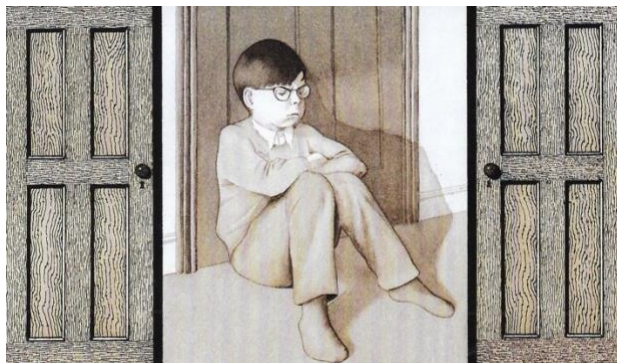


Year 3 and 4

Guided Reading Task

Objective	Task
We are learning to answer comprehension questions	<p><b>Do it!-</b> Listen to The Night Shimmy: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h7ypmw-OJU0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h7ypmw-OJU0</a></p> <p><b>Next steps-</b> Answer the questions below.</p>

### Guided Reading: Questions about The Night Shimmy



1. Who do you think the Night Shimmy is? Tick one of the options below or add your own answer.

A real friend of Eric's \_\_\_\_\_

A visiting wizard \_\_\_\_\_

A superhero like Batman or Superman \_\_\_\_\_

Eric himself imagining that he is the Night Shimmy \_\_\_\_\_

An imaginary friend of Eric's \_\_\_\_\_

2. Explain **why** you think that.

3. What sort of things does the Night Shimmy do for Eric? Mention at least three things.
4. Why do you think the Night Shimmy disappears at the end of the story?
5. When does the parrot **first** appear in the story?
6. When does it become real?
7. How many parrots are there on the page which begins, 'They began to talk.'?
8. What do you think the parrot suggests about how Eric is feeling at the end of the story?
9. Look at the page, 'Eric slammed his bedroom door shut...' Why do you think Anthony Browne has drawn the picture just in greys and browns?
10. With most of the pictures in the book, it is a bit like we are looking through a window that is surrounded by black. How are the last three pages different?
11. **Why** do you think are they different?