

# 'Dangerous Trainers'

Prediction Questions with Predicting Pip

Predicting Pip tries to see the future and she will help you work out what might happen next.



Vocabulary Questions with Vocabulary Victor

Vocabulary Victor will help you to look at how authors and poets have chosen to use certain words and phrases.



#### Front Cover

- What does the word 'dangerous' mean?
- What do you predict this story will be about? How will the trainers be dangerous?
- Can you predict the ending of the story and then see if you are right at the end?

## Thud thud thud

- What do you think 'gangway' means? Use the picture and the words around the word to guess what the meaning is.
- Why does the author compare the trainers to 'a herd of elephants?
- Pause at page 8. What do you predict might happen next in the story? What will happen with the shoes overnight?
- How do you predict the shoes have moved?

#### A life of their own

- What does the word carnivorous mean? If you are unsure think about what the shoes have just eaten!
- What do you predict will happen in the next chapter? Will the mouse get away? Will the boy go back to bed?

### Leave them alone!

- Do you think the shoes come alive or do you think he is dreaming?
- Pause at the end of 28. Do you predict his brother will still wear the trainers?
- Do you think leaving the shoes on the bus was an accident? Why do you think this?

# Extra ideas

- Can you write a story about a piece of clothing that comes alive? E.g. The mischievous socks, cunning cap, the horrible hat! etc.
- Can you design a beware poster for the dangerous trainers? It could include the location they went missing and things to watch out for!
- Can you write a different ending for the story? Maybe the trainers come back to the house? Or they are found years later by the boys!