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My Blurb

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Write a newspaper caption

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Would you recommend this novel to a friend? Why? / Why not?

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Was this novel fictional or non-fictional? Why do you think so?

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# Let's Look back at Chapter 1

Name the characters that we meet in this chapter.

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Who is your favourite character and why?

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Does Grandad remind you of anyone? Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you know about PJ, Rory and Shane?\_

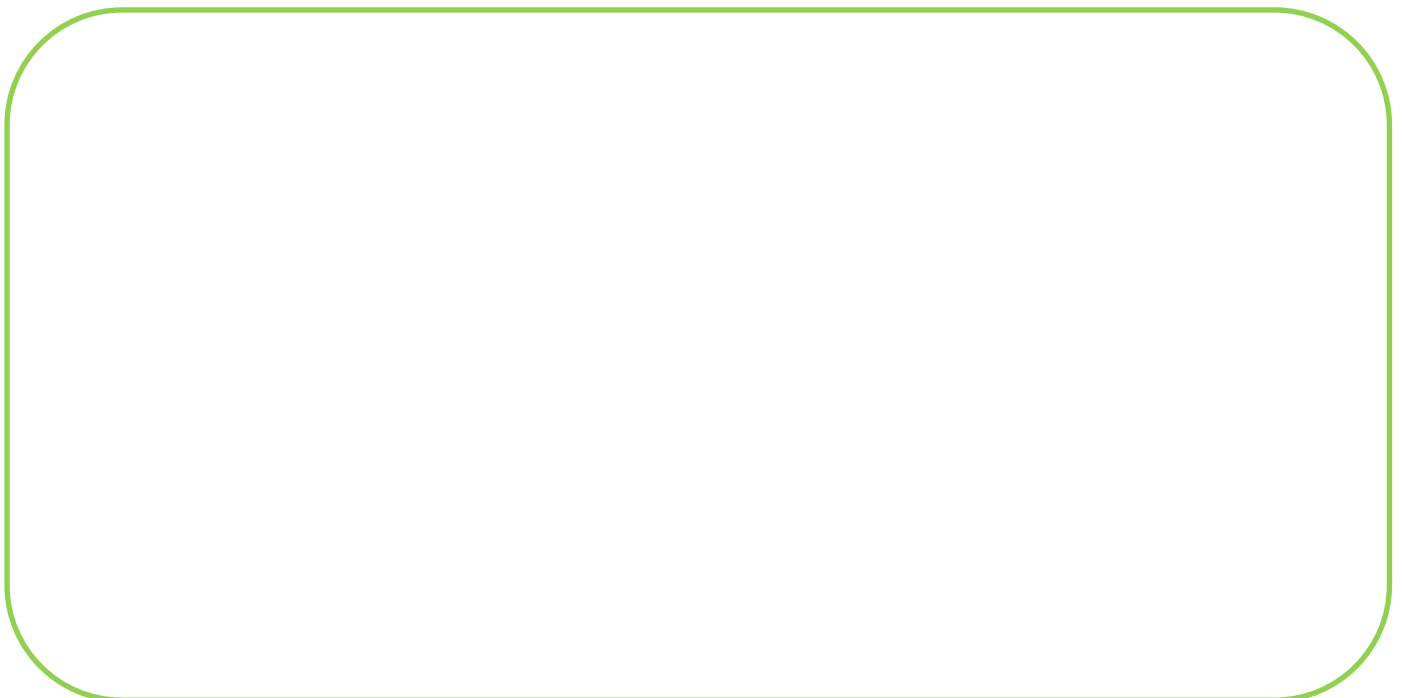
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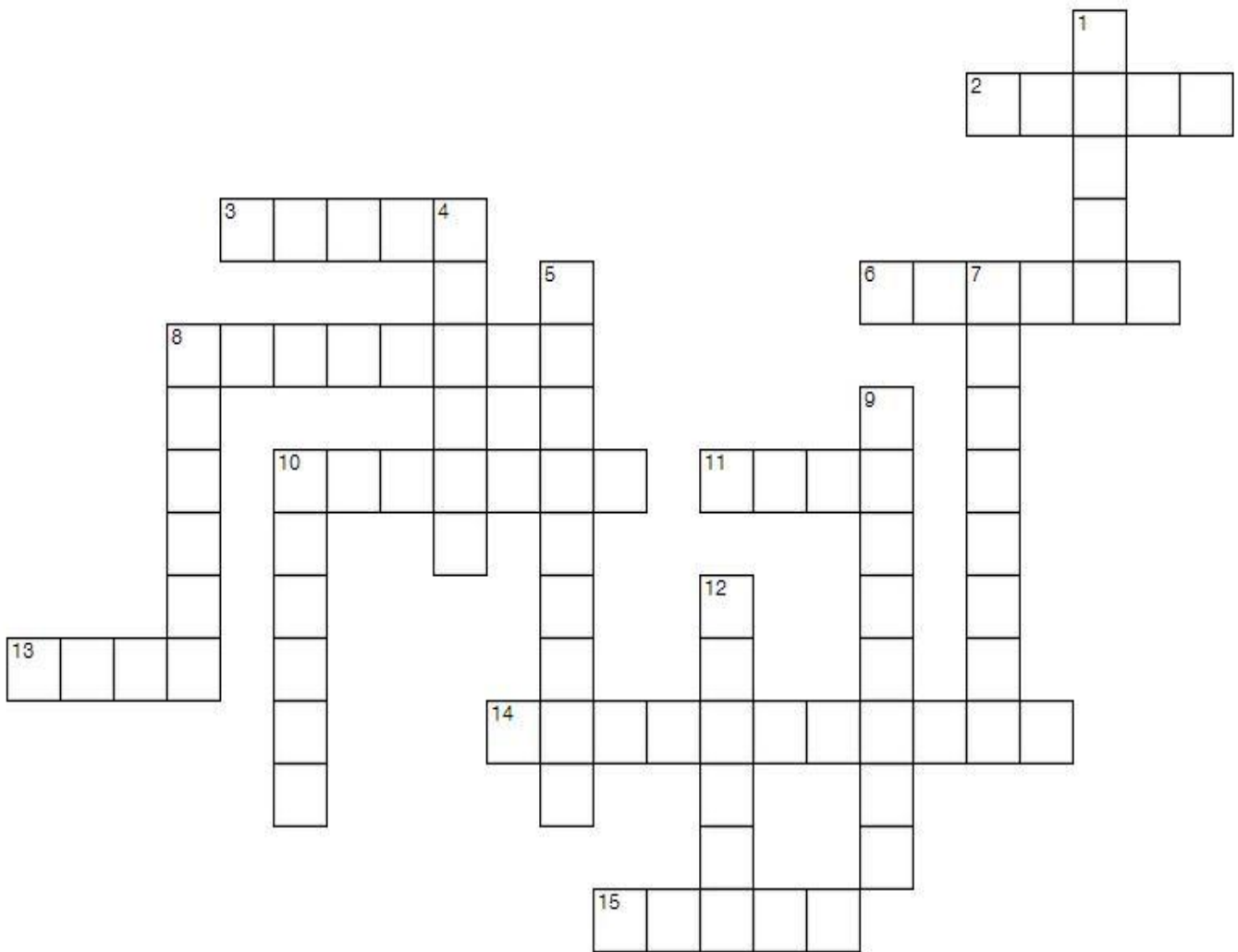
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Draw an illustration that would suit this chapter.



