

The Mouse and the Motorcycle

Questions Chapter 7

1. What happened to the vacuum?
 - a) The attachment had fallen off and the maid did not notice because she was distracted by the busboy.
 - b) The maid was distracted by her thoughts and did not notice that the attachment had fallen off.
 - c) The housekeeper was distracted by her thoughts and did not notice the attachment had fallen off.
 - d) The attachment had fallen off and the housekeeper did not notice because she was on her phone.
2. What danger was Ralph in when the attachment was loose?
 - a) danger of getting covered with dust
 - b) danger of being stepped on by the maid
 - c) danger of being sucked up by the hose
 - d) danger of being hit by the flying hose
3. **T F True or False:** Ralph abandoned the motorcycle to run from the vacuum.
4. **T F True or False:** The awful machine inhaled Ralph's tail.
5. What kept Ralph from being sucked up into the vacuum?
 - a) the vacuum cleaner
 - b) the motorcycle
 - c) the maid
 - d) Keith

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6. With the vacuum cleaner running. The maid thought the housekeeper would think she was working, but she was actually... (choose 3)

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| a) arranging her hair | d) dreaming of the busboy |
| b) dusting the furniture | e) staring out the window |
| c) smiling in the mirror | f) cleaning the bathroom |

7. How did Ralph know he was making progress?

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| a) He could see his tail. | c) He could see his left paw. |
| b) He could see his right paw. | d) He could see his tummy. |

8. Who does Ralph argue with about riding the motorcycle in the daytime?

9. What was the important experiment Ralph had to do?

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| a) motorcycle vs. vacuum cleaner | c) motorcycle vs. Keith |
| b) motorcycle vs. Ralph | d) vacuum cleaner vs. Ralph |

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10. What predicaments did Ralph get himself into? (choose 3)

- a) Ralph tipped the motorcycle over into the trash can again.
- b) Ralph found himself flatten against the wall by the baseboard under the bed.
- c) Ralph took off faster than he intended and lost control.
- d) Ralph found himself bumping along in a strange ghostly place—into a pillowcase in the heap of laundry.
- e) Ralph shot under the bed just as the vacuum died with a long-drawn out groan.
- f) Ralph got away from the vacuum just as the maid noticed him and the motorcycle.

11. How did Ralph know he was going in the wrong direction?

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| a) He came to the end of the pillowcase. | c) He came to a seam in the pillowcase. |
| b) He came to where he had started. | d) He came to the middle of the pillowcase. |

12. What did the swishing sounds tell Ralph?

- a) the maid was leaving
- b) the housekeeper was coming
- c) the maid was gathering the dirty laundry
- d) the maid was unfolding clean sheets

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13. What did Ralph know was happening when the barking started coming from above him.

- a) The terrier had been snatched up.
- b) The terrier had left the room.
- c) The terrier was nearby.
- d) The terrier had come back.

14. What did Ralph know was happening to him?

- a) He knew he was being carried out with the trash.
- b) He knew he was being carried out to the parking lot.
- c) He knew he was being carried to the basement.
- d) He knew he was being carried with the laundry.

15. **T** **F** **True or False:** Ralph knew he would have to start clawing his way through the pillowcase with his sharp claws.

16. What did Ralph have to abandon in order to save himself?

17. **T** **F** **True or False:** Finally, Ralph made his way to the top of the laundry hamper.

18. **T** **F** **True or False:** Ralph was so exhausted after his ordeal that he fell asleep under Keith's bed.

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19. **Sequence of Events:** Ralph ran into a pretty big problem in Chapter 7. Put the events in order of their occurrence. Number the sentences 1st-7th. See chapter 7 in the book for help.

- _____ a. Gradually light began to filter through the cloth until finally, when Ralph thought he could not force his jaws to close on one more mouthful of fiber, he emerged into daylight at the top of the hamper.
- _____ b. The maid came into Keith's room with the vacuum cleaner to clean the room.
- _____ c. When the vacuum cleaner stopped, Ralph was shot into a pillowcase. The maid piled more laundry on top.
- _____ d. Ralph dragged himself off to the mousehole to catch up on the sleep he should have had that day.
- _____ e. Ralph ripped into the pillowcase with his sharp teeth and in no time he had made a ragged hole which he crawled through.
- _____ f. Ralph was forced to make a decision. He chose to save himself and abandon the motorcycle.
- _____ g. The vacuum attachment fell off and the vacuum started sucking up things around the room.

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