

A MONSTER CALLS QUESTIONS

Chapter I: A Monster Calls

1. Describe the monster in a couple of sentences.
2. Was the first chapter just a nightmare or real? Explain using on evidence.

Chapter II: Breakfast

1. What does Conor have for breakfast?
2. How would you describe Conor's mum?

Chapter III: School

1. How is Conor treated in school?
2. Why does Conor lie in the end?

Chapter IV: Life Writing

1. Mindmap of 10 events in your life.

Chapter V: Three Stories

1. What is Conor/Lily's relationship?
2. What happened with Conor's dad?
3. How does Conor spend his day after school?
4. What happens at 12:07?
5. How was his nightmare different?
6. Explain the monster with five sentences.

Chapter VI: Grandma

1. How is Conor's grandmother different?
2. What does she want to talk to him about?
3. What happens in the end?
4. Why would Conor be unable to sleep?

Chapter VII: The Wildness of Stories

1. How had Conor's attitude changed towards the monster?
2. Where did the berries come from?

Chapter VIII: The First Tale

1. Summarise the first story in 5-10 sentences.
2. How do you think the first story end?

Chapter IX: The Rest of the First Tale

1. What did the monster do to the Queen?
2. Who actually killed the farmer's daughter?

Chapter X: Understanding

1. Why did people start whispering about Conor?
2. Do you think Lily is to blame? Why?

3. What does Ms. Kwan tell Conor?

Chapter XI: Little Talk

1. Where does Conor's Mum have to go? Why?
2. Describe Conor's Mum in two sentences.
3. What is the big new about Conor's Dad?

Chapter XII: Grandma's House

1. What is forbidden in his Grandmother's house?
2. Who appears at the end? How does Conor respond?

Chapter XIII: Champ

1. What does Conor's Dad want to arrange by Christmas?
2. What is Conor's Dad's name?
3. What does Conor's Dad say about Conor moving to America?
4. What are Conor's nicknames?

Chapter XIV: Americans Don't Get Much Holiday

1. How long is the Dad staying? Why?
2. Where does the Monster appear? Why has he come?

Chapter XV: The Second Tale

1. When does the Second Tale take place?
2. What has happened to the environment?
3. Explain the picture in 3 sentences.
4. What is an Apothecary? What is their job?
5. Why is a yew tree important for healing?
6. What is a parson? Why does he beg for forgiveness?
7. What do you think happens next?

Chapter XVI: The Rest of the Second Tale

1. Was the Apothecary evil? Why or why not?
2. What does the Monster do to the Parson's house?
3. What does Conor do to his Grandmother's house?

Chapter XVII: Destruction

1. How did Conor's hands look?
2. How does his Grandmother react?
3. What does Conor do after she leaves?

Chapter XVIII: Invisible

1. What does Conor have for breakfast?
2. How is Conor treated in school?
3. What does Conor want Harry to do?

Chapter XIX: Yew Trees

1. How many tubes are attached to Conor's Mother?
2. What is the drug she's getting made up?

Chapter XX: Could it Be?

1. Why is the Dad leaving?
2. When is the Dad coming back?

Chapter XXI: No Tale

1. How does the Chapter begin?
2. Explain Conor's main nightmare.
3. What does he ask the tree to do?

Chapter XXII: I No Longer See You

1. What do Anton/Sully do?
2. What does Harry offer Conor? When does it happen?
3. Who appears in the end?

Chapter XXIII: The Third Tale

1. What does Conor do to Harry? Why?
2. What happens in the end?

Chapter XXIV: Punishment

1. Where did Harry get sent to? What did Conor do to him?
2. Who else saw what Conor did?
3. What is Conor's punishment? Why?

Chapter XXV: A Note

1. How is Conor's life after the incident?
2. Who was the note from? What does it say? Why is it important?

Chapter XXVI: 100 Years

1. What's 'the talk' about with Conor's Mother?
2. Why does his mom fall asleep?

Chapter XXVII: What's the Use of You?

1. Why is Conor angry with the monster?
2. In 4-5 sentences. create your own "fourth tale" from Conor's perspective.
3. What's the real reason the monster appeared?

Chapter XXVIII: The Fourth Tale

1. Explain the real nightmare in 4-5 sentences.
2. Describe the new Monster in 2 sentences.

Chapter XXIX: The Rest of the Fourth Tale

1. Describe the picture on page 182 - 183 in 3 sentences.
2. What does the Monster want Conor to do?
3. What is Conor's truth that he admits?

Chapter XXX: Life After Death

1. What do the four stories have in common?

Chapter XXXI: Something in Common

1. What's the surprising thing his Grandmother does?
2. What does Conor share in common with his Grandma?

Chapter XXXII: The Truth

1. Why do you think 12:07 is important?
2. Find 5 final quotations.