

1. Read through the poem. Use a dictionary to look up any words that you don't understand.
2. Which word which is closest in meaning to 'Yelp'?  
**sing whisper bark speak**
3. Find and copy one word from the poem that means '*splendid*'.
4. What does the phrase '*I'm out-of-doors*' mean in this poem?
5. '*To shoot again – I can't bear that;*' In this line, what is the meaning of the word '*bear*'?
6. Which animal is scared of the fireworks in the poem? Give evidence for your answer.
7. What are the fireworks compared to? Give evidence for your answer.
8. What does the line, '*Let me in-oh, LET ME IN*' suggest about the way the animal is feeling? Explain your answer.
9. Why does the animal think it's been left outside?
10. Who do you think is saying the line, '*(Shall we let him in, children?)*'?
11. What does the animal say he will do as a way of thanking his owner?
12. What do we call words such as 'Bang'? (Clue – it's a long word beginning with O)
13. Why do you think Enid Blyton wrote this poem?