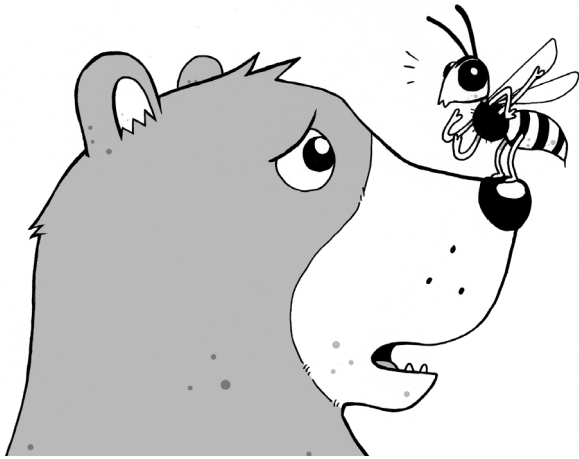
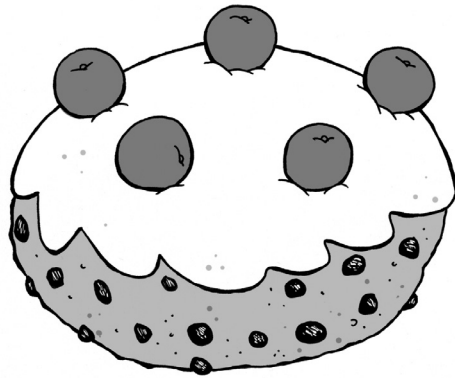


Barney the Bear had a bun.

It was an iced currant bun with five cherries on.

Barney said, "An iced currant bun with five cherries on will go down nicely in my tum." And he settled down to eat his bun.



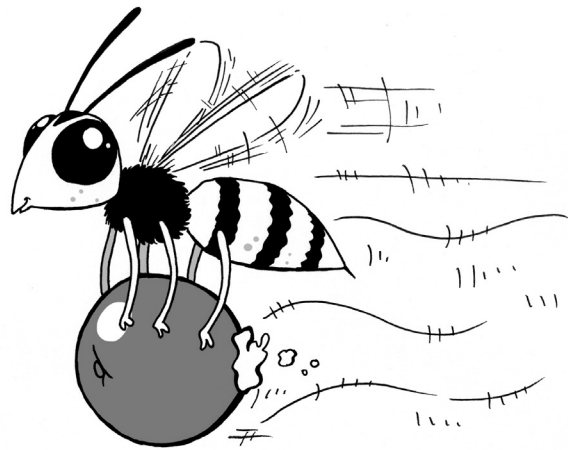
But before he could take a bite a wasp came whizzing and buzzing.

"Will you please go away," said Barney, "and leave me to eat my bun."

But the wasp buzzed louder and said, "Yes, if you give me a cherry."

So Barney gave the wasp a cherry.

"Oh well," he said with a sigh, "an iced currant bun with four cherries on is better than a bun with none."



1. What was Barney's bun like? Tick the best answer.

It was an iced bun. ☐

It was a currant bun. ☐

It was an iced currant
bun with cherries on. ☐

It was an iced bun with cherries on. ☐

2. Barney settled down to eat his bun. What came whizzing and buzzing?

3. What did Barney do in this text? Tick **three**.

He settled down. ☐

He ate a bun. ☐

He ate a cherry. ☐

He had a bun. ☐

He asked a wasp to go away. ☐

4. What did Barney give the wasp to make it go away?

5. Does Barney like buns? How do you know?

6. Do you think Barney will get to eat his bun? Explain.

Practice text: A Bun for Barney

Children should be able to complete the tasks with some independence.

Cracking the questions

Question	Answer	Focus	Strategy
1. What was Barney's Bun like? Tick the best answer.	It was an iced currant bun with cherries on. ✓	1b	You just need to tick to show the answer. First, read all the choices in the question and think about the one you think is the best. Decide where in the text you will look for the answer. Remember your choice while you reread the most useful part of the text and check that you still think the same answer is right.
2. Barney settled down to eat his bun. What came whizzing and buzzing?	A wasp.	1b	Read the question. Where in the text should you look for the answer to this question? Remember the question while you read that part of the text again. Look (scan) for the words 'whizzing and buzzing'. The answer should be somewhere nearby.
3. What did Barney do in this text? Tick three .	He settled down. ✓ He had a bun. ✓ He asked a wasp to go away. ✓	1c	Read the question. Where in the text should you look for the answer to this question? You will need to look through it all (scanning), searching for the words in the question.
4. What did Barney give the wasp to make it go away?	A cherry.	1b	Read the question. Where in the text should you look for the answer to this question? Remember the question while you read that part of the text again. Look (scan) for the words 'the wasp'. The answer should be somewhere nearby.
5. Does Barney like buns? How do you know?	Yes. He said it would go down nicely in his turn./He wanted to be left alone to eat it./He gave the wasp a cherry so it would leave him alone to eat it.	1d	The first part of the question needs a simple 'Yes' or 'No' answer. The second part asks for an explanation. You will need to use ideas in the text. Reread the whole text while you think about the question and try to find an idea to put in your explanation.
6. Do you think Barney will get to eat his bun? Explain.	Accept an answer with a reasonable explanation. E.g. Yes, because stories have happy endings. No, because the wasp might come back to get another cherry.	1e	'Do you think' questions always need an explanation. Think about what you have already learned about Barney and his bun. Think about other books you have read. This type of question is more interested in your explanation than in whether you say 'Yes' or 'No'. The question is trying to find out how much you understand about the meaning of the whole text.