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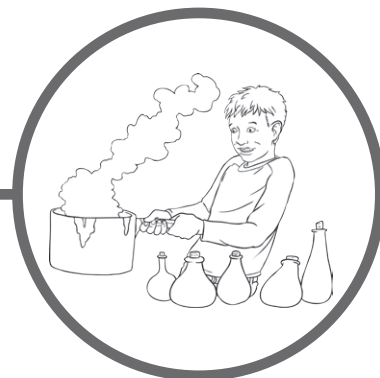
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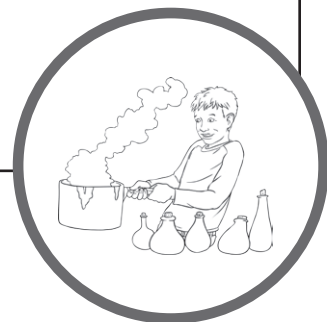
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### Challenge Task

Write a letter of apology from George to his parents, anticipating their anger and shock.



# Comprehension Answers

## Part A

1. At what time does Grandma have her medicine?
  - *Grandma has her medicine at 11 o'clock.*
2. Describe Grandma's teeth.
  - *Grandma's teeth are disgusting and brown.*
3. What is the first effect of the medicine on Grandma?
  - *At first Grandma whooshes into the air and feels like she is on fire.*
4. What happens to Grandma after she cools down?
  - *Grandma starts to swell and bulge, then shrinks back to her normal self.*
5. How long has it been since Grandma has been outside?
  - *It has been 20 years since Grandma has been outside.*
6. If you had the choice to give your grandparent or elderly relative some Marvellous Medicine, would you do it? Explain your answer.
  - *Example answer: I would not give my grandma this medicine because she is really kind to me. She bakes me cakes and makes me laugh all the time, so I would be worried about hurting her or making her very ill. If I knew that the medicine was safe but fun, my grandma probably would like to take some - she has a good sense of humour!*

# Comprehension Answers

## Part B

1. How does the author show that George is excited about giving Grandma her medicine?
  - *The author shows George watching Grandma carefully after she has the medicine. He pours the medicine slowly which suggests that he is savouring every moment of giving Grandma the medicine to her. George is also described as crying out in excitement as he tips the spoon into her mouth.*
2. On p.41 George demonstrates that he is worried. How does he show this?
  - *George runs to the kitchen to get water for his grandma.*
3. Why is George worried about his dad's painting and decorating?
  - *Grandma is shooting quickly towards the roof, so George worries that she will ruin Mr Kranky's decorating if she breaks through the ceiling.*
4. Why does George give Grandma a second dose of this medicine?
  - *He gives her a second dose because she wants some more, and he couldn't think of a reason not to.*
5. Explain how you know that George has some regrets at the end of the chapter.
  - *George starts to realise that he is to blame for the terrible damage to the house and to his grandma. He knows that he is likely to get into a lot of trouble over the mess.*

### Challenge Task

Write a letter of apology from George to his parents, anticipating their anger and shock.

*Dear Mum and Dad,*

*I am so, so, sorry. This is all my fault.*

*I will clear up the mess and I will find a job to pay for the repair of damages. It seemed like a good idea to change Grandma's medicine because she seems so grumpy all the time, but now I wonder whether it was a wise thing to do. It had the most extraordinary effect on her, and Grandma is much happier in the fresh air, but I am worried about where we can keep her now she is so big. Please could you help me to repair the damage and solve these problems? You owe me nothing, in fact, if I were you, I probably wouldn't help.*

*Your foolish son, George x x*

