

Reading Tasks – Who let the Gods out?

Before starting your tasks, read the front cover, blurb and information about the book.

You can listen to the story being read –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TsFg6gdj6eU>



Task 1 – Read pages 1 and 2 and answer the following questions...

Page 1

1. Why does the author repeat the phrase 'as normal' in the first paragraph?
2. What feature is used in the sentence, 'What are we going to do with you?'?
3. What thing happened later than normal on Friday morning?

Page 2

4. What feature is used in the sentence, 'You seem rather ... distracted lately.'?
5. The headmaster's name is Mr Sopweed. What kind of character do you think he might be?
6. What is meant when the author writes that there are many more names for the headmaster?

Task 2 – Read page 3 and 4 and answer the following questions...

Page 3

1. What crime does Elliot imply of the headmaster? What does this tell you about Mr Sopweed?
2. The author has used ellipses in many sections of the headmaster's speech. What does this suggest to you?
3. Why is there speech written in uppercase?

Page 4

4. What is meant by the term 'weapons-grade body odour'?
5. What does Elliot think of Mr Boil?

Task 3 - Read pages 5 and 6 and answer the following questions...

Page 5

1. What did Elliot do to make Mr Boil so mad?
2. What is Elliot's favourite prank?

Page 6

3. What are the differences between the characters Mr Boil and Mr Sopweed?

Task 4 - Read pages 7 and 8 and answer the following questions...

1. What do you think Elliot is hiding? Please use evidence from the text to support your answer.
2. What words are used throughout the chapter for the word 'said'? Make a list.

Task 5 - The whole chapter...

The author uses lots of descriptive language to describe the characters. Find the description for each character in the table and draw them, adding your evidence from the text underneath.

	Mr Sopweed	Mr Boil
Drawing		
Evidence		