

Reading comprehension

When We Got Lost In Dreamland,
by Ross Welford

Read the extract from *When We Got Lost in Dreamland* and then answer the following questions.



Vocabulary

1. 'If this does not work, try holding your breath for a few seconds and then **expelling** it forcefully'

What does the word **expelling** mean here?

2. 'If you do not wake yourself up **deliberately**...'

What does the word **deliberately** mean?

3. 'I'm almost **envious**...'

What does the word **envious** mean?

Retrieval

1. Where were the batteries found?

2. How can you test whether or not you are dreaming?
Give one answer.

3. List the three ways that the dream may be ended.

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4. Where did Seb say the Dreaminators were found?

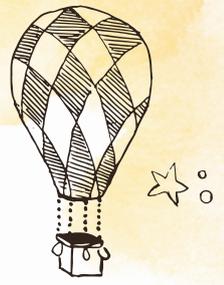
5. What troubled Malky when he was little?

Inference

1. Malky made sure the on / off switch was within reach of his hand. Why?



2. Why might the person not like the dream they are having and want to stop it?



3. Their mum overheard Malky and Seb talking about the Dreaminator. Do you think they wanted her to hear their conversation? Why not?

4. 'What the heck are they?' Mam said this when she saw the Dreaminators. What does this tell us about what she thinks when she first sees them?

5. '...Do they play nursery rhymes?' Mam asks this question about the Dreaminators. Why might she think they play nursery rhymes?

6. 'Remember - perfect results may not be achieved straight away.' What do you think this means?

Exploring the author's choice of language, structure and presentation

1. Why do you think the author chose to call the object a 'Dreaminator'?

2. The author has chosen to use a different font for the section 'How to dream the Dreaminator way!'. Why do you think he has done this?





3. 'What does he make of what?' says Mam, standing in the doorway.' Why do you think the author chose to finish chapter 11 at this point?



4. 'She's being normal Mam again soon enough.' What do you think the author means by this?
