

ANSWER BOOKLET

In your reading book 'Fantastic Mr Fox', there are 18 Chapters.

As you read each Chapter, try to answer the questions below.

- Q1. What sort of farmers were the three men?
 - a) Chicken farmer.
 - b) Duck and goose farmer.
 - c) Turkey and apple farmer.

Chapter 2

- Q2. How does the behaviour of Mr Fox make the three farmers feel?
 - a) Wild with rage.
- Q3. How did Mr Fox avoid being caught by the three farmers?
 - a) He always approached a farm with the wind blowing in his face so the farmers could not smell him.

- Q4. When Mr Fox was leaving his hole, what two warning signs did he hear?
 - a) A tiny noise.
 - b) A soft rustling sound.
- Q5. What two warning signs did he see?
 - a) A glint of something bright behind a tree.
 - b) A small speck of moonlight shining on a polished surface.

- Q6. Why did Mr Fox think he could escape, and why?
 - a) A fox can dig quicker than a man.
 - b) Nobody in the world can dig as quick as a fox.
- Q7. Mr Fox gave his family two orders, what were they?
 - a) Go downstairs.
 - b) To dig deep.

Chapter 5

- Q 8. What reasons were given for Mr Bean being deaf?
 - a) He never took a bath.
 - b) His ears were blocked with muck, wax, chewing gum and dead flies.
- Q 9. What machines did the farmers use to get to the foxes?
 - a) Tractors.

- Q 10. Why didn't the farmers stop for lunch?
 - a) They were too keen to finish the job.
- Q 11. How was the hole the farmers dug described? What does this mean?
 - a) Like the crater of a volcano.
 - b) It means the hole was very large, wide and deep. It was a big hole!

- Q 12. What happened at six o'clock?
 - a) Bean and Bunce switched off their tractors.

Why?

b) Both men were tired and stiff from driving tractors all day and were hungry.

What did the men request in their message?

c) They sent out for tents, sleeping bags and supper.

Chapter 8

- Q 13. How many men did the three farmers order to surround the hill? Why?
 - a) 108 men.
 - b) To stop Mr Fox escaping from the hill.

- Q 14. What was Mr Fox doing when he was sitting still with his eyes closed?
 - a) Trying to think of a way out, forming an escape plan.
- Q 15. What was Mr Fox's bright idea?
 - a) To dig their way out, even though they were hungry and thirsty.

- Q 16. Why did the foxes not know how long they had been digging?
 - a) Because there were no days or nights down in the murky tunnel.
- Q 17. What message did Mr Fox ask his biggest son to give his mother?
 - a) Tell her to prepare a feast. Tell her the rest of us will be along in a jiffy, as soon as we have made a few other little arrangements.

Chapter 11

- Q 18. What was the Small Fox carrying?
 - a) Three plump hens.
- Q 19. What happened to Mrs Fox when she saw the food?
 - a) It gave her strength to go on.

- Q 20. Who did the foxes meet first?
 - a) Badger.
- Q 21. What did Mr Fox do then?
 - a) He invited everyone to a feast at his home.

- Q 22. Why did Mr Fox feel confident that he knew where he was?
 - a) He said he knew his way around the farms blindfolded.
 - b) It was as easy for him to travel below ground as above it.
- Q 23. Can you remember what was taken from the stores?
 - a) Four plump ducks.
 - b) Three geese.
 - c) Three smoked hams.
 - d) Side of bacon.
 - e) Ten bunches of carrots.
 - f) Two push carts.

Chapter 14

- Q 24. What did Mr Badger say Mr Fox was doing?
 - a) Stealing.
- Q 25. How is Mr Badger described?
 - a) As too respectable.
 - b) As a gentle badger.

- Q 26. What did Mr Fox, Mr Badger and the Smallest Fox find in the next room?
 - a) Glass jars of cider.
- Q 27. What happened after they had a drink?
 - a) They heard a woman's voice.
 - b) The animals froze, stayed still with their ears pricked up, and their bodies tense.
 - c) They heard the door being opened at the top of the stairs.
 - d) They heard someone coming down in to the cellar.

- Q 28. What was the woman carrying?
 - a) A rolling pin.
- Q 29. Why did the woman only take two jars of cider?
 - a) Because she said he drank too much.
- Q 30. What words that mean the same thing (synonyms), did the rat call Mr Fox, Mr Badger and the Smallest Fox?
 - a) Thieves.
 - b) Bandits.
 - c) Robbers.
 - d) Burglars.

- Q 31. Describe what did Mr Fox, Mr Badger and the Smallest Fox found when they rounded the final corner?
 - a) The most wonderful sight, a feast was beginning in the dining room that had been dug out. In the middle was a large table with the animals all seated around it. The table was covered in food, with duck, chicken, geese (goose), ham and bacon.
- Q 32. Why did they only hear the sound of crunching and chewing?
 - a) The animals had not eaten for days and were too hungry to talk.

- Q 33. What happened to the farmers? Where was the rain going?
 - a) They were sitting outside of their tents and getting wet.
 - b) The rain was trickling down their necks and into their shoes.
- Q 34. What did Bunce say Mr Fox must be?
 - a) Famished.

Final question

Q 35. Why was Mr Fox called fantastic?

Your answer:

Mr Fox had found his way into the three farm store houses. This provided the animals with food and drink, and so saved all their lives.

Having found their way to the three farms and covering their tracks, they would be able to go back for more food and drink safely. This meant they would not have to go outside and risk their lives.

Mr Fox invited all the animals to stay with them forever. They would make an underground village with streets and houses. Mr Fox would get their food each day.

For your notes, or extra space to write your answer.

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