

Private Peaceful Comprehension

Use the text to help you answer the questions below.

💡 If you see a light bulb next to the question, you will need to think about your own thoughts or opinions, based on what you have read.

1. Where is Thomas dreading going to?

💡 2. Why do you think that Thomas tries not to 'whimper out loud'?

3. What does Charlie put into their father's grave?

4. Look at the quote below:

'Boisterous banter...'

This is an example of which technique? Circle one:

Metaphor

Onomatopoeia

Alliteration

5. How does the author describe Mr Munnings on p.11?

6. What are the two reasons that Miss McAllister chooses Molly to help Thomas tie his shoe laces?

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💡 7. Why do you think Thomas enjoyed riding on Billyboy with his father, especially when the horse broke into a gallop?



8. What happens to Thomas when he realises the tree is going to fall?

9. Why does Thomas think that the swallow on p.15 is his father?

10. What is Thomas' horrible secret?

