



Stage 12 Pack C

The Terrible Birthday Present

Worksheet 1

Name

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Chapter 1

Answer in sentences.

1. Give the title of this book, and the name of the author and the illustrator.
2. Describe how the girl on the cover is feeling – look at her face, and the little dog's!
3. Read the back cover. What do you think this story will be about?
4. What has been your worst present?
5. Who gave it to you, and what did you do with it?
6. What type of things would you expect to buy in Aunty Sue's shop?
7. List four presents Holly got, and who she got them from.
8. What is the puppy called, and what is Holly's young brother called?
9. Did Holly like her kilt? What is your evidence?
10. Write a thank you letter from Holly to one of the people who gave her a birthday present.



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Worksheet 2

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Match

1. She couldn't tell her // skirt was terrible.
2. Lucy knew more about // her tartan skirt in the mirror.
3. Lucy thought the tartan // down with excitement.
4. She'd be really pleased // clothes than Holly.
5. She looked hard at // to see what had happened.
6. She pulled her longest // when Mum said she'd clean it?
7. She didn't want them // she hated it.
8. He was jumping up and // if you wore your tartan skirt.
9. He bounced against the stool // staring at her tartan skirt.
10. Lucy and Mum rushed out // Holly's face.
11. She hadn't noticed // where the paint can was.
12. Why was she so miserable // sweatshirt down over it?

Answer in sentences

1. How do you think Holly is feeling?
2. If you were Holly what would you do?
3. How do you know that Lucy is a bit confused?
4. Write about the differences you see between Holly's face on page 20 and on page 21.



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Worksheet 3

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Chapter 3

Unscramble

1. thought liked she Everyone the skirt. tartan
2. knew she awful. She looked
3. cup up tea of picked She tipped over it. a and
4. kitchen. corner washing in a of the The machine was
5. hamsters knew what do. could she
6. paws back upward. It on stood its reached and
7. silly. mind didn't called being Holly
8. going never rid her of She was to birthday terrible get present.
9. up Holly step took another ladder. the
10. ladder. on stood frozen dismay Holly the with
11. upset She bear couldn't just Aunty Sue. to
12. about what thought I I'd have skirt. said that

Who Said?

1. 'Holly loves it.'
2. 'Holly, you silly girl!'
3. 'What's that glue doing on the floor?'
4. 'Never mind, Mum'll wash the tea out.'
5. 'I think I can mend it.'



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Worksheet 4

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Chapter 4

Fill the gaps using these words: flapped dizzy gazed flapped bedroom joggled
biting flowery everything chance bright knew

1. Then she _____ her elbow.
2. The checks make people _____.
3. It _____ merrily in the wind.
4. Holly was in her _____ feeling miserable.
5. The whole family _____ through the window.
6. The terrible tartan skirt _____ nearly to the ground.
7. It's a very _____ skirt.
8. Isn't it funny how Scooby Doo _____ you hated it.
9. Scooby Doo just likes _____ games.
10. I saw some _____ skirts in the market.
11. This was her _____ to speak out at last.
12. Scooby Doo made _____ come right.

Change the underlined word but not the meaning

1. Vinegar splashed all over her tartan skirt.
2. Spilling vinegar was only the beginning of her plan.
3. Holly was in her bedroom feeling miserable.
4. The whole family gazed through the window.
5. 'What a shame,' said Mum.