Qu	estion	Answer
1.	Which present did the narrator want most of all?	a bike
2.	What does the word "more" tell us in verse 2? Tick one.	His aunts have given him underpants before.
	He wanted underpants.	
	His aunts have given him underpants before.	
	He had already opened underpants in a different present.	
	He did not like his aunt.	
3.	"And socks (grey, one pair)" (verse 2). Why didn't the poet write: "And one pair of grey socks"?	 The last word in the line must rhyme with "bear" (verse 2). "And one pair of grey socks" does not fit with the rhythm and rhyme of the poem.
4.	Write two pairs of rhyming words from the first two verses.	Accept any two of: • "like"/"bike" • "train"/"plane" • "there"/"bear"/"pair" (accept any two of these words)
5.	Which word in verse 3 tells you the narrator did not feel happy?	"tried"

6. Why did the narrator say "thank He was being polite. vou" even if he didn't like the He had good manners. present? His mum would say he had to. (a) It's a bike. 7. "It's a big surprise/we've kept it in the shed" (verse 4). (b) • The narrator really wanted a bike, which (a) What did the narrator think is a big present and might be kept in when he heard that? a shed. The narrator was thinking about a bike (b) Explain your answer. when he heard the words. How do you think the narrator will Нарру 8. feel when he sees the present? A hippo would be a great present because no one else would have one. The child could take it to show and tell. A hippo is a big surprise, just as the child was told. Not happy They really wanted a bike. Hippos are dangerous. A hippo would not be happy living in a shed. 1 The child receives his big surprise. The poem has five verses. Draw 9. lines to match the main idea to The child is disappointed. 2. each of the five verses. (See right.) 3 The child opens his presents. The child is told there is one last big present. The child says what he would like for his birthday.