


'Charlotte's Web' Comprehension

Use the text to help you answer the questions below.

 If you see a light bulb next to the question, you will need to think about your own thoughts or opinions, based on what you have read.

1. What had happened in the hoghouse overnight?

Pigs had been born.

2. What does the word 'sopping' mean?

It means that something is really wet or soaking wet.

3. What was Mr. Arable going to do with the small pig?

He was going to kill it

4. What was in the carton that Mr. Arable brought into the house?

The baby pig for Fern

5. Give two of the smells from the kitchen on p.4?

Choice of: coffee, bacon, damp plaster and wood-smoke from the stove.

6. How did Fern feel when she saw what was inside the carton?

Fern felt very excited/happy etc. - she kissed her mother and father and then held the pig against her cheek.

 7. Why did Fern get a pig and not Avery? What does this suggest about Avery?

Dad said that he'd only give pigs to 'early risers' and Avery had not got out of bed early enough. This suggests that Avery is quite lazy and doesn't like getting up in the morning.

8. What did Fern feed Wilbur?

She fed him milk

9. What did Wilbur do to stay warm in the box outside?

Made a tunnel out of straw and burying himself inside.

10. Why didn't Wilbur want to go into the water on p.12?

It was too cold for him

