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<u>a fancy knot</u>

3. Slow down so you don't <u>tire</u> yourself out.

wear out; become tired

4. Jennifer's bicycle has a flat <u>tire</u>.

rubber wheel filled with air

5. The <u>wind</u> blew the napkins off the table.

moving air

6. Grandpa will wind up the toy robot.

to turn a key, which gives power or energy to a mechanical device, such as a toy or clock