Reading Questions: Prompt Sheet

George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl

Reading Questions and Answers

How do you think George was feeling at the beginning of 'The Marvellous Plan'? Why?

• Example answer: George was feeling desperate at the beginning of this chapter because he was so fed up of his grandma. He was even shaking because he hated her so much and wanted to escape her meanness.

What did George decide to do in 'The Marvellous Plan'? Can you summarise what happened?

• Example answer: He decides to be brave and make a new medicine for her.

Why did George decide to make the new medicine? What was he planning to do?

• Example answer: George wants to make Grandma nice after her medicine, rather than just mean as she was before.

How do you think he felt about making the new medicine?

• Example answer: George seems to be happy, jumping about and singing a song or making a spell at the end of the chapter.

Where did George go to find his medicine ingredients?

• Example answer: George scoured the house for his medicine ingredients, starting in the bathroom.

Can you list some of the things George found to put into the medicine?

• Example answer: George put shampoo, face cream, toothpaste and many other ingredients in his medicine.

Which sentence at the end of this chapter told you that George was looking forward to giving the medicine?

• Example answer: 'I won't, Grandma, I won't,' promises George, as she suggests that he may forget to give her medicine.

Deeper Reading

Why do you think George had such a ruthless attitude to making medicine?

• Grandma had gone out of her way to be mean and unpleasant to George. He knew she could be normal because she saved her bad behaviour for when Mr and Mrs Kranky were busy. He is extremely angry with her before he comes up with the medicine plan.

Describe George's relationship with his grandma.

• They have a difficult relationship because she is so unpleasant to him and he is very lonely, even in her company.