

World Book Day Adventure with Pip

Learning objective: To develop comprehension skills and explore themes related to reading for pleasure and World Book Day.

Read the story about Pip the bookworm and answer the questions below to show your understanding of the text.

Pip the bookworm was buzzing with excitement because it was World Book Day! Pip spent the morning in the library, reorganising the shelves by colour. 'Books are like magic portals,' Pip chirped, dusting off a heavy encyclopaedia. 'One moment you are sitting on a leaf, and the next you are exploring the icy peaks of the Himalayas or learning how a honeybee builds a hive.' To celebrate, Pip decided to dress up as a brave explorer. He packed a tiny rucksack with his favourite bookmark and a notebook to collect new words. He hoped to inspire his friends to find a story that made their imaginations soar. He knew that for every pound spent on a book, a whole new world of knowledge was waiting to be unlocked.

Word bank: imagination · adventures · characters · setting · narrative · non-fiction

1. Why was Pip so excited at the start of the passage? (2 marks)

2. How does Pip describe the feeling of reading a book? Use evidence from the text. (2 marks)

3. Which costume did Pip choose for World Book Day, and what did he pack in his rucksack? (2 marks)

4. If a special edition book costs £7.50 and Pip has a £5.00 book token, how much more money does he need to buy the book? (2 marks)

5. In your own words, why do you think Pip likes to collect new words in his notebook? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip dressed as a brave explorer standing next to a giant stack of his favourite books.



Extension challenge: Write a short book review (4-5 sentences) about your favourite story. Describe the main character and explain why someone else should read it!