

## **Reading Comprehension – The Lost Happy Endings**

1. At the beginning of the story what is Jub's sack full of?

**A - Happy endings (incorrect if you wrote Lost happy endings as they were not lost at the beginning of the story)**

2. Where does Jub live?

**A – A cosy hole in a silver birch tree**

3. Who called Jub deario?

**A – The old woman/ witch**

4. How is the old woman described when Jub first meets her? Give 2 examples.

**A -You could have any of these answers**

- **“a twisted old woman”**
- **“face like the bark of a tree”**
- **“horrible claw hands”**
- **“fierce red eyes like poisonous berries”**

5. ‘Her touch nipped like pepper?’ What do you think this means?

**A - Jub's arm stung where the old woman touched her.**

6. Why doesn't Jub want the old woman to take the sack?

**A – You could have any of these answers**

- **She is frightened the old woman might snatch them away.**

- She does not like the old woman.
- It is none of the old woman's business.
- She knows how important the Happy Endings are and she does not want any harm to come to them.

7. How did the story Little Red Riding Hood end without the happy ending?

**A – The Big Bad wolf gobbled up Little Red Riding hood.**

8. Why was the witch furious when she opened the bag of happy endings?

**A – The witch thought the happy endings were boring and stupid. They were worthless to a witch.**

9. Why did the witch bite a head off a small bird?

**A – She was going to eat it. You could also say that it was because she was evil and liked killing things.**

10. Number these events to show the order in which they happened.

- The old woman grabbed the sack. **4**
- The old woman grabbed Jub's arm. **1**
- Jub tripped over a tree root. **3**
- The old woman spat green spittle at Jub. **2**