# Adam's Starling

## Chapter 1



### ACROSS

- 2 a vehicle on tracks
- 3 liquid drops from the eye
- 6 leap with this woolly item
- 8 a long hallway or passage
- 10 the sound of wet shoes
- 11 yodle ay ee oh
- 13 a sly smile
- 14 Dad's father
- 15 make fun of

### DOWN

- 1 a piece of furniture to gather round
- 4 milk-\_\_\_\_\_, soaked with milk
- 5 people sit in HARMSRICA
- 7 not a newspaper
- 8 a container for liquid
- 9 SHIP TOLA, for the sick
- 10 filled with stale air
- 12 a small pool of water

# Chapter Review

Chapter Title or number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Setting**

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**Characters and a bit about them, that appear in the chapter.**

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**Chapter Summary**

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**Three words that I have learned**

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It's meaning	_____
Word	_____
It's meaning	_____
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## Let's Look back at Chapter 3

What did Rory mean by saying 'Adam's the biggest nut they could find'? \_\_\_\_\_

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Name four types of birds named in this chapter.

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Explain why Adam was afraid of Danny 'talking' to the boys who had thrown the milk at him? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you like the character, Danny? Give an example of something he did that you liked or didn't like. \_\_\_\_\_

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Using a different source of information, find out about starlings and write down three interesting points you found.

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What was your favourite part of this chapter? \_\_\_\_\_

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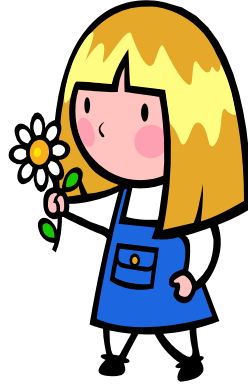
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# Poetry Page

Write two character CINQUAINS about two characters from the story.

*A cinquain poem has five lines and often doesn't rhyme:*

Line one is one word.  
Line two is two words.  
Line three is three words.  
Line four is four words.  
Line five is one word.



