



Comprehension questions

THE BFG by Roald Dahl

1. What is a dormitory? (1 mark)
2. Why may the author have chosen to describe the moonbeam as being 'like a silver blade slicing through the room'? (1 mark)
3. What was the first thing Sophie did when she got out of bed? (1 mark)
4. How do you think Sophie felt when she first got out of bed? Give reasons that support your answer. (2 marks)
5. How do you think Sophie felt when she saw 'something coming up the street'? Give reasons to support your answer. (2 marks)
6. Why did Sophie think that the thing coming up the street wasn't human? (2 marks)
7. Why has the author chosen to write some words, e.g. PERSON, VERY LONG THIN TRUMPET and LARGE SUITCASE in capital letters? (1 mark)
8. The author describes the giant as having a nose 'as sharp as a knife'. What do you think that means? (1 mark)
9. What sort of person do you think Sophie is? Give examples from the text to support your answer. (3 marks)
10. What do you think will happen next in the story? (3 marks)