

The Enormous Crocodile

Monday - Read pages 33 -34

Jul turned and ran. So did all the other children. Even the man who was working the merry-go-round jumped off it and ran away as fast as he could. The Enormous Crocodile cursed the Roly-Poly Bird and waddled back into the bushes to hide. "I am so hungry now," he said to himself. "I could eat six children before I am full up!" Just outside the town, there was a pretty little field with trees and bushes all around it. This was called The Picnic Place. There were several wooden tables and long benches, and people were allowed to go there and have a picnic at any time. The Enormous Crocodile crept over to The Picnic Place. There was no one in sight.

"Now for 'Clever Trick Number Four!'" he whispered to himself. He picked a lovely branch of flowers and arranged it on one of the tables. From the same table, he took away one of the benches and hid it in the bushes. Then he put himself in the place where the bench had been. By tucking his head under his chest, and by twisting his tail out of sight, he made himself look very much like a long wooden bench with four legs.



1. How many children would the Crocodile like to eat now to be full up?

2. a) Describe Picnic Place.

b) What do you think people use this space for?

3. *There was no-one in sight.* What does this mean?

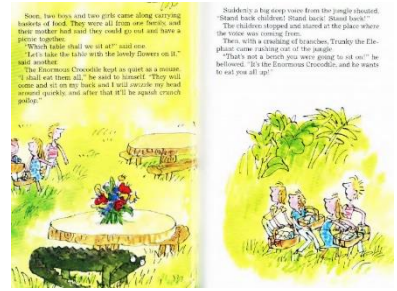
4. How has the Crocodile disguised himself as a bench?

5. Do you think Clever Trick Number Four will work? Explain your answer.

6. Who ran away as fast as they could? Why were they so afraid?

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1. Who came to have a picnic? Tick one

Two boys and two girls ☐

A Mum with her four children ☐

Two boys and a girl ☐

2. Why did they choose to sit on the Crocodile's table?

3. What does **swizzle** mean?

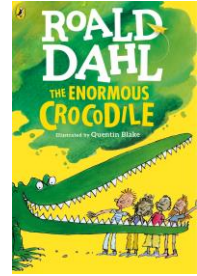
4. How do you think the children felt when they heard the big, deep voice from the jungle?

5. Write a short paragraph to describe the Enormous Crocodile. Include details about his **appearance** (what he looks like) and his **personality** (what kind of character he is).

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Wednesday - Read pages 37 - 40



Trunky trotted over to the spot where the Enormous Crocodile was shouting, and quick as a flash he wrapped his trunk round the Crocodile's tail and heaved him up into the air.



Trunky began to swing the Crocodile round and round in the air. At first he swung him slowly. Then he swung him faster...



And faster... And FASTER...



And FASTER STILL... Now the Enormous Crocodile was just a blurry circle going round and round Trunky's head.



Selfie:

Vocabulary Check



Draw lines to match each word or phrase to its meaning.

trotted

hoisted

dangling

To hang or swing loosely

To raise or pull up

Quick run with small steps

1. Why do you think Trunky moved *as quick as a flash*??

2. Find a word that means *shouted*.

3. What reason did Trunky give for not letting the Crocodile go?

4. Look at these pages again and use the stems to evaluate both the text and illustrations:

The phrase/word * works well because...

I like the way the author uses...

I think it would have been better if...

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Thursday - Read pages 41 - 43



Suddenly Trunky let go of the Crocodile's tail, and the Crocodile went shooting high up into the sky like a huge green rocket.
Up and up he went . . .
Higher and higher . . .
Faster and faster . . .



He was going so fast and so high that soon the earth was just a tiny dot miles below.
He whizzed on and on.
He whizzed far into space.
He whizzed past the moon.
He whizzed past stars and planets.
Until at last . . .



With the most tremendous
the Enormous Crocodile crashed headfirst into the
hot hot sun.
And he was sizzled up like a sausage!

1. Find two **similes** (comparing something using like or as) that the author uses to describe the Crocodile's movements.

2. What *became a tiny dot below*?

3. Find and copy three thing that the Crocodile whizzed past.

4. Why do you think the author has written **B A N G** in this way?

5. Do you agree with what Trunky did to the Enormous Crocodile? Explain your answer.

5. Now you have read all of the story. Would you recommend this story to a friend? Explain why/why not.

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Information about the author and illustrator

Friday - Read page 44.

ROALD DAHL (1916–1990) was born in Wales of Norwegian parents. He spent his childhood in England and, at age eighteen, went to work for the Shell Oil Company in Africa. When World War II broke out, he joined the Royal Air Force and became a fighter pilot. At the age of twenty-six he moved to Washington, D.C., and it was there he began to write. His first short story, which recounted his adventures in the war, was bought by *The Saturday Evening Post*, and so began a long and illustrious career.



After establishing himself as a writer for adults, Roald Dahl began writing children's stories in 1960 while living in England with his family. His first stories were written as entertainment for his own children, to whom many of his books are dedicated.

Roald Dahl is now considered one of the most beloved storytellers of our time. Although he passed away in 1990, his popularity continues to increase as his fantastic novels, including *James and the Giant Peach*, *Matilda*, *The BFG*, and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, delight an ever-growing legion of fans.

Learn more about Roald Dahl on the official Roald Dahl Web site: www.roalddahl.com

QUENTIN BLAKE is a well-known artist whose work has made him popular on both sides of the Atlantic. He has illustrated most of Roald Dahl's children's books as well as many others. He lives in London, where he teaches illustration at the Royal College of Art.

1. What year was Roald Dahl born?

2. Where did he go when he was aged 18?

3. What did Roald Dahl do during World War II?

4. Find and copy three books that Roald Dahl has written:

5. Where could I go to find out more about Roald Dahl?

6. True or false: Roald Dahl has only written children's books

7. Find and copy two facts about Quentin Blake:
