Short-burst year 4 comprehension

Questions

Pre-reading work

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pleasure

remarkable

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natural

extraordinary

interest

thinking

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Skimming and scanning for information

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The rabbit-hole went straight on like a tunnel for some way, and then dipped suddenly down.

Summarise Summarise the text in less than 15 words. 1. What is the weather like? (1 mark) cold warm cool hot 2. What is the girl considering doing? (1 mark) making a daisy-chain making a fan making a bracelet making a basket 3. What colour eyes did the rabbit have? (1 mark) blue black



pink

white

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Alice sees a talking rabbit and decides to follow it down a rabbit hole.

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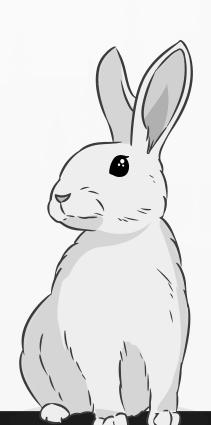
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☐ blue

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4. Why is Alice's initial reaction to seeing the rabbit surprising? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 marks)

Alice doesn't think that seeing a white rabbit running past her is strange. In the text, it says that the rabbit speaks to itself and it 'all seemed quite natural'. This is surprising as rabbits cannot talk and so the reader would expect Alice to be surprised but she isn't at all.

5. What caused Alice to follow the rabbit? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 marks)

Alice decided to follow the rabbit when she saw it take a watch out of its waistcoat—pocket and look at it. She realised that she had never seen this before and so it made her feel curious and want to follow it.

- 6. Place these events in chronological order using the numbers 1 6.
 - 3 Alice wasn't surprised to see the rabbit to start with.
 - 5 The rabbit took a watch out of its waistcoat-pocket.
 - 6 Alice went down the rabbit-hole.
 - (2) A white rabbit ran close by to her.
 - 1 Alice was considering whether to get up to pick daisies.
 - 4 The rabbit said he will be late.

