

The King of Fishes

- 1) What sort of climate do you think there is, where Li lives?
a) Desert b)Temperate c)Polar

Even if you are not sure about the different types of climate, you can work this one out with a bit of detective work.

- b) Because the text says the waters are icy, so it can't be a) as there aren't many seas in the desert! Li's mum says the roof of the house needs mending to stop the winter winds whipping through the house, which indicates that the winter weather is cold and windy. Finally, when Li goes to meet the King of Fishes, he runs through a forest. There aren't forests in Polar regions or deserts.

- 2) Where did Li sell his fish?

In the market.

- 3) Why did Li think the fish he caught was so beautiful?

It had silver scales which glittered in the sunlight, blood red fins and a golden crown.

- 4) Which word does the author use to describe Li taking the King of Fishes out of the water?

Scooped.

- 5) What type of grammar is 'a flick of the fin'?

Alliteration.

- 6) Why did Li spend the whole night pacing up and down?

He couldn't decide which of his family's wishes to go for, realising that he had only one wish and he wanted to please them all.

- 7) Do you think Li is a kind man? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

Yes, because, he throws the fish back into the water when he feels guilty and thinks about its family.

Also, he wants to please all three of his own family members, whilst recognising that his own father's blindness was terrible.