Jade  
Kind sister  
Always helping others  
She's liked by everyone  
Genuine

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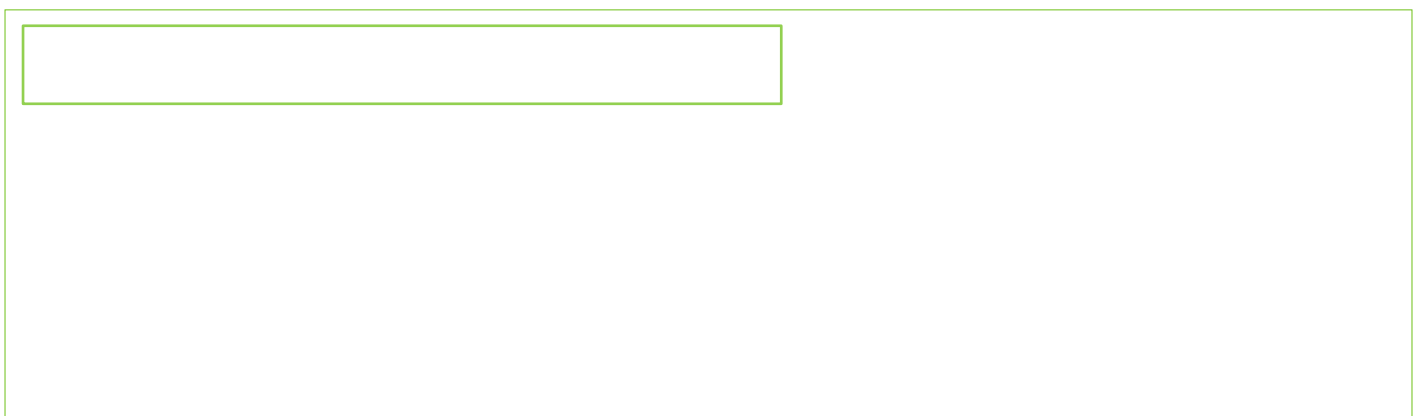
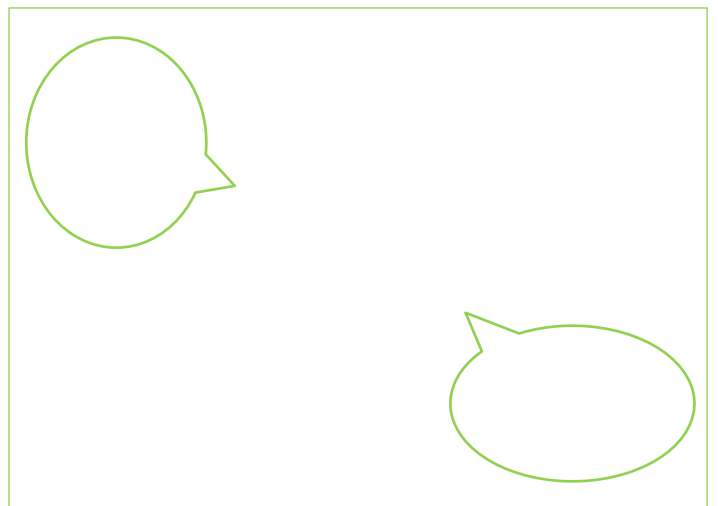
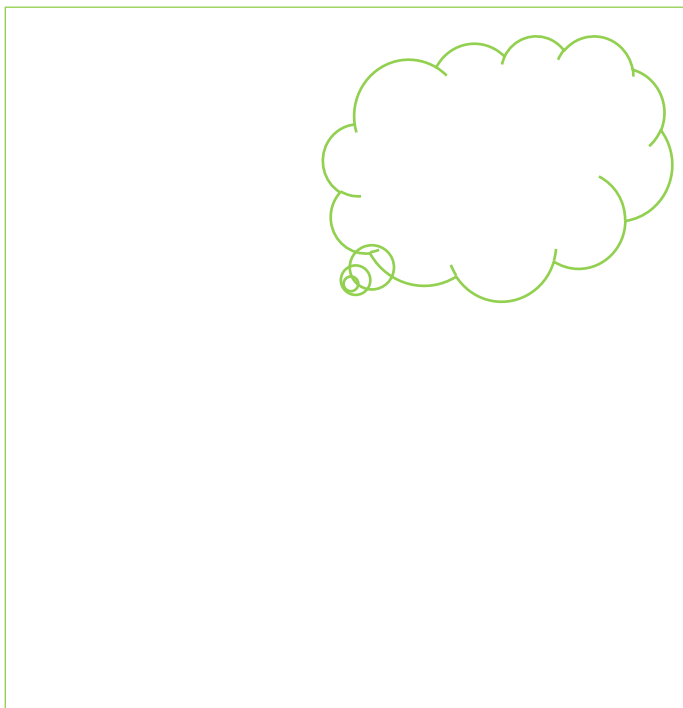
