



Reading - Harry Potter Style!

October arrived, spreading a damp chill over the grounds and into the castle. Madam Pomfrey, the nurse, was kept busy by a sudden spate of colds among the staff and students. Her Pepperup potion worked instantly, though it left the drinker smoking at the ears for several hours afterward. Ginny Weasley, who had been looking pale, was bullied into taking some by Percy. The steam pouring from under her vivid hair gave the impression that her whole head was on fire.

1) What is the role of Madam Pomfrey?

2) Write one disadvantage to the remedy.

3) Why did Ginny take the potion?

4) What does *spate* mean? _____

5) What caused the colds to occur? _____

6) If you were Ginny would you take the potion? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 Marks) _____

7) Some might consider Percy to be nasty, do you agree? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 Marks) _____

8) From the three characters mentioned, which one would you prefer to be? Explain your reason. (2 Marks) _____

9) Why has the author used the words *sudden* and *instantly*?
