

Ominbombulator

Contents and cover

1. Look at the front cover. What do you think this book is going to be about?
2. How would we find out what the book is about without reading the whole book?
3. Who is the author of this book? (Who wrote it?)

Chapter 1: The naming

1. Why do you think the first chapter is called the naming?
2. What is the Omnibombulator?
3. What was the difference between the omnibombulator and all of his brothers and sisters?
4. What were his parents called?
5. Why did his parents want to give him a really long name?
6. Why did the omnibombulator scratch his head when his Mum asked if he liked the name?

Chapter 2: The big world

1. Why do you think chapter 2 is called the big world?
2. Why do you think woodlice pushed the Omnibombulator out of the way?
3. How do you think the Omnibombulator felt when everybody pushed him out of the way? Use the picture on page 10 to help justify your answer.
4. What do you think the word 'titch' means on page 11?
5. Why do you think the other animals said to the Omnibombulator ' Out of the way, Titch'?
6. On page 16, what do you think the word regret means?
7. What was one of the advantages of the Ominbombulator being so small?
8. On page 20, it says ' As Omnibombulator grew up he became an orphan' what does the word orphan mean?
9. Do you think this story will have a happy ending? Explain your answer

Chapter 3: The journey

1. Why do you think this chapter is called the journey?
2. How many legs does Omnibombulator have?
3. How long did it take the Omnibombulator to get out of the garden and into a country lane?
4. Why did it take him so long?
5. Where did Omnibombulator decide to hide when he was trying to find a safe space to spend the night?
6. How do you think the Omnibombulator felt when he was rudely awakened? What makes you think this?
7. On page 31, what do you think the word 'hastily' means?
8. On page 32, why did Omnibombulator describe the boot as 'prison'?
9. How did Omnibombulator escape from the boot?
10. Do you expect this story to have a happy ending? Justify your answer

Chapter 4: The homecoming

1. Why did the Omnibombulator describe the world as being 'much too dangerous a place' ?
2. Why did the walk home take the Omnibombulator longer than it took the tramp?
3. How do you think he felt when he saw the bird coming towards him? Explain how you know.
4. On page 45, what did the Omnibombulator see to tell him he was not alone in the stones? (Hint: The picture will help you)
5. How did the Omnibombulator feel when he saw the she-beetle?
6. If you had to come up with a name for the she-beetle what name would you give her? Why?
7. Did you enjoy this story? Explain why