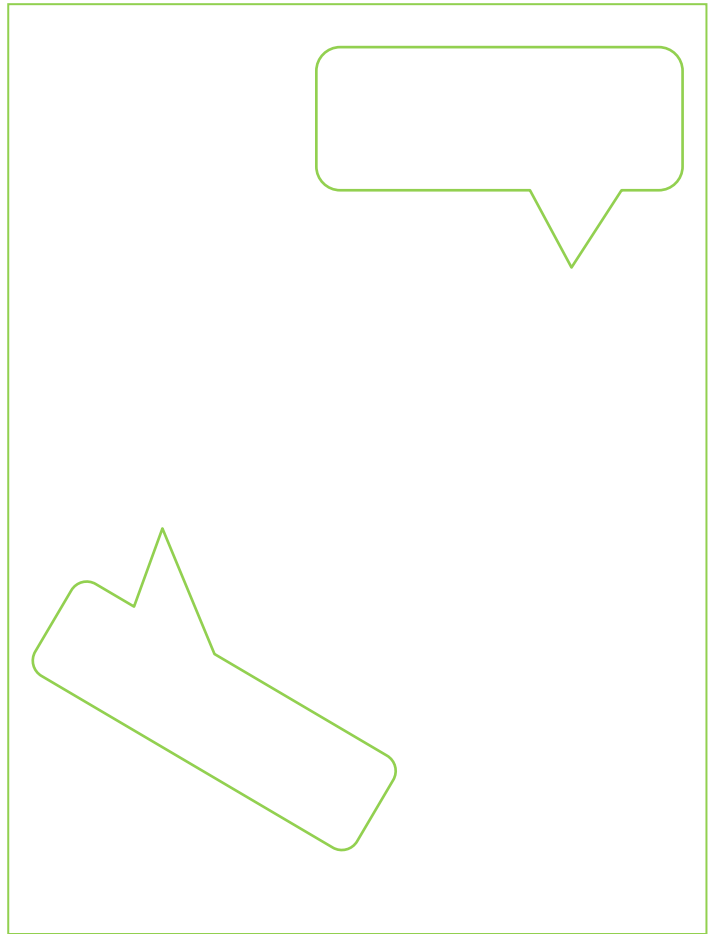
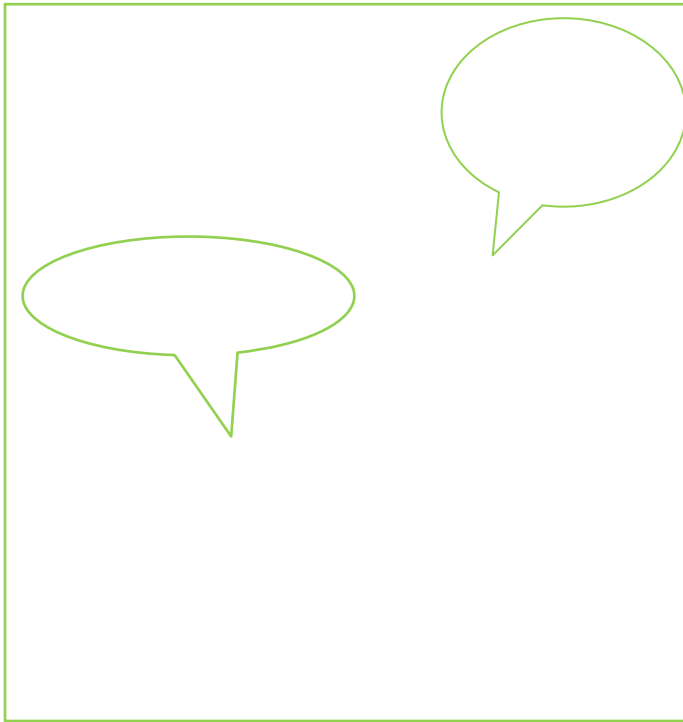
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**Create a comic strip using two characters, and an incident that happened between them, in the chapter you have just completed. Chapter \_\_\_\_\_**



