



THE ADVENTURES OF YOUNG H.C. Andersen and the Magic Hat

How does H.C. Andersen have such an active imagination? Which H.C. Andersen fairy tale inspired Disney's *Frozen*? Read *The Adventures of Young H.C. Andersen and the Magic Hat* to find out!

QUESTIONS

1. Karen and H.C. must escape from the innkeeper's house. When she puts on the hat, Karen imagines that she escapes with the help of a ...
 - a. Bird
 - b. Monkey
 - c. Lizard
 - d. Bee
2. H.C.'s hat represents his ...
 - a. Imagination
 - b. Hunger
 - c. Height
 - d. Emotions
3. When a grown-up, ghostly H.C. is at the theater, he is with ...
 - a. William Shakespeare
 - b. Ernest Hemingway
 - c. Victor Hugo
 - d. All of the above
4. Disney's *Frozen* was inspired by ...
 - a. "The Tinderbox"
 - b. "The Snow Queen"
 - c. "The Little Match Girl"
 - d. "The Little Mermaid"
5. What happens when H.C. puts the magic hat on his head?
6. Although *Frozen* is very different from "The Snow Queen," there are some similarities. Please list two similarities between *Frozen* and "The Snow Queen."

TRUE OR FALSE?

- _____ 1. H.C.'s father gifts him with a magical top hat.
- _____ 2. The Little Mermaid steals H.C.'s hat when he is walking through the city.
- _____ 3. The innkeeper puts H.C. and Karen in the attic.
- _____ 4. When the innkeeper puts on H.C.'s hat, she imagines that she is surrounded by gold and other treasures.
- _____ 5. The vicious dogs who bared their teeth at Marius are from the fairy tale "Thumbelina."
- _____ 6. H.C.'s mother was the inspiration for his fairy tale "The Little Match Girl."

ANSWERS

- 1. a. Bird.** According to page 52, we know that when Karen puts on H.C.'s magical hat, she imagines that a bird helps them escape from the innkeeper's house. So, the correct answer is A.
- 2. a. Imagination.** According to section "The H.C. Chronicles" on page 55, we know that "While my grandfather gave me a magical hat that represents my imagination, I did not imagine all the people in this book." So, the correct answer is A.
- 3. d. All of the above.** According to section "Who's Who" on pages 56 and 57, we know that such literary figures as William Shakespeare, Voltaire, Edgar Allan Poe, Ernest Hemingway, and Victor Hugo join H.C. at the theater. So, the correct answer is D.
- 4. 4. b. "The Snow Queen."** According to section "Magical Movie Makeover" on page 62, we know that "[Frozen] was inspired by 'The Snow Queen.'" So, the correct answer is B.
- According to the introduction on page 1, we know that "When I put my hat on my head, I am transported to marvelous places with marvelous people."
- According to section "Magical Movie Makeover" on pages 62 and 63, we know that "Animals helped both Anna and Gerda find their loved ones" and "In *Frozen*, Anna's heart is turned to ice. In 'The Snow Queen,' Kai's heart and eyes are turned to ice ... in a way. He is cold towards Gerda."

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWERS

- 1. False.** According to page 8, we know that "I was visiting my grandfather ... and ... he gave me his top hat!" So, the correct answer is False.
- 2. False.** According to page 16, we know that Marius steals H.C.'s, when H.C. is walking down the street. So, the correct answer is False.
- 3. False.** According to page 39, we know that the innkeeper throws H.C. and Karen in the cellar (basement). So, the correct answer is False.
- 4. True.** According to page 40, we know that, when the innkeeper puts on H.C.'s hat, she is surrounded by gold and other jewels. So, the correct answer is True.
- 5. False.** According to section "What's What" on page 58, we know that "Remember those vicious dogs who bared their teeth? Their tongues were made of snakes? You might have tried to block that scary scene from your memory. Those dogs come from one of my tales: 'The Tinderbox.'" So, the correct answer is False.
- 6. True.** According to section "What's What" on pages 58 and 59, we know that "You met Karen, the main character in my story 'The Little Match Girl.' My mother inspired this story." So, the correct answer is True.