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**The Terrible Power of House Rabbit**

Worksheet 1

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1. What does the word 'sinister' mean?
2. Why did Fluffy seem the wrong name for the rabbit?
3. What is a pyramid, what and where were the original pyramids?
4. What did the boy usually do when he came in from school?
5. What did House Rabbit do that made the boy feel uncomfortable?
6. What does the word 'menacing' mean?
7. What was different about the house and how did it feel?
8. What had happened to the boy's castle?
9. Why do you think the author uses the simile 'as calm as custard'?
10. How did the boy react to the tidy house? How do you think you would react?



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Worksheet 2

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1. Why did Mum think Ben was being silly?
2. How do you think Toby felt about Fluffy? What is your evidence?
3. What was Mum's reaction to the rabbit?
4. Would you like Fluffy in your house? Why, or why not?
5. Why does the author say, 'I had to obey'?
6. What is a craze? Have you ever followed one? Why, or why not?
7. What did Ben see to shock him?
8. What does Ben compare his family to, and why?
9. Why do you think the illustrator has drawn Fluffy as he has on page 30?
10. Ben now tidies up his knights. What do you think has happened to him?



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Worksheet 3

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1. What is disinfectant and where would you use it?
2. Does Melissa believe what Ben says about House Rabbit? What is your evidence?
3. The author uses the simile 'as empty as a desert' to describe the carpet. Was that a good comparison? Why, or why not?
4. What does 'outraged' mean? Can you offer other words that would convey the same meaning?
5. The author uses lots of exclamation marks. Why do you think he does that?
6. Write out six examples of this use of exclamation marks from pages 36 & 37.
7. Ben's precious things were treasures only to him. What would your precious things be?
8. What do you think House Rabbit did/does to Ben? Why do you think that?
9. What does the word 'brainwash' mean? Write a sentence using the word so that its meaning is clear.
10. Give another word for 'brainwave'. Write a sentence using your chosen word.



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Worksheet 4

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1. What had House Rabbit done to the garden?
2. List some of the changes in House Rabbit that Ben and Melissa noticed.
3. What had House Rabbit seen, and what effect had it had on him?
4. What happened when Melissa left the door open?
5. Describe House Rabbit's eyes before and after meeting his little friend.
6. Were the family very sad at losing House Rabbit? What is your evidence?
7. What had made House Rabbit happy?
8. Describe his appearance now.
9. What has continued to happen in Ben's house?
10. Are you tidy or untidy? What do you do, or not do, in your house?