

Questions

1. What does the opening of the story reveal about Charlie's personality?

- A. He enjoys believing in supernatural stories.
- B. He prefers using logic and evidence to explain unusual events.
- C. He often invents imaginative explanations for everyday situations.
- D. He is easily frightened by mysterious events.

2. Why does Charlie become suspicious of Mr Orion on his first day?

- A. He arrives late for school.
- B. He tells the class he has travelled from another planet.
- C. He incorrectly says there are thirty-one pupils in the class and comments that "Earth mathematics" surprises him.
- D. He refuses to answer the pupils' questions.

3. What does the word *accumulate* most nearly mean in the sentