

## Quickfire Read



Oak tree field was his favourite because that was where the owl hooted from. There were so many fields on the farm, and hedges and trees - more than he could count - and a river running along the bottom of the valley like a silver ribbon. And beyond the river, high on the horizon, were the rolling hills of the moor. Grandma, who lived in a town, didn't mind the rain and snow as much as the birds that woke her up early every morning or the smell of pigs and cows that James often brought back into the house.

- 1) What did the river look like? (Retrieve)
- 2) Find two things you could you hear from the field. (Retrieve)
- 3) What does the 'rolling hills of the moor' mean? (Understand)
- 4) How do you think James brought the smell of pigs and cows into the house? (Understand)
- 5) Why might living in the countryside be different for Grandma, who is used to living in the city? (Analyse)

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William lived in a wonky little house on the edge of a busy town on the edge of a busier city, but even though the house was small it never really felt that way because only two people lived in it: William and his dad, Bob Trundle. As well as dinosaurs, William loved Christmas, but not half as much as his dad did. Mr Trundle loved Christmas so much that whenever Christmas Day was over he would sob uncontrollably for a whole week, sometimes until the end of January, desperately clinging onto Christmas!

- 1) What word is used to show William's house is crooked? (Retrieve)
- 2) What does 'uncontrollably' mean? (Explain)
- 3) Why didn't the house feel empty? (Retrieve)
- 4) How do you feel when Christmas Day is over? (Apply)
- 5) What two things did William like? (Retrieve)