The BFG

Guided Reading Pack Answers Chapter 9: The Bloodbottler

Day 1 (AF2)

- 1. He wants the BFG to help him look for the 'human bean' (Sophie).
- Yes, the word whisk has two meanings. In this chapter, it means 'take quickly' but it can also mean 'beat or stir quickly'.
- When Sophie is inside the BloodboUler's mouth, she describes his 'evil-smelling breath' and how it 'stank of bad meat'.

Day 2 (AF3)

- 1. After the BloodboUler left the cave, the BFG said, 'I is hating those other giants more than ever now'. The BloodboUler very nearly ate Sophie, his new friend, so he is very cross and wanting to 'find a way of disappearing them, every single one'.
- 2. The word 'tenderly' tells us that the BFG cares about Sophie and feels relieved that she is O.K. after her near-miss in the BloodboUler's mouth.

Day 3 (AF4/5)

- 1. The use of language shows how huge the BloodboUler is. For example, the noise he makes outside the cave is 'a tremendous thumping noise', and he has a 'voice like thunder'. It also says, 'he was more than twice as tall and wide as the BFG' and we already know that the BFG is a big giant.
- 2. Half-stunned' tells us the Sophie was in shock after flying across the room, hiUing the black cloak and dropping to the floor. She had nearly been eaten by the BloodboUler.
- 3. This use of italics in this sentence emphasises the BFG's shock and disbelief when he realises that Sophie had been in the BloodboUler's mouth.

Day 4 (AF6/7)

Pupils' own responses, such as: Yes
 I think the BFG stands up to the
 BloodboUler because he says to him,
 'Eating human beans is wrong and evil,'
 which is a very brave thing to say.