

# Reading Questions: Prompt Sheet

## Reading Questions and Answers

**p.12-13 What is the pale, round thing Hal has found?**

- Example answer: I think it is the Moon.

**p.12-13 Why does Hal think it looks like a cheese?**

- Example answer: I think Hal thinks it looks like cheese because some cheeses have holes and dimples that look like the craters on the Moon. Sometimes people say the Moon is made of cheese.

**p.13 What are craters? How can we find out?**

- Example answer: I think craters are like holes in the Moon. We could look in a non-fiction book about the Moon and planets.

**p.15 What do you think Hal will find next?**

- Example answer: I think Hal will find a planet next.

**p.16-17 How does the author describe the stars?**

- Example answer: The author says the stars 'sparkle and dazzle; they glow with white light.'

**Why do you think they chose these words?**

- Example answer: I think the author chose these words to show how beautiful the stars are.

**What does the word 'dazzle' mean? How can we find out?**

- Example answer: I think dazzle means to be bright and shiny. To find out, we could look in a dictionary.

**p.20-21 What is the vast, red shape?**

- Example answer: I think it is a planet. I think it is Mars.

**p.22-23 How do you think Hal is feeling after finding two things in space, but not the Sun?**

- Example answer: I think he is feeling a bit disappointed.

**Will he give up looking for the Sun? How do you know?**

- Example answer: I think Hal will keep looking for the Sun because he says, 'it's a difficult test; But if I have tried then I've given my best.'

**Are there any repeating parts in this story? What are they?**

- Example answer: Yes, there are repeating parts:
- "“We must find the Sun!” Hal commands with a jump, Before we go straight back to Earth with a bump!"

## Deeper Reading

**Why do you think Hal won't give up on finding the Sun? Why do you think it is important to him?**

- Example Answer: I think Hal won't give up on finding the Sun because he is a boy who always tries his best. I think this because of the things he says in the story like, "I must keep trying." I think it is important to him, because he has been given a special mission and he doesn't want to let people down.

