

Iron Man – Chapter one

ANSWERS

AF2

'Nobody knew the Iron Man had fallen'. Why not?

Nobody knew the Iron Man had fallen because it was night time.

AF3

Do you think the Iron Man is a good or a bad character? Explain why.

e.g I think the Iron Man is a bad character because he uses his finger and jabs one of the gulls.

AF4

Ted Hughes spends a long time describing how the Iron Man's body parts fit themselves back together. What effect does this have on the reader?

The reader feels like they really get to know him and can visualise what he looks like.

AF5

Why do you think Hughes uses so many similes to describe the Iron Man?

Ted Hughes uses lots of similes to help the reader understand what each body part looks like and how it moves.

AF6/7

Ted Hughes was a poet as well as a storyteller. Can you find any evidence to suggest he has thought carefully about the sound of the words and phrases he has chosen? (e.g CRASH! CRASH! CRASH!)

Ted Hughes uses onomatopoeia to describe how the body parts move. He also uses repetition of words e.g 'hop,hop,hop'.