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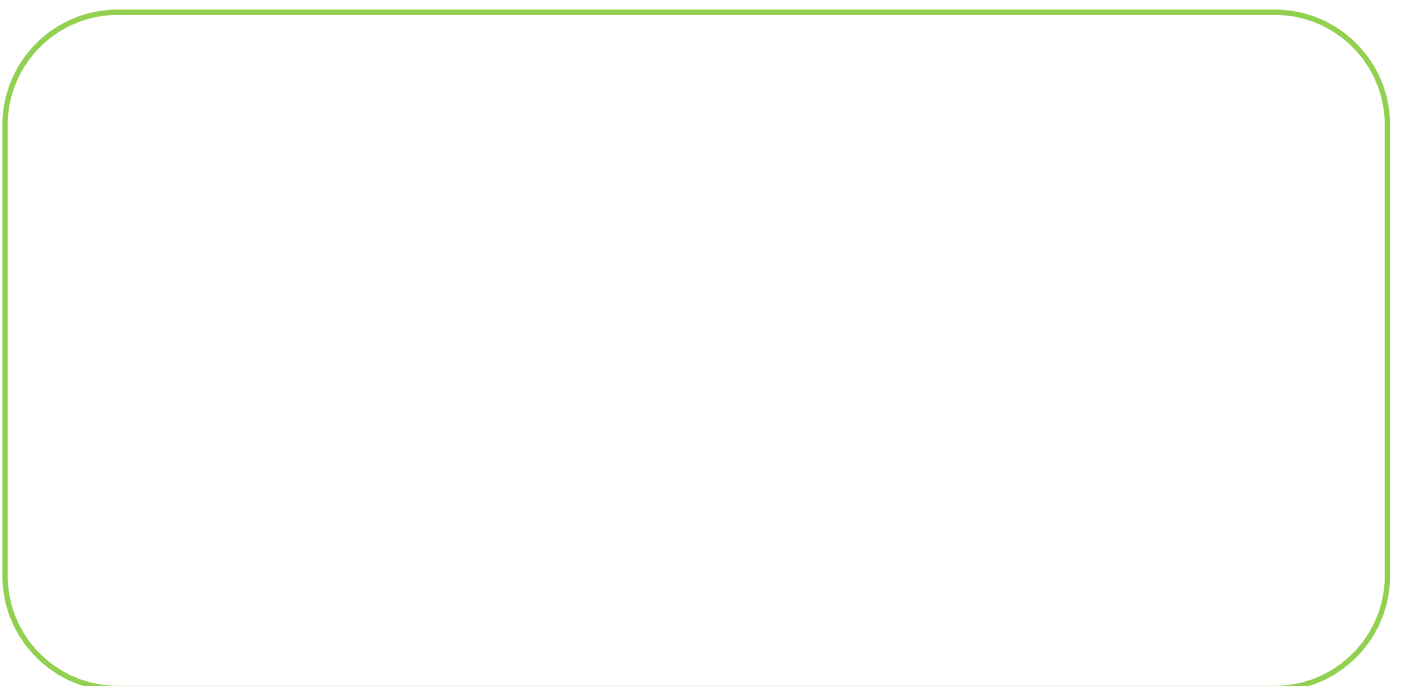
It's meaning \_\_\_\_\_



