

'Here Comes Charlie' Comprehension

Use the text to help you answer the questions below.



If you see a light bulb next to the question, you will need to think about your own thoughts or opinions, based on what you have read.

1. How many grown-ups are in Charlie's family?

6

2. Give three synonyms for the word 'small' that Dahl could have used to describe the house?

- E.g. tiny, titchy, minute,

3. What is the problem with Mr. Bucket's job?

It didn't pay him very much money.

4. Which vegetable is the main part of Charlie's meals?

Cabbage



5. Why does Charlie's mouth 'water' when he sees the chocolate in the shop windows? How does that make you feel as the reader feel?

It watered because he longed for a chocolate bar and because he also had such an empty feeling in his tummy from not having enough food. It makes the reader feel sorry for Charlie as it highlights how hungry he is and how much he desires the chocolate.

6. How do the family afford Charlie's birthday present each year?

All the grown-ups saved up their money.

7. What does the word 'expose' mean?

To show something



8. What is 'in sight' of Charlie's house? How do you think that makes the family feel?

The chocolate factory - this must make the family feel even hungrier as the smell from the factory would reach them in their house. It would also remind them of the food that they could have, if they had the money.



9. Which two adjectives does Dahl use to describe how amazing the factory is?

- Tremendous

- Marvellous

10. Why does Charlie walk past the factory slowly?

So that he could take long, deep sniffs of the gorgeous chocolatey smell.

