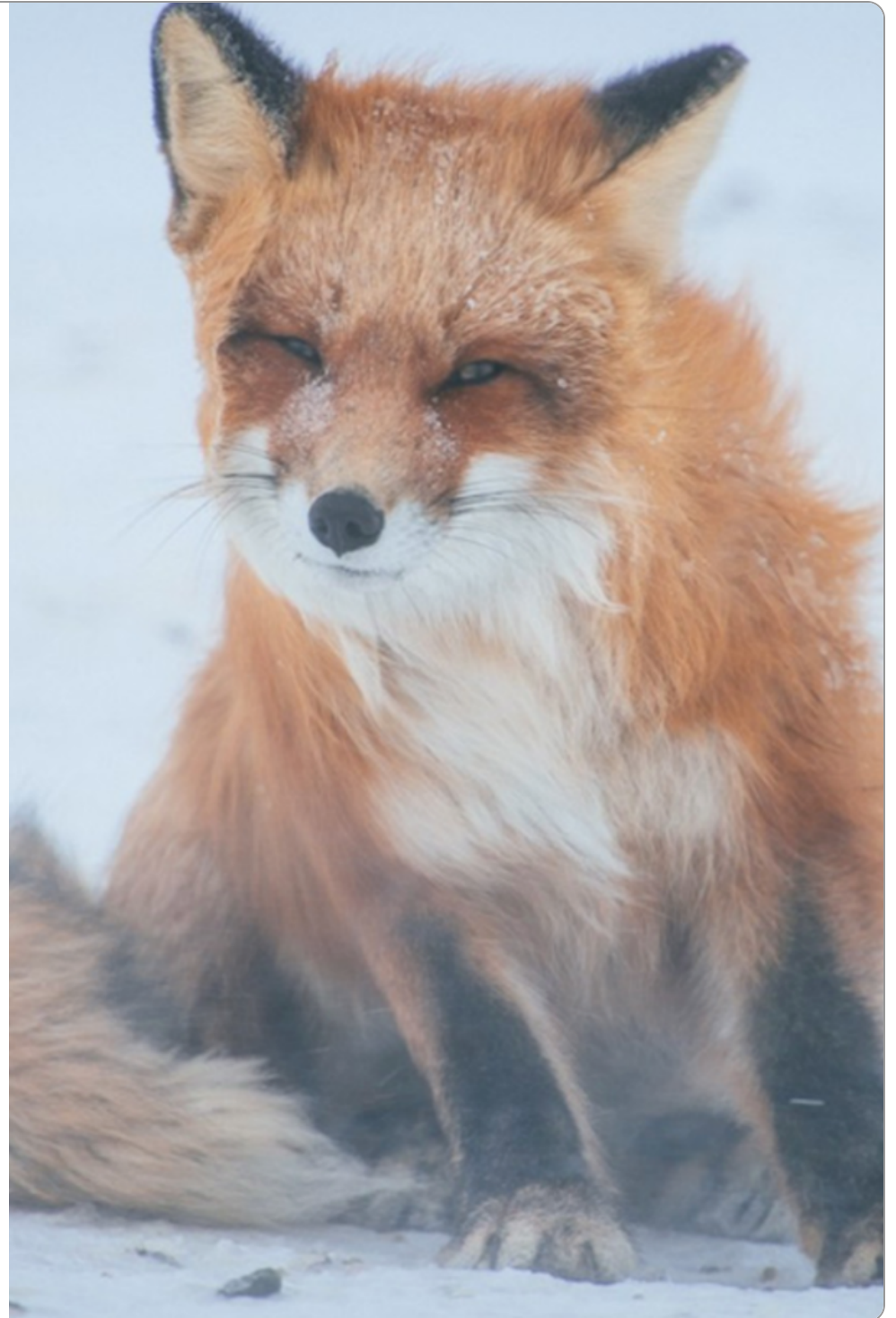
- How do you think the fox is feeling?
- Which types of weather do you think foxes are comfortable in?
- Where do foxes live? Why do some foxes live in cities?
- What do you think the expressions 'as cunning as a fox' or 'as sly as a fox' mean? What do they tell you about foxes?
- What is the difference between a predator and a scavenger? Which is the fox?



