

Friday - Answers

1. Look at the first paragraph. What two impressions do you get of the battlefield?
Give two impressions using evidence from the text to support your answer.

Impression	Evidence
There were plants and lovely smells around.	The scent of the orange blossom swept through the air and lingered all around, mixing with the fragrance of the roses
It was very warm	The air was hot and sticky
It was noisy	Then a sound, a cry, a cry of battle/ the clinking of armour and the clanking of swords.

- You can have 3 marks for 2 of these impressions followed with the evidence from the text.

- You can have 2 marks if you just found 2 impressions with no evidence from the text.

- You can have 2 marks if you found 1 impression with evidence from the text.

- You can have 1 mark if you found 1 impression with no evidence from the text.

3 marks

2. *Then a sound, a cry, but not an ordinary cry, a cry of battle, a call to war!*

Why do you think the author calls it 'a cry of battle'? - 2 marks

The author has used personification to make the image more real for the reader.

3. Look at paragraph 3. How does the author give the impression that the battle went on for a long time? - 1 mark. It says 'they fought for hours' / The author repeats 'up the hill' which shows they were walking for a long time.

4. *Up the hill, up the hill, and up the hill, and up the hill,*

Look at this sentence from the start of paragraph 3. Why does the author repeat this so many times? - 1 mark To emphasise to the reader how long they were walking for.

5. Look at the first 2 lines of paragraph 4. The man they are describing is very important. Find two pieces of evidence from the text that show this. (2 marks)

The man they are describing is important as it says he is the leader of the men/ the author makes him sound important by describing him wearing a wide hat of red and gold.

6. Look at the final paragraph. Find and copy 2 ways that show Micheletto was desperate to be the leader. - (2 marks) He fell to his knees and begged to have one more chance.

7. Look back through the text. Put a tick in the correct box to show whether each of the following statements is a fact or an opinion. (2 marks)

	Fact	Opinion
There was a beautiful smell on the battlefield.		✓
There were oranges, pomegranates and flowers	✓	
Micheletto was the first leader of the men.	✓	
Micheletto wasn't a good leader.		✓

Now look on the website at the entire poem that this extract was taken from.

Use a dictionary or the internet to look up any tricky words.

Now try to write a summary of the text in as few sentences as possible.

