

## Deepening Understanding

### YR5 Fiction Text

*This set of questions is based upon 'Five Children and It' written by Edith Nesbit.*

Q1

What is the 'dusty hired hack'?

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1 Mark

Q2

How is the 'dusty hired hack' described and what can the reader infer from the author's description?

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2 Marks

Q3

How do we know that the children seemed initially impressed by the house? Find two ways.

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2 Marks



Q4

How does the author emphasise that the mother does not share the same attitude towards the house as the children?

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2 Marks

Q5

Why are the words 'thorny, thistly, briery and brambly' good choices for describing a 'wilderness'?

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2 Marks

Q6

The children never went on excursions in London. What do you think this suggests about the family?

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1 Mark



Q7

Why do you think the children viewed the house as a 'Fairy Palace'?

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2 Marks

Q8

Find three quotations that show the author was not keen on London. Explain how each quote emphasises this view.

*An example has been completed for you.*

Evidence from the text	What this suggests about the author's view...
For London is like a prison for children...	The children felt trapped in London.

3 Marks



Q9

The author believes the children may have been more naughty in the towns. Why might this have been true?

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1 Mark

Q10

Look at the quotation below. From this line, predict what you think will happen next in 'Five Children and It'.

*'Children in the country are naughty sometimes, too, but that is for quite different reasons...'*

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3 Marks

