

Answers and mark scheme

The snow spider (pages 6–7)

- 1 2a – 1 mark. It means he wanted all his grandmother's attention for himself.
He wanted his grandmother to focus on him and nothing else.
- 2 2g – 2 marks for developed answer. It compares her eyes to a child's eyes and tells you that her eyes were wide open with excitement just like a child's would be when they saw something new or exciting.
1 mark for undeveloped answer. It tells you that she was excited and was staring.
- 3 2g – 1 mark. To tell the reader that Gwyn wasn't quite sure what it was/hadn't seen anything like it before.
- 4 2b – 1 mark. *'But did I make it, Nain?' or: Gwyn watched and felt that it was Nain who was the magician and he the enchanted one.*
- 5 2b – 1 mark for a correctly identified simile, e.g. *and there it rested, shining like a star beneath her wild black curls.*
- 6 2g – 1 mark. To emphasise how cross/worried Nain was at the suggestion that Gwyn take the spider to a museum./To ensure that Gwyn got the message that he must not take the spider to the museum.
- 7 2b – 2 marks. 1 mark each for any two of the following:
She gave an ecstatic gasp when she saw it./Her eyes sparkled like a child's./She took the spider and placed it on her arm./She danced while the spider crawled up her sleeve.