

## Chapter Sequencing

Put these events in the order in which they happened in the story, numbering them from 1 to 5. The first one has been done for you.

Nell reassured Ben that everything would be fine.

Ben and Rocky went out to the garden.

Ben's mum collected Ben and Rocky from Nell's house.

Mum told Ben that he should take more care of Rocky.

Rocky told Ben why he didn't enjoy learning tricks.

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1. *Before she could say anything else, Rocky burst past her.*

What does the word 'burst' mean in the sentence above?

2. Look at the paragraph beginning: *"Hello," said Nell...* to the paragraph ending: *...you doing here?"*

Do you think that Ben normally greets his mum in this way? Give a reason for your answer.

3. Look at the paragraph beginning: *"Sorry Ben. I'd...* to the paragraph ending: *...do now Ben?"*

Why did Ben growl at Rocky?

4. Look at the paragraph beginning: *Ben thought for...* to the paragraph ending: *...eyed the fence.*

Explain why Ben had found it difficult to teach Rocky to do tricks.

5. Ben was happy behaving like a dog until he needed the toilet. Why do you think he couldn't bring himself to follow Rocky's advice about using the tree?