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Guided Reading Questions and Activities

Chapter 13: 'Bunce's Giant Storehouse'

A

1. Can you think of another word for 'pace'?
2. Describe (in your own words) Bunce's storehouse.
3. Why do the animals want to get to another storehouse?
4. Why did the animals take carrots?

Challenge: If you could ask Badger 3 questions, what would they be?

B

1. Why did Mr. Fox order the animals to stop grabbing the food?
2. How did the animals react to this?
3. What words tell us that this food is very good food?
4. Why is what Mr. Fox says important?

Challenge: Using the Internet or classroom books, can you find out more about foxes?

C

1. Why did the author use the phrase 'painful subject' to describe how Mr. Fox lost his tail?
2. What do you think the other characters show about Mr. Fox?
3. What do phrases such as 'My darlings' show about Mr. Foxes relationship with his children?
4. Why has the author chosen for Mr. Fox to continue his hunting at the end of each chapter?

Challenge: Should the animals have a feast or take what they need? Think about both arguments.

D

1. Which chapter so far do you think has been best at showing who Mr. Fox really is? Explain your answer.

Challenge: Stealing is never okay. True or false? Explain your answer.

Answers

A

- Can you think of another word for 'pace'?
Speed (accept other suitable synonyms.)
- Describe (in your own words) Bunce's storehouse.
Accept suitable descriptions of Bunce's storehouse.
- Why do the animals want to get to another storehouse?
The animals want to get to another storehouse because they are hungry/ they want to annoy the farmers.
- Why did the animals take carrots?
The animals took the carrots to give to the rabbits.

Challenge: If you could ask Badger 3 questions, what would they be?
Questions will vary.

B

- Why did Mr Fox order the animals to stop grabbing the food?
Mr Fox ordered the animals to stop grabbing the food because he wanted to choose what they were taking.
- How did the animals react to this?
The animals reacted to this by watching and listening.
- What words tell us that this food is very good food?
The words finest, fattest, good grub, and biggest tell us this was very good food.
- Why is what Mr Fox says important?
What Mr Fox says is important because they did not want their plans discovered.

Challenge: Using the internet or classroom books, can you find out more about foxes?
Research will vary.

C

- Why did the author use the phrase 'painful subject' to describe how Mr Fox lost his tail?
The author used the phrase 'painful subject' to describe how Mr Fox lost his tail because it brought back bad memories for him.

2. What do you think the other characters show about Mr Fox?

The other characters show Mr Fox as a leader.

3. What do phrases such as 'My darlings' show about Mr Foxes relationship with his children?

Phrases such as 'my darlings' show Mr Fox has a very loving relationship with his children and cares about them deeply.

4. Why has the author chosen for Mr Fox to continue his hunting at the end of each chapter?

The author has chosen for Mr Fox to continue his hunting at the end of the chapter so that the reader wants to find out what happens next.

Challenge: Should the animals have a feast have a feast or take what they need? Think about both arguments.

Arguments will vary but must have some justification.

D

1. Which chapter so far do you think has been best at showing who Mr Fox really is? Explain your answer.

Answers will vary depending on opinions but must have an explanation.

Challenge: Stealing is never okay. True or false? Explain your answer.

Answers will vary.