**Ravenclaw – Charlie and Alice: A Friend in Need – Session 1**

1) Based on what you have read in the previous Charlie and Alice book (finding a friend), make a prediction about what might happen in this story.

2) Read P4-11.

3a) P4: What type of sentence starts the story?

b) P6: Why do you think Charlie’s reaction to his surprise is so muted?

c) P11: What do you think Charlie is thinking about when he gets the present from Alice?

**4) Main Q: How do you predict Alice’s present will affect Charlie’s relationship with his mum? (Use the answers in Q3 to help you).**

5) Have a think about Charlie’s situation. How has his relationship with Alice changed him? How is his birthday different to usual?

6) Read p12-18 and make notes about why you think Alice feels worried about Charlie going to look for his mum.

**Ravenclaw – Charlie and Alice: A Friend in Need – Session 2**

1) Go back and read your notes about Alice. Do you think she is right or wrong to be worried about Charlie?

2) Read P19-28.

3a) P23: How are the streets and alleys described?

b) P24: What does the building look like?

c) P27-28: How are the actions of the next-door neighbour described?

d) P31: What does Charlie’s mum mean when she says: “It won’t be long now”?

**4) Main Q: Which words set the scene at Charlie’s mum’s house and how would you describe the house? (Use the answers in Q3 to help you).**

5) Do you think the author has set the scene successfully through her choice of vocabulary?

6) Read P29-31. Write a prediction about what Charlie will decide to do next.