



Pre-reading work

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joy

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Skimming and scanning for information

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In another moment down went Alice after it, never once considering how in the world she was to get out again.

The rabbit-hole went straight on like a tunnel for some way, and then dipped suddenly down.

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- warm
- cool
- hot

2. What is the girl considering doing? (1 mark)

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- making a fan
- making a bracelet
- making a basket

3. What colour eyes did the rabbit have? (1 mark)

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- black
- pink
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5. What caused Alice to follow the rabbit? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 marks)

6. Place these events in chronological order using the numbers 1 - 6.

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- Alice went down the rabbit-hole.
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Alice doesn't think that seeing a white rabbit running past her is strange. In the text, it says that the rabbit speaks to itself and it 'all seemed quite natural'. This is surprising as rabbits cannot talk and so the reader would expect Alice to be surprised but she isn't at all.

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Alice decided to follow the rabbit when she saw it take a watch out of its waistcoat-pocket and look at it. She realised that she had never seen this before and so it made her feel curious and want to follow it.

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