

Here is your comprehension questions on the poem 'If'. Remember to use the text to support your answers!

If By Rudyard Kipling

Answer in full sentences.

1. Who is the poem written for? Give evidence for your answer.

2. Why did Kipling write this poem?

3. Explain the phrase '...keep your head...'

4. What does the poet mean here? 'And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:'

5. Which poetic device is used in lines 11 and 12? Explain your answer.

6. Explain the phrase '...breathe a word...'

7. Which do you think is the best piece of advice? Why?

8. How do you feel having read the poem? Why did it make you feel that way?
