



Flea Feast

The flea:

I wish that I could always lead
This life of mindless sucking greed.
I love to nip and leap about
And hear my victims bark and shout.

The dog:

All those pills and sprays and powder
Make me bark just that much louder.
My owner thinks he's won the war
'Cause I'm not scratching any more.

The boy:

Tonight I'll move him from the shed
And let him sleep beside my bed ...

The flea:

I knew, if I stayed still and quiet,
That I could have a change of diet!

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This task is about making inferences from a text.

Read the poem "Flea Feast" and answer the questions below.

- a) i) Who are the “victims” the flea talks about in the first verse?

- ii) Write down two words from the first verse that give an idea of who the victims are.
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- b) When the dog says, “My owner thinks he’s won the war”, what war is he talking about?

- c) In the second verse the dog says, “I’m not scratching any more”. Why isn't he scratching any more?

- d) What is the most likely reason that the dog had to sleep in the shed?

- e) What made the boy decide to let the dog sleep beside his bed?

- f) i) In the last verse the flea talks about having a "change of diet". Who will probably be the flea's new victim?

- ii) What happens in the poem that gives an idea of who the flea's new victim will be?
