

Read carefully the passage *Things Go Wrong* in the Reading Booklet Insert, and then answer all the questions on this Question Paper.

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Question 1

- (a) Which **one** word in lines 2–3 tells you that Christopher was not really allowed to play near his father’s study?

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- (b) Who did Christopher think owned the paintings (lines 8–10)?

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- (c) Explain, **using your own words**, the game Christopher and his mother used to play with the paintings **and** how he responded to the game (lines 10–21).

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- (d) Explain, **using your own words**, what Christopher tells you about his mother’s character in lines 22–26.

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- (e) When Christopher’s mother first opened the study door, where was his father (lines 29–31)?

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(f) Explain, **using your own words**, what the narrator means by the last sentence of the passage: 'But this is how, with some hindsight, I have come to shape that memory.'

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(g) Explain, **using your own words**, what the narrator means by the words in italics in the following phrases:

(i) 'my *abiding* image is of my father *slumped*' (lines 29–30)

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(ii) '*contorted* with *frustration*' (line 31)

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(iii) '*reprimand* to make him *pull himself together*' (lines 38–39)

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[Turn over for Question 1(h)]

(h) Re-read paragraphs three and four (lines 29–44).

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The narrator uses the following phrases to describe his father's behaviour.

Choose **three** of the phrases and then explain how each one of them helps you to understand what he notices about his father.

- *'as though he had hurled them there in a temper fit'* (lines 34–35)
- *'said in a voice that rather shocked me'* (lines 35–36)
- *'my father did collect himself a little at this point'* (line 39)
- *'his face creased again with despair'* (line 41)

Phrase:

Explanation:

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