



Day 1 - Adjectives

Read all of chapter 7 and then chapter 8.

<https://www.theickabog.com/lord-spittleworth-tells-tales/> - Chapter 7

<https://www.theickabog.com/the-day-of-petition/> - Chapter 8

Chapter 8 starts with 3 adjectives; selfish, vain and cruel. An adjective is a word, which is used to describe a noun (a person, place or thing).

E.g. The words echoed in the king's head as he pulled on his silk nightcap.

The word 'silk' is being used as an adjective to describe the nightcap.

There are 16 adjectives in the paragraph. Can you find them all and put one in each box?

Day 2 – Random acts of kindness

Read the next 3 paragraphs (ending ‘how much he meant to the ordinary people of Cornucopia’)
These paragraphs discuss ‘The Day of the Petition’ in which the king meets people who he can help easily and carries out an act of kindness. What can you do to be kind today? Write what you could do or want to do. You could also make a care package for somebody you haven’t seen for a while.

Day 3 – Verbs

Read up to ‘the pageboy bearing the cushion full of rings’.

Now you are going to identify verbs. Verbs are words which describe an action, occurrence or state.

E.g. Fred’s dressers were waiting for him after breakfast.

‘were’ and ‘waiting’ are both verbs. ‘were’ describes the occurrence and ‘waiting’ describes the action.

Can you find any more verbs to describe actions in these paragraphs? Find at least 10. Tip – a good way to spot a verb is to ask yourself – is somebody doing this?

Day 4 – Answer the questions

Answer the following questions about the following chapters – from ‘There, thought Fred’ to ‘allowing an old woman to kiss his hand’.

1. Why were Flapoon and Spittleworth caught by surprise?
2. How do you think the lords felt about being called lazy and why?
3. Why do you think his advisor; Herringbone, smiled approvingly instead of questioning the king's dress choice?
4. Why had people been queuing since dawn to see the king?
5. How do you think they felt when they finally got to meet him and why?
6. Why would the subjects have become tongue-tied when talking to the king?

Day 5 – Prediction

Read from 'Today, though, while he smiled' to the end of the chapter which ends: 'Lunchtime!' boomed Flapoon, but just as the guards were attempting to close the doors a kerfuffle was heard, and the doors flew open once more.

Predict what you think was happening. What was the kerfuffle? What do you think the king had done to prove that he was a wonderful man? Why did he so badly want to prove he was a wonderful man?

I predict that.....

Now, if you were king and wanted to do something special for the people in your kingdom what would you do?