

Children's Literature

Homework 1

1- When was *The Railway Children* published?

- a- 1945
- b- 1850
- c- 1906
- d- 2000

2- How many chapters does *The Railway Children* consist of?

- a- 14
- b- 15
- c- 18
- d- 20

3- What is meant by illustrations in the field of the novel?

- a- Explanation using words
- b- Pictures that explain more about the novel
- c- Plots
- d- Stories

1- The novel begins by saying: “They were not railway children to begin with”. What is the significance of this introductory sentence?

- a- Arousing interest and suspense in the minds of readers
- b- Confirming from the start that this is not a novel about trains
- c- Showing that trains are not a big issue
- d- Showing that the children do not like trains

2- The words Father and Mother are always written with a capital letter at the beginning

- a- For no reason at all
- b- To show and teach children real respect for their parents
- c- To make it easy for us to follow developments in the novel
- d- To show us how families in the 19th century were richer and richer

3- The Railway Children is a didactic novel:

- a- It is religious
- b- It is educational, teaching grammar and math
- c- It educates children about the rules of right behaviour
- d- It is social

1- The sentence we read before the table of contents called.....:

- a- Dedication
- b- Integration
- c- Personification
- d- Summation

2- Why is Edith Nesbit fond of modifiers like “very”, “never”, and “always”?

- a- To emphasize the realistic nature of the novel which matches the way children talk
- b- She is fond of this way of writing
- c- To teach children grammar
- d- To prove that she does not like the way children behave

3- How much verisimilitude is there in The Railway Children?

- a- A lot
- b- Little
- c- None
- d- Some

4- Mother did not spend all her time in paying dull calls to dull ladies, and sitting dully at home waiting for dull ladies to pay calls to her”:

- a- Mother is dull
- b- Mother’s friends will visit her
- c- Mother does not want those friends to visit her
- d- Mother is an ideal woman who is so different from other women in this age