

World Book Day: The Great Library Adventure

Learning objective: To develop reading comprehension skills by identifying key information and inferring meaning from a narrative text.

Read the story below featuring Pip the bookworm and answer the questions that follow in full sentences.

World Book Day had finally arrived at the Whispering Woods Library, and Pip was in his element. As a dedicated bookworm, Pip spent his mornings carefully turning pages with his tiny feet, absorbing stories from every corner of the globe. Today, the library was filled with the scent of old parchment and fresh ink. Pip noticed a group of children huddled in the corner, clutching their favourite books. He watched as they discussed their chosen characters, sharing tales of brave explorers and magical forests. 'Every book is a doorway,' Pip whispered to himself, his antennae twitching with excitement. He had spent the week categorising his favourite novels, ensuring that every story had a place on his mossy shelves. By lunchtime, he had helped three children find books that sparked their curiosity. For Pip, World Book Day wasn't just about dressing up; it was about the shared magic of discovering a brand new world inside a simple paper spine.

Word bank: imagination · adventure · narrative · atmosphere · perspective · characterisation

1. Why does Pip consider World Book Day to be an important event in the library? (2 marks)

2. What does the author mean by the phrase 'Every book is a doorway'? (2 marks)

3. Identify two sensory details the author uses to describe the atmosphere of the library. (2 marks)

4. Based on the text, how does Pip demonstrate his love for books throughout the day? (2 marks)

5. If Pip were to recommend a book to a friend, what qualities do you think he would look for in a story? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the caterpillar inside a magical library. Show him surrounded by books that represent different genres, like space travel, deep-sea exploration, or ancient history.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are Pip. Write a short journal entry (50-70 words) explaining which book you would choose to read on World Book Day and why it is your favourite.