

Prediction

Have a look at the images from the front and back covers of our text this week.
Make some predictions about what you think might happen in the story.

Some questions you could consider:

Where might happen to the monsters if they aren't under the bed?

Do you think the monsters are responsible for the disappearance of the grown-ups?

Where might they have disappeared to?

What could the girl be doing with the torch?



Not all monsters stay under the bed ...

Imagine if one day you woke up and
all the grown-ups had vanished.

Vocabulary

Read the extract and answer the questions below

Match the word to the correct definition. You can then have a go at using each one in a sentence.

silhouette	no knowledge of something that's happening
eerie	dark shape or outline of something visible in a small amount of light
courage	a prickling or stinging sensation
echoed	strange or frightening
unaware	bravery and strength
tingles	when a sound is repeated

Retrieval

Re-read the extract and answer the questions. Remember to look for key words in the question and find them in the text to help you.

1. What caused the pointed silhouettes?
2. What echoed around the hallways of the houses in Whiffington?
3. What were the parents unaware of when they tucked their children into bed?
4. Why did Lucy wake up the unusual sound of her mum's alarm clock?
5. What did Lucy put on when she got out of bed?

Inference

Re read the extract and answer the questions. Remember to use evidence from the text to support your answers.

1. Why do you think the author has compared the silhouettes of the rooftops and the sun to 'a hungry black dog swallowing a ball of flames' (think about the colour of a silhouette and the sun)?
2. Why do you think there weren't any screams or nightmares the night the creaking happened? How does it make you feel as a reader about what is happening?
3. What type of creature do you think the Creakers could be? Explain your answer.
4. What does the author mean when he describes the sunlight as 'creeping'?
5. How do you think Lucy will react when she goes into her mum's bedroom? Use evidence from the text to explain your answer.

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