

Session 2: Reading (pages 42–61)

Before Reading

Discuss children's notes and the reasons behind them.

During Reading

Children consider the main question as they read to page 61.

Main question: **How does the writer make the events of Chapter 6 both memorable and exciting? (Y5 t3, Personal Response and Evaluation of Text)**

Additional prompts to help you sample children's reading:

Page 53: Why is the background information about the setting important?

Page 54: How does the author use personification to add to the description and suspense?

Page 56: Why is Phyllis anxious about Peter tearing the petticoat?

After Reading

Discuss the main question and talk about how the words and descriptions add to the suspense of the chapter. Do they think the author has been successful?

Follow-up: before Session 3, children read to page 74 making predictions about how they think Perks will react.