## Let's Look back at Chapter 6

1. What was Adam to do when his mother dropped him off early at Alien Empire?
2. Why do you think Adam felt self-conscious about waving to his mother?
3. What does it mean if you see Sea Gulls inland?
4. How did Adam recognise the bullies?
5. How come Adam felt his heart in his throat?
6. What did Niall want the 'plank or something' for?

Draw an illustration that would suit this chapter.



# Poetry Page

Write an Acrostic poem, using the **Title** of your book

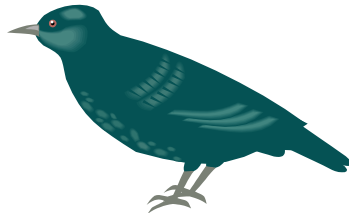
*An ACROSTIC poem uses a word spelt vertically as its inspiration.*

**Beautiful**

**Insects and birds**

**Roam around**

**Decorating our world**



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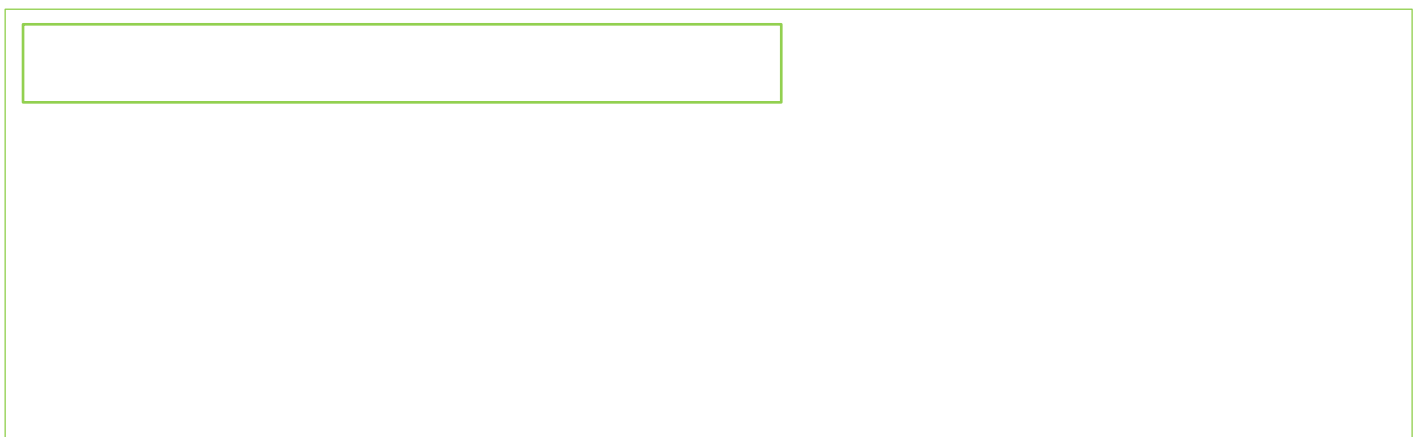
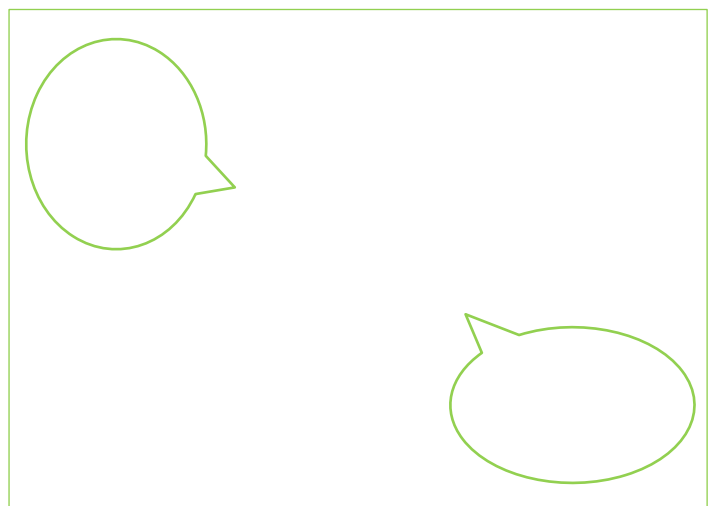
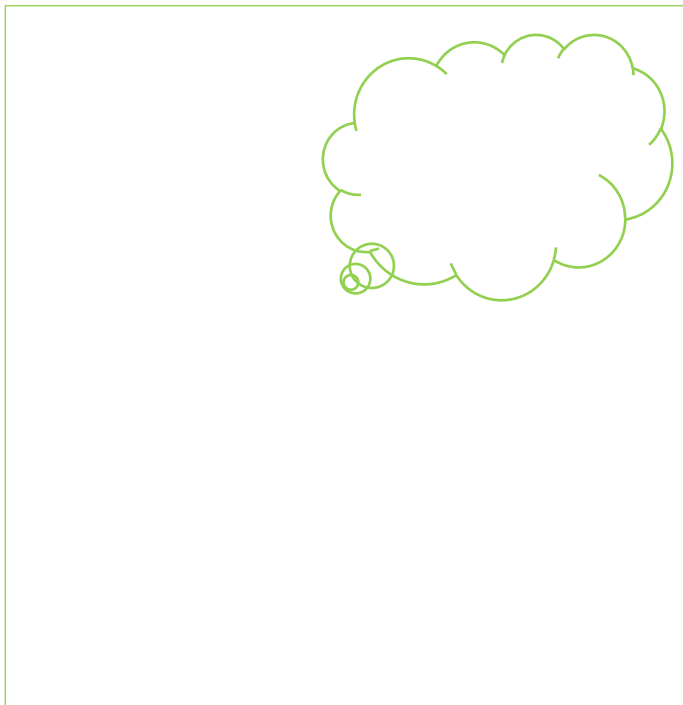
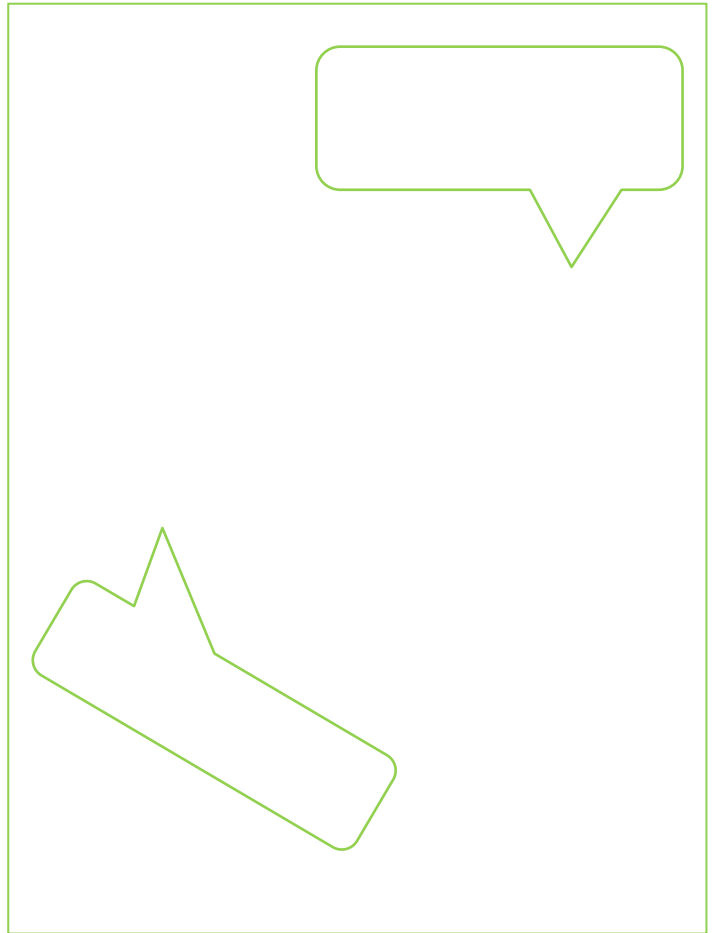
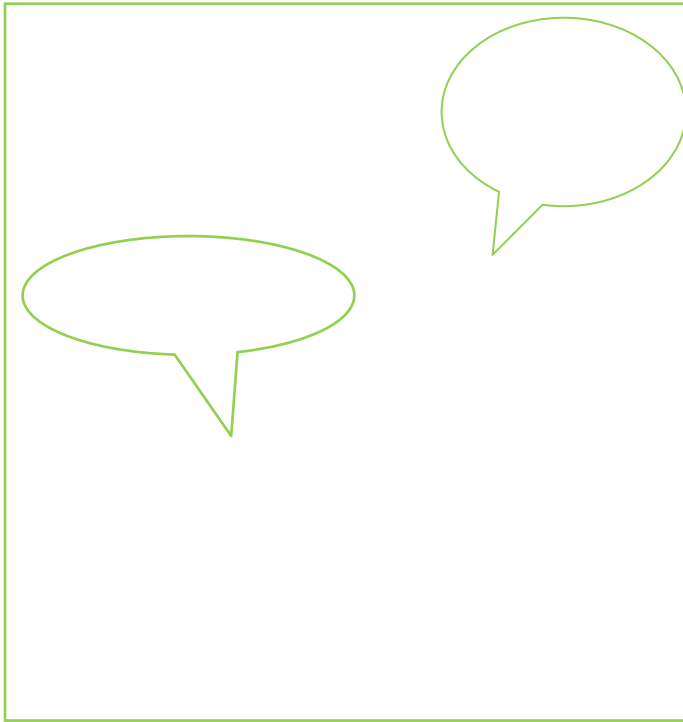
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# Let's Look back at Chapter 9

