

WHOWAZZIT?

WHO USED the garden rake
And made a very
Bad mistake?
Eh?

WHO DROPPED it in the grass
Where unsuspecting
People pass?
Eh?

WHO SHOULD have realised
There'd be a certain prang-up
When the head of the rake was trodden on
And the hidden handle sprang up?
Eh?

WHO SAID, "Oh gosh!" and fled
When the handle hit
A father's head?
Eh?

HEY!

WHO MADE a big mistake
And forgot to put
The garden rake
AWAY!

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This task is about making inferences from a poem.

Read the poem ‘Whowazzit?’ then answer the following questions.

- a) In this poem one family member is complaining to another person who listens but doesn’t say anything.
- i) Who is speaking? _____
- ii) Who is listening? _____
- b) Write two or three sentences which summarise what happens in the poem.
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- c) How does the speaker feel?
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- d) “Eh?” is repeated four times in this poem. What effect does this have?
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- e) Why did the poet use an exclamation mark rather than a question mark at the end of the poem?
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- f) Why are capital letters used for the lines starting with WHO, e.g., “WHO USED. . . .”, “WHO DROPPED. . . .”?
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- g) How does the title, “Whowazzit”, relate to the poem?
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