

The Tyger

By William Blake

Look at your questions.

What reading skill are you using to answer each question?

Write it next to the question.

Vocabulary

Infer

Predict

Explain

Retrieve

Summarise



Vocabulary

- On what wings dare he **aspire**?

If you **aspire to** something such as an important job, you have a strong desire to achieve it.

- What the hand, dare **seize** the fire?

If you **seize** something, you take hold of it quickly, firmly, and forcefully.

- What the **anvil**?

An **anvil** is a heavy iron block on which hot metals are beaten into shape.

- What **immortal** hand or eye,

Someone or something that is **immortal** is famous and likely to be remembered for a long time.

- Dare frame thy fearful **symmetry**?

Something that has **symmetry** is symmetrical in shape, design, or structure.

Questions

1. Why does the poet describe the tyger as '*burning bright*' throughout the poem?
2. Find and copy an adjective used to describe the tyger.
3. Explain in your own words, what you think this poem is about.
4. Find and copy five examples of alliteration from the poem.
5. Is this a modern poem? Explain, using evidence from the text to support your answer.