

# Unit 1: The Librarian

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Mr Smike 'wasn't fond of children' (paragraph 1). Find two phrases in the text which show this.

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2MI2

2 marks

2. What does the word 'hah!' (paragraph 2) tell you about Mr Smike's attitude towards picture books?

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2LFE2

1 mark

3. The author tells us that Mr Smike doesn't like children. Find two other ways she makes him seem an unpleasant character.

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2C5

2 marks

4. (a) Tick the best description of when the story is set:

- In the future
- In the present or recent past
- A long time ago in the past

2C4

2 marks

(b) Give information from the text that helps you to know the answer to 4 (a).

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5. 'With a bit of luck, the Jaunty creature would be back tomorrow.' (paragraph 3). What does the underlined phrase tell us about Mr Smike's view of his colleague?

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2C2

1 mark

6. Look at paragraph 4. Explain why the author started a new paragraph rather than continuing on from the previous paragraph.

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2C7

1 mark

7. Why did the author use brackets in paragraph 4? .....

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2C7

1 mark

8. Why is the word 'that' italicised in the final paragraph? .....

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2C7

2 marks

9. Explain how the writer makes this extract a successful character portrait or not. Support your answer with evidence from the text.

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2TC2

2 marks