



The Firework-Maker's Daughter

First name	
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Date of birth	
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Read Chapter 1 and answer the retrieval questions.

Question

1

How is Lila described at the beginning of the chapter?

Tick **one**.

She's always laughing and eating her food.

☐

She's always crying and eating her food.

☐

She's always crying and refusing her food.

☐

She's always laughing and refusing her food.

☐

1 mark

Question

2

Number these fireworks in the order that Lila made them.

The first one has been done for you.

Tumbling Demons

☐

Leaping Monkeys

☐

Golden Sneezes

☐

Crackle-Dragons

☐

1

Java Lights

☐

1 mark



Question
3a

What does Lila want to do in the future?

1 mark

Question
3b

What does Lila's father, Lalchand, want her to do?

1 mark



Look at the paragraph that starts *Now the King of that country...*

What does the King do when he wants to punish one of his courtiers?

Tick **one**.

He sends them to jail.

☐

He sends them silk sheets.

☐

He sends them Turkish Delight.

☐

He sends them a White Elephant.

☐

1 mark

Look at the paragraph that starts *Every afternoon Chulak would take the White Elephant...*

Who knows the White Elephant can talk?

Give **two** names.

1. _____

2. _____

1 mark



Near the end of the chapter, Chulak asks Lila's father, Lalchand, how he became a Firework-Maker.

Give **two** things Lalchand had to do.

1. _____

2. _____

2 marks



Read Chapter 3 and answer the language questions.

Question

1

The **mighty** beast had never been so surprised in his life.

The word *mighty* is closest in meaning to...

Tick **one**.

weak.

☐

angry.

☐

powerful.

☐

friendly.

☐

1 mark

Question

2

'Fine pirates you are. I hope you're **ashamed**.'

Which word is closest in meaning to *ashamed*?

Tick **one**.

confident

☐

sorry

☐

very happy

☐

angry

☐

1 mark



Question

3

*'No, really, this is a much better idea than piracy,' Rambashi said. **'It came to me in a flash...'***

What impression do the words *'It came to me in a flash'* give you about Rambashi's idea?

1 mark

Question

4

***[Lila] felt her heart lift** when she saw [the mountain] again, so powerful and dominating...*

What do the words *Lila felt her heart lift* suggest about how Lila feels?

1 mark



Question
5

One of the slaves who'd come to play Elephant's Footsteps was hiding under a bush nearby; and as soon as he realized what he'd seen, he began to tremble. Helping the White Elephant to escape was a terrible crime. There'd be a terrible punishment – and there might be a great reward for the person who pointed out the criminal.

So when Lalchand began to trudge homewards, the slave silently followed him to find out who he was and where he lived.

Find and **copy one** word that means *walk slowly and tiredly*.

1 mark

Question
6

*The full moon was rising. And as it rose the music rose too, the gongs and the xylophones and the cymbals all **summoning** the Goddess from the lake.*

Which word is closest in meaning to *summoning*?

Tick **one**.

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|----------|--------------------------|
| scaring | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| calling | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| shouting | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| stopping | <input type="checkbox"/> |

1 mark



Read Chapter 5 and answer the inference questions.

Question

1

Read the first two paragraphs of Chapter 5.

What impression of the cave setting do these paragraphs create?

The cave feels like...

Tick **one**.

a hot, unwelcoming place.

☐

a hot, friendly place.

☐

a dark, comfortable place.

☐

a cold, scary place.

☐

1 mark

Question

2

Look at the paragraph that starts *Harsh barren walls rose...*

At this part of the story, Lila feels...

Tick **one**.

disappointed.

☐

confused.

☐

angry.

☐

happy.

☐

1 mark



Question
3

Read two paragraphs from *And then into the heart of the light...*

How is Razvani made to seem frightening?

Give **two** ways.

1. _____
2. _____

2 marks

Question
4a

Read two paragraphs from *She was terribly afraid.*

What do these paragraphs tell you about Lila's character?

Lila is...

Tick **one**.

- | | |
|----------|--------------------------|
| timid. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| patient. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| brave. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| careful. | <input type="checkbox"/> |

1 mark



Question
4b

Choose **one** of Lila's actions from these two paragraphs that supports your previous answer.

1 mark

Question
5

Why does Razvani show Lila the ghosts?

1 mark



Read two paragraphs from *And there was a small figure beside her...*

What evidence is there that Chulak is a good friend to Lila?

1 mark



Read Chapter 7 and answer the summary questions.

Question

1

Look at the paragraph that starts *And while the three visiting Firework-Makers were assembling their displays...*

Which is the best summary of how Lila and Lalchand succeed?

Tick **one**.

They work on their tasks separately with lots of breaks.

☐

They work on their tasks together with few breaks.

☐

They argue about their tasks and make mistakes.

☐

The other Firework-Makers help them.

☐

1 mark

Question

2

Match each Firework-Maker to the summary of their big fireworks display.

Dr Puffenflasch



flying saucers, a moon and moon people



Signor Scorcini



rockets with lava and a giant prawn



Colonel Sparkington



lotus flowers, glowing water and a fire grotto



Lila and Lalchand



red, white and green rockets with an octopus and King Neptune



1 mark



Match each character's name to their actions in Chapter 7.

Lila	●	●	gets his job back.
Lalchand	●	●	presents the prize.
Chulak	●	●	apologises to his daughter.
the King	●	●	becomes a Firework-Maker.

1 mark

Number these events from 1–5 in the order in which they happen in Chapter 7.

The first one has been done for you.

Lila's father tells her about the Three Gifts.

The Firework-Makers take part in a competition.

Lila and Lalchand are declared the winners.

The Firework-Makers prepare for a competition.

Lila and Lalchand's display is a huge success.

1 mark



Question
5

What is the message of the novel?

Tick **one**.

Do not trust a Firework-Maker.

☐

Put love and effort into achieving your dreams.

☐

Fire and fireworks are dangerous.

☐

Relying on your friends can get you in trouble.

☐

1 mark

Question
6

Which is the best summary of the whole book?

Tick **one**.

A girl called Lila goes on a quest to become a Firework-Maker.

☐

A man called Lalchand is disappointed in his daughter.

☐

An elephant called Hamlet escapes.

☐

A boy called Chulak cares for an elephant.

☐

1 mark

[End of questions]

