Thistledown Lane

The Something in the Woods: Reading Comprehension

KS1 · Year 1

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- Year 1: a short retelling and 6 questions
- Answers

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A gentle claymation series about kindness, friendship and the seasons on an English country lane.

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For grown-ups

How to use this pack

Year 1: a short retelling of the story with picture-friendly questions: tick, order and true or false. You can watch the episode together first, read it aloud, or use it as an independent reading task.

KS1 reading content domains

- **1a** draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts
- **1b** identify and explain key aspects of texts, such as characters, events and information
- **1c** identify and explain the sequence of events in texts
- **1d** make inferences from the text
- **1e** predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far

The story

Something is snuffling in the woods, and the story gets bigger every time it's told.

The lesson

If you're ever frightened of something, go and look at it. It's nearly always smaller than the story. And it's nearly always more frightened than you are.

Curriculum links

English, Year 1 and Year 2 reading comprehension: listening to and discussing stories, discussing word meanings, predicting, making inferences and checking the text makes sense. PSHE: fears and feelings, stories that grow, kindness to newcomers.

Year 1: The Something in the Woods

Name: _____





Bramble and Moss were counting leaves on Thistledown Lane. Then Lilly came down the wall very fast. “I’ve seen it! In the woods!” she said.

Lilly said it was enormous, with big teeth. But really, she only saw something red behind a tree. Old Wren had heard a snuffling at night.

The story got bigger and bigger. By dinner time, it was the size of a cow, and it could open gates!

Mam said, “You’ll not know what a thing is by talking about it.” She gave Bramble three honey buns. So the friends went to the woods. Moss found a big pawprint. He wanted to go home.

Bramble looked behind the tree. There was a little fox cub. His back leg was stuck in some old wire. He was shaking.

Bramble got the wire loose. Lilly held the root back. Moss gave him a honey bun. They took him home to Mam. His name was Sorrel.

Year 1 questions

Name: _____

1 Who said they had seen something in the woods?

☐ Moss ☐ Lilly ☐ Mam

2 What colour was the thing Lilly saw?

☐ red ☐ blue ☐ green

3 What did Mam give Bramble?

☐ a blanket ☐ a map ☐ three honey buns

4 What was really in the woods?

☐ a cow ☐ a little fox cub ☐ a horse

5 Put these in order. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes.

☐ Bramble looked behind the tree.

☐ Lilly said she had seen something.

☐ Moss found a pawprint.

6 True or false?

The fox cub was as big as a cow. **True** ☐ **False** ☐

The fox cub's leg was stuck. **True** ☐ **False** ☐

Moss gave the fox cub a honey bun. **True** ☐ **False** ☐

Answers

Year 1

1. Lilly
2. red
3. three honey buns
4. a little fox cub
5. 1 Lilly said she had seen something. 2 Moss found a pawprint. 3 Bramble looked behind the tree.
6. False (he was smaller than Bramble); True; True