

Reading - The Lost Happy Endings. Pages 9-16

You may want to read pages 1-8 to remind yourself of what has happened in the story so far.

Task 1 - The Pen

Read pages 9 and 10.

1. What is the noise that the children are making?
2. What simile is used to compare the pain in Jub's heart?
3. Find and copy a phrase that means 'crying with sadness'.
4. What time does it start to get quieter?
5. What does the word **seized** mean?
6. Find the word the author uses that is a synonym for '**pinched**'.
7. What does Jub write first with the gold pen?
8. Where does she write the Happy Ending?
9. Why do you think that Jub held the pen tightly?
10. The author ends this page using ellipsis (...) Why do you think that the author chose this punctuation?

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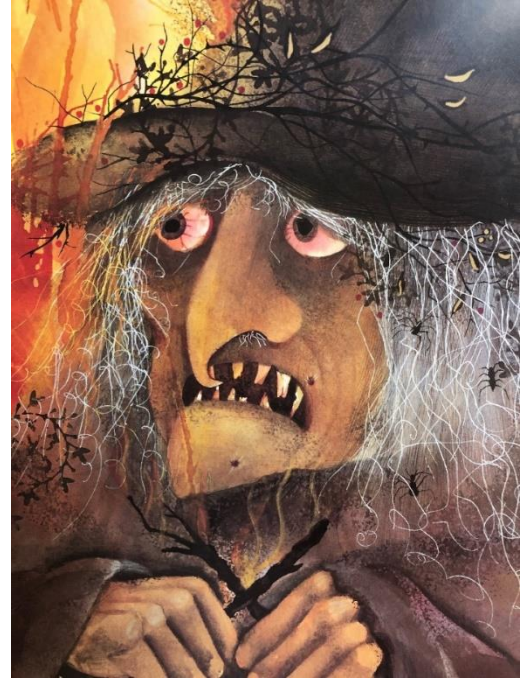
Task 2 - The Witch

Read pages 11, 12, 13 and 14.

1. Why do you think that the author has chosen a different font (style of writing) for this section of the book?
2. Why do you think that the Happy Endings were 'worthless to the witch'?
3. Look at this picture of the witch. List 5 words that you think best describe how she is feeling at the time of the fire.
4. Look at page 13.

'The flames danced with her; cheek to cheek, step by step, arm in arm, 1-2-3, 1-2-3.'

What kind of image do you think the author is trying to show? Can you explain it in your own words?



5. Look at page 14. The author describes the bag of Happy Endings as 'completely untouched.' Explain what this means.

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Task 3 - Jub retrieves the Happy Endings

Read page 15.

1. Jub goes through a selection of emotions on this page. Find evidence from the text on page 15 to support these ...

Jub's feeling	Quotes from the text
Uncomfortable	
Determined	

2. What does the author compare the night to?
3. Find and copy a phrase that tells you that the atmosphere was unnerving.
4. What does Jub hold in each hand?
5. Why does Jub need to run and run?
6. Where does she put the sack?

Now read page 16.

7. "...but I found it in the woods and wrote this with it."

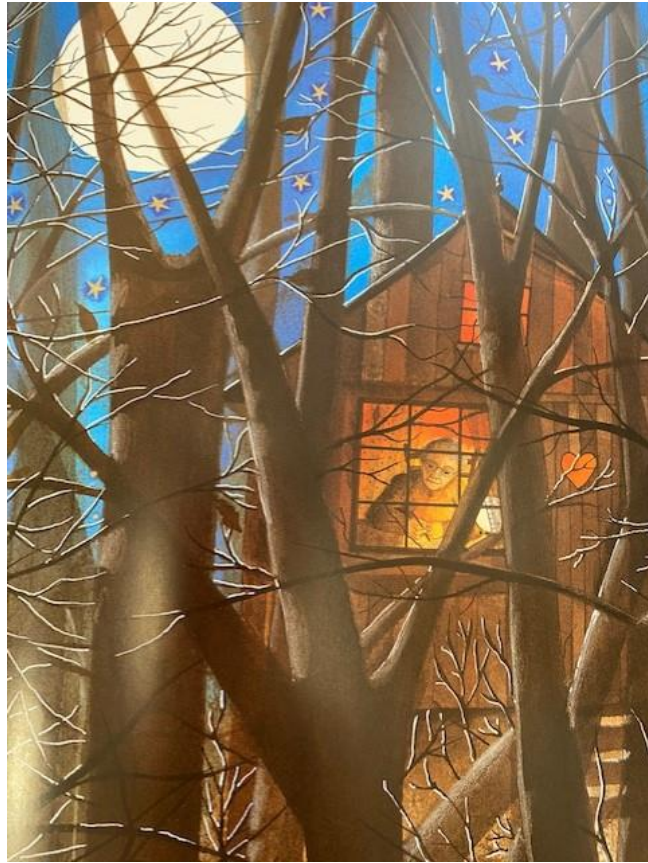
What does the author mean? Explain in your own words.

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Task 4 - Questions about the whole text.

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Task 5 - Who is this?



This is the final image in the book. Think about what you have read.

Who do you think this is? Explain your reason using the text to support your answer.

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