1. What did Ronan have to say to Miss Clarke? \_\_\_\_\_

2. List four adjectives used to describe how the boys returned to class.

i) \_\_\_\_\_

iii) \_\_\_\_\_

ii) \_\_\_\_\_

iv) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Describe what Rory did to Adam during lunch time \_\_\_\_\_

4. If you were Adam, what do you think you would have done next?

5. Why was Grandad becoming agitated when he heard about Elvis's death? \_\_\_\_\_

6. How did Grandad plan on solving his problem with James Hennessy? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What is a Jackrabbit? \_\_\_\_\_

# Chapter 10

## Dad's Problem

I D E L P M U R C M L N M J  
N C O M P A N I O N A B L Y  
Q D E S P E C I A L L Y L P  
U K E X R D T S H S Z D B D  
I D J C T D W O T S E N E R  
S L R D N O E A R I U S X W  
I P L A R I R T R T I R M Y  
T R L B I L V R E C O D H S  
I K E I I N U N R N E I T T  
V Y Y N T H P E O H T O S T  
E T G G J T X I G C M I T E  
L T N N D E I U P A N N O B  
Y Z G M Q B A N C E Z U J N  
G L G B T L X H G B M V W J

hurriedly

inquisitively

crumpled

unconvinced

tortoise

companionably

especially

exercise

laughed

drainpipe

eyebrows

thrush

splitting

starling

stomach

## Chapter 11

**Write a tongue twister using Rory as the title.**

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**Write a play script for pages 129 and 130. Include in your script; scene setting and actions in brackets. Remember to put the character in the margin.**

(Adam looked straight at Rory, swallowing a lump in his throat.)

## Adam

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## Let's Look back at Chapter 12

1. Why is this chapter called 'Running'? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Who gave Adam permission to sit with his grandfather while he ate?

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3. What did Grandad do to earn a living in his younger days?

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4. Do you think Grandad was following what Adam was telling him on pages 137 and 138? Explain.

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5. Why do you think Adam did not cry or have any feelings and fall asleep?

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6. How would you have felt or what would you have done when you got home after such a day?

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## Let's Look back at Chapter 13

1. Why was Deirdre driving fast that morning? Do you do anything when feeling like that? \_\_\_\_\_

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- ## 2. Where did Mrs Malley get her information about Adam?

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3. Danny told Adam to 'Put it there!' What does this mean and when might you use it? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Continuing from here write one more paragraph to finish the story. *'It doesn't matter – come on, let's go in.'* ....

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