



Week 1 – Text Questions

1. What is a billeting officer? Explain her role.
2. Describe the evacuee children.
 - a) Where did they come from?
 - b) What would they be feeling?
3. What does the expression 'it's obligatory and it's for the war effort' mean?
4. Find phrases and body language that create our first impressions of Tom's character. For example – 'Voice like thunder' suggests he is angry and fierce.
5. What does the front room tell you about Tom?
6. On page 7/8 Willie turned to 'look for something that was missing,' what do you imagine that this could be?
7. How different was Mrs Hartridge from Mr Barnet, William's teacher in London?

Extension:

Consider how Tom responds to William's reactions towards him. Write a paragraph about how this has developed character by the end of the chapter.