

The Queen's Nose by Dick King Smith



I can look for clues to make predictions about a text.

Look at the front cover and read the back blurb. What do you think this story is going to be about?

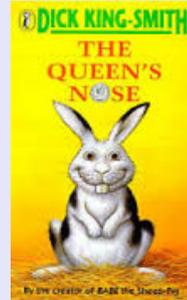
Have you read any other books by Dick King Smith? What type of books is he known for writing? Read the first page for more information.

What do you think of the title of the book? Why do you think it is called this?

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Read pages 1 to 7.

Metalingustics: barnacled p1
retreat p2
elongated p3
burrowed p6
ferocity p7



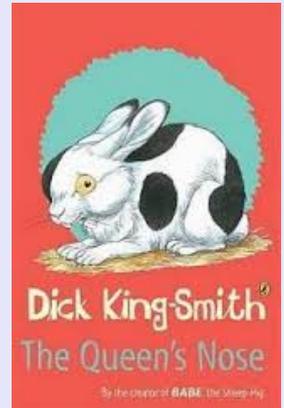
I can understand inference.

1. What does it mean on p2 when it says "She looked as though she wouldn't say 'Boo!' to a goose."?
2. Explain who Rex Ruff Monty is.
3. What is unusual about the names of the 2 girls?
4. Mr Parker refers to Harmony as "your younger daughter"? What does he mean by this?

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I can use visualisation.

Read pages 8 to 17.



Harmony likes to compare people to animals. Choose 2 people and draw a picture to show how Harmony sees them. Label the picture explaining why Harmony has chose these images.

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I can understand inference.

Read pages 17 to 26.

1. What does it mean on page 21 when it says "Her heart suddenly felt as someone had squeezed it."
2. Why was Harmony disappointed when she was given money? Why did she think it was 'impersonal'?
3. What do you think Uncle Ginger meant when he said "There are lots of good things in small parcels."?

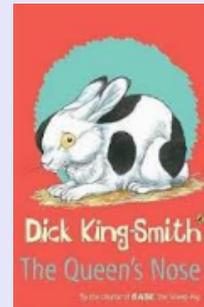
Visual Images

Choose one of the descriptions of Harmony's face and draw it.

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Read pages 26 to 32.

Metalingustics: p27 cattily
 p28 methodical
 p28 slapdash
 p29 doggedly
 p30 agonized



I can create a character profile.

Think of all the things we know about Harmony. Use this to create a character profile. Include personality, appearance and likes/dislikes.

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Read pages p33 to p39.



I can find information from the text.

Read the riddle carefully. Copy it into your jotter. For each part of the riddle explain what it means, what Harmony thinks it means.

Read carefully to figure how Harmony make the connections.

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Read pages 39 to 49

I can discuss the author's use of language.

1. Why did Harmony think she was having fish fingers for lunch?
2. What does it mean to 'pick someone's brain'? P44
3. On p48 the author says "A great sunburst of light shone through the mists of ignorance'. Can you explain what this means? You can draw a picture to help with your explanation.

Metalingustics - P48 discretion
P46 prominent

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I can explain inference.



Read pages 50-57.

1. On page 51 Harmony made a joke. Can you explain this joke? Why did Harmony find it funny?
2. On page 52 it says 'the newt handed over his burden.' Can you explain what this means?
3. Why is Harmony going to have to be careful from now on?

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Read pages 58 to 63.

I can write a summary.

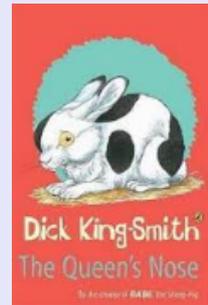


Identify the main points of the story so far. Use this information to write a summary of the story so far.

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Read p 64 -70.

I can find evidence from the text.



1. What actions did Harmony take to ensure her parents noticed the watch? Did her parents notice? What does this tell you about them?
2. Why was Melody screaming in page 65? Give evidence for your answer.
3. On page 66 it says Harmony moved 'more Indian than cowboy.' What is the author trying to tell us?
4. How do you think Harmony felt when her Mum asked for her 50p?

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I can predict events.

Before reading:

Harmony makes a new wish for a new bike.

How is the coin going to make it happen? Create a story to tell how Harmony is going to get a new bike?

Now read pages 70 to 81.

How did Harmony get the bike in the end?

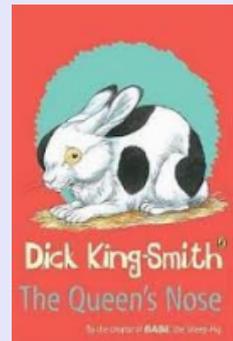
What do you think the salesman thought of Harmony when she first went in?

Was Harmony surprised to get the bike for free?

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Read Chapter 6.

I can create a step plan.

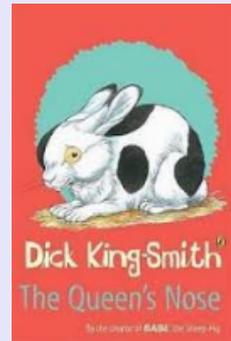


Create a step plan to show the events which took place in the shop and afterwards.

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Read pages 93 to the top of p99.

I can discuss inference.



1. Why do you think Harmony has not used the coin again?
2. Why do you think Mrs Parker changed her mind about getting Harmony a dress?
3. Discuss why on p97 it said "Thousand of viewers were doubtless adjusting the colour of their sets."
4. What do you think Harmony is going to do next?

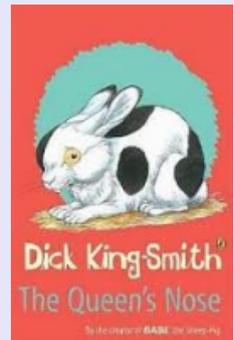
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Read pages 99 to 107.

Metalingustics: p100 pasturing
p100 solemn

I can identify main ideas from the text.

1. What do you notice about the description of Mum and Dad eating on p101?
2. Why do you think Harmony had to be careful about the wording of her latest wish? What could go wrong?
3. If you had the magic coin, what would you wish for and why?



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Read pages 108 to 113.

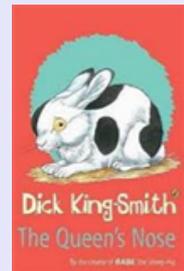


I can show my understanding of the text by identifying key points.

1. Why do the children in school call Harmony 'Nosey Parker'?
2. Why does Dad say "Your youngest daughter," on page 111?
3. Why do you think the Queen's face looks sad? Is this a sensible wish? What do you think will happen to make this come true?

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Read pages 113 to 118.



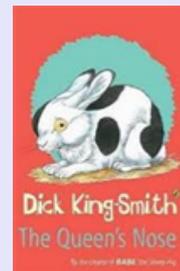
Metalingustics: liberty p118
 anxiety p118
 twilit p115

I can identify key points in the text.

1. Harmony makes key mistakes in these pages. Can you identify the 2 main mistakes that have important consequences? What are these consequences?
2. Do you think Harmony has any idea how the wish is going to come true? Give evidence.

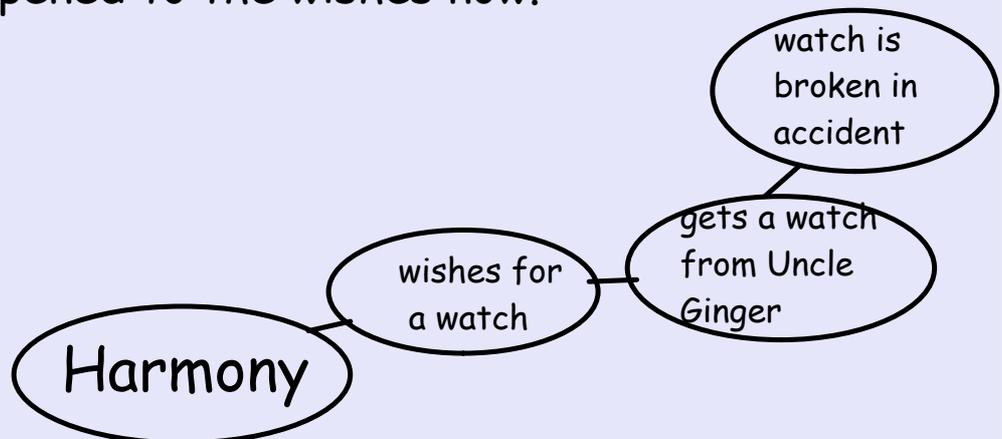
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Read pages 119- 125.



I can use a web plan.

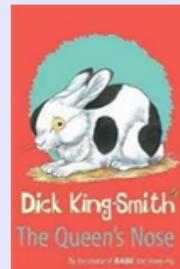
Create a web plan to show all the wishes Harmony has made. From there show how the wishes came true. What has happened to the wishes now.



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Read pages 125 to 129.

I can write a summary.



Harmony's relationship with her family has changed since the accident. Can you write a brief summary describing Harmony's relationship with her family before the accident and how it has changed now.

Discuss:

Why do you think the paragraph about the postman is written in italics?

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Read pages 129 to 132.



I can show my understanding of the text.

1. How does Harmony know there is something going on?
2. What has Harmony realised about her Dad since the accident?
3. What do you think Harmony is going to do next?
4. Why might she not be in time?

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Read pages 133 to 139.

Metalingustics: pliable p134
cusp p134
bulk p135
laborious p138

A number of similes and figures of speech are used in this chapter. Can you explain the meaning of:

1. Patience is a virtue p135
2. Turned the corner p137
3. As though it were a poisonous snake. p135

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Read pages 140 to 146.

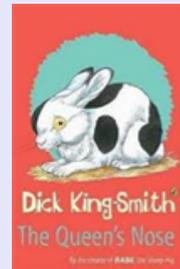


I can see things from a character's point of view.

Imagine you are Harmony. Use what you know about her, her family and her house. Write a persuasive letter to Dad asking for a dog. Include things that have happened in the book to help you.

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Read Chapter 11



I can show my understanding of the character.

In Chapter 11 Harmony mentions that the Queen's nose had caused so many changes in her life.

1) What do you think the most important change for Harmony has been? What will have effected her life the most?

2) Why do you think Harmony threw the coin away? Justify your answer.

3. Did you enjoy this book? Give reasons to support you response.