Year 4 Reading Skills Test 1

# R8c. Chooses skilful questions to improve their understanding of the text

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Deep in the darkest part of the forest lived a notorious creature called Tink. The stories about Tink became wilder and wilder as time passed. Everyone avoided that part of the forest, well…almost everyone. Aidan was curious; he deliberately went in search of Tink. After a long journey into the forest, he finally stepped through the thick vegetation into an almost pitch-black clearing. Aidan hesitated for a moment. Maybe this was not such a good idea. Tink, who was covered in rotting leaves, emerged from the shadows.

1. Read the extract above. Write a **skilful question** to ask about the text that will improve your **understanding** of it.

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1. What **possible outcomes** can you predict from this meeting?

Explain if this is a skilful question and your reason why.

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1. Write a skilful question relating to the mood and atmosphere of the extract.

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**Test 1 – ANSWERS**

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| **Qu.** | **Answer** |
| **1** | Any appropriate question which goes beyond direct retrieval and will help improve understanding of the text. |
| **2** | Yes, it is a skilful question as it requires you to consider: more than one possibility, make connections with other stories and use information you have already been given. |
| **3** | Any appropriate question which goes beyond direct retrieval and will help improve understanding of the mood and atmosphere. |