

Railway Children Chapter 12 Answers

1. How do the children wake up Jim?
 - a. By wetting his ears with milk
2. How did Jim break his leg?
 - a. He tripped on a wire
3. Where do the children carry Jim to to wait?
 - a. The manhole
4. In what conditions will Bobbie refer to herself as a silly little girl?
 - a. When she is really angry with herself, normally she hates being called a little girl
5. What does Jim point out about all the children's names?
 - a. They are all boys' names
6. Why won't Bobbie shake Jim's hand?
 - a. Because that would hurt his leg
7. What selfless thing does Jim do in the dark to make Bobbie feel better?
 - a. He holds her hand which is selfless because he does not like things like that
8. What does 'material tokens of affection' mean?
 - a. Things like hugging or kissing - showing affection by touching people
9. Why does Peter say that Phyllis wasn't brave?
 - a. Because she only went into the tunnel because of Bobbie and Peter, she wouldn't have gone on her own
10. Why is it so bad that the signalman had fallen asleep at work?
 - a. Because there could have been an accident on the railway, and he could have lost his job
11. What does it mean to be conscientious?
 - a. It has two meanings, to do your work diligently and relating to conscience, the second meaning seems to make the most sense in the context of the sentence it's used in
12. What colour is mauve?
 - a. Pale purple
13. Why did the signalman fall asleep?
 - a. Because his son has pneumonia so he hasn't been able to sleep for days
14. Why does Phyllis call the signalman a nasty man?
 - a. Because he tries to bribe the children to not tell anybody that he had fallen asleep
15. Why does Jim have to be taken back to the Three Chimneys?
 - a. Because his mother is dead and his father lives away - he's at school locally but has no home nearby to be taken to
16. What does mother think has happened when Bobbie first gets home?
 - a. That the children have found a lame dog
17. Why is Bobbie so sure that bringing Jim back to their house was the right thing to do?
 - a. Before they get him there she's sure because her mother took the Russian in, at the end she's sure because she kisses him as though he were one of her own children