Sentence challenge

These sentences are 'sick' and need help to get better. Please help.

The wind was blowing. There was a fox standing in the snow. It had whiskers and fur.



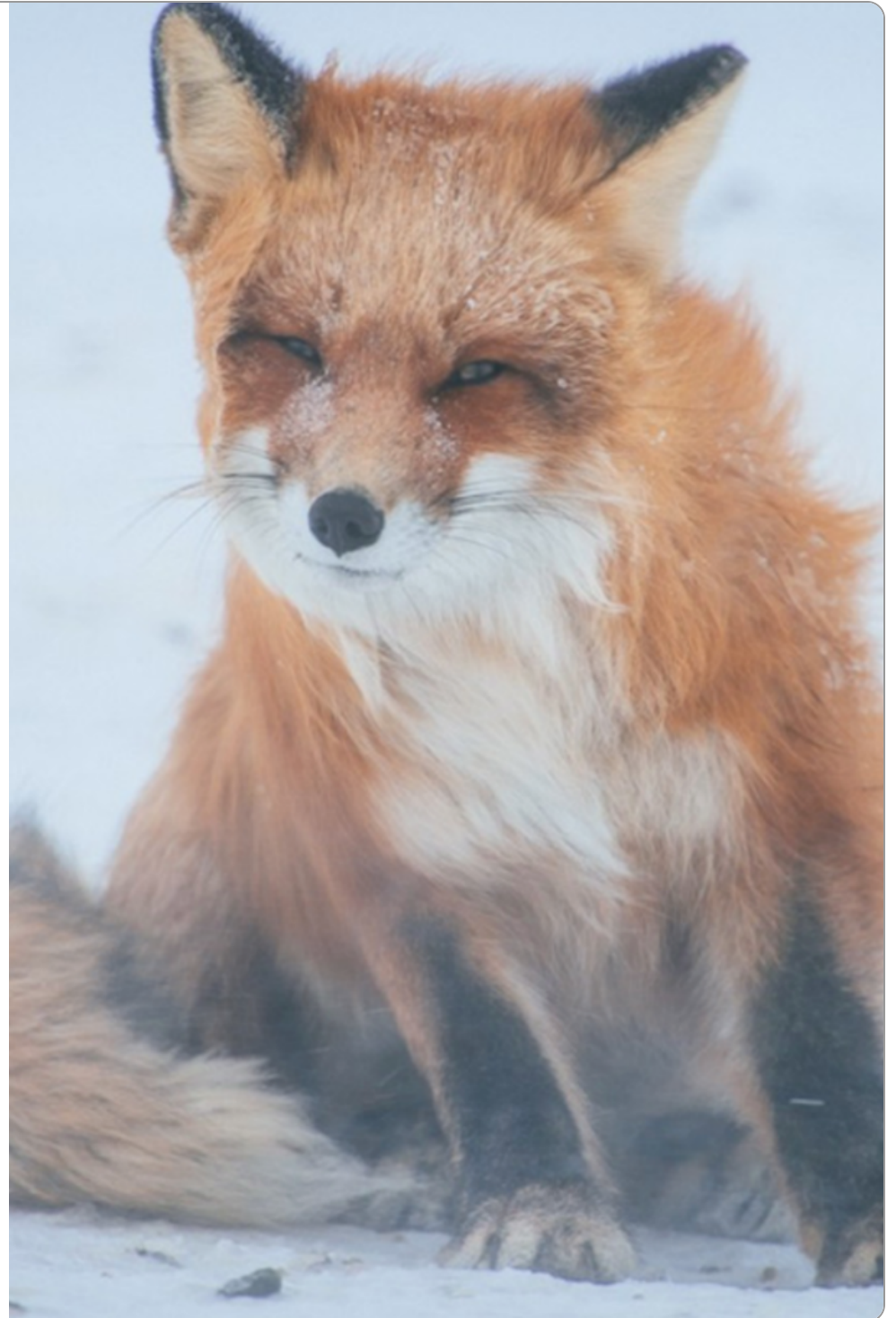
Grammar/punctuation challenge

Sentences can start in a variety of ways. One way is to start with an adverb.

For example:

Sneakily, the fox crept through the forest.

Write your own paragraph of writing, making sure at least one of your sentences starts with an adverb.

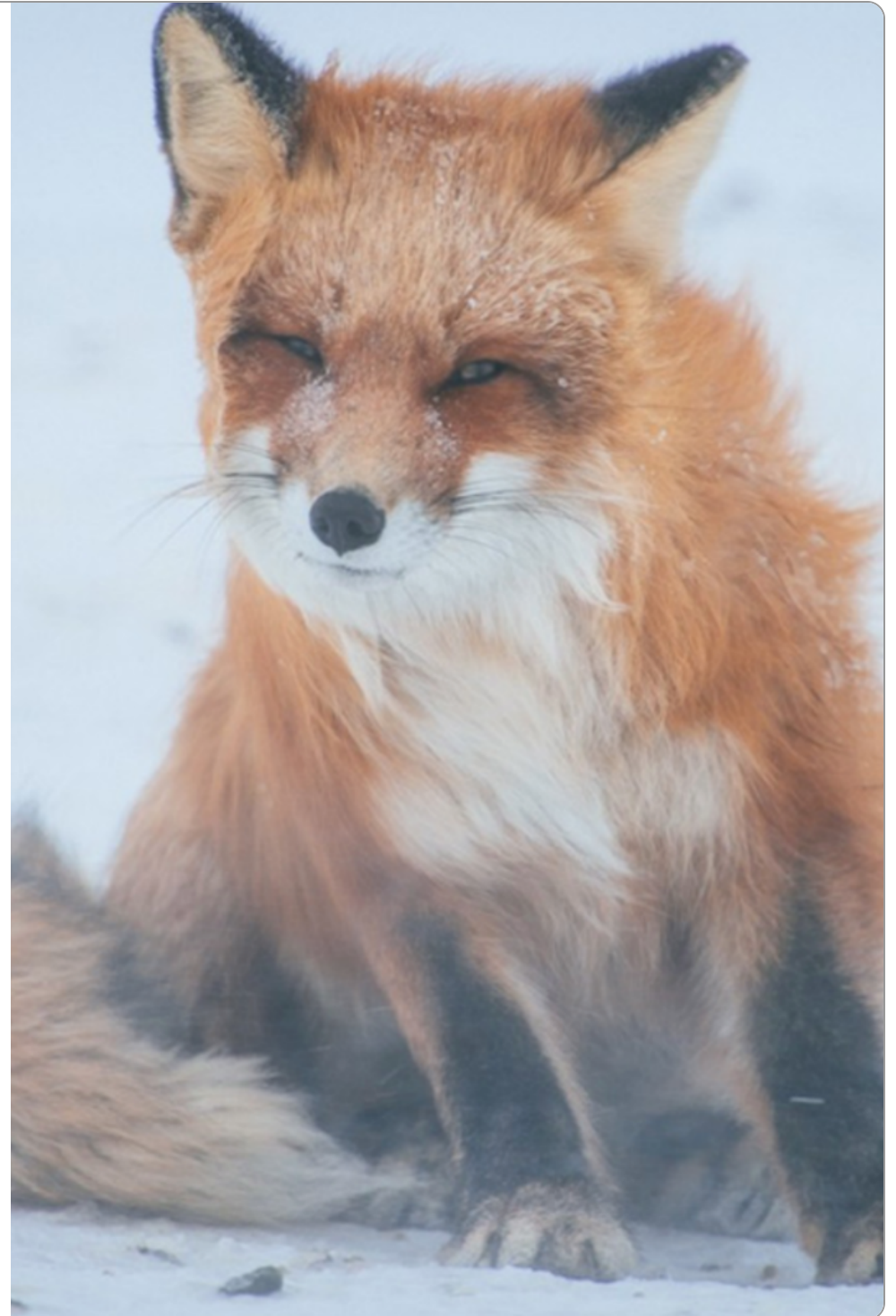


Picture it

Imagine you can see all around the fox.

For example, is the fox in a town or in a field?

Draw and describe its surroundings.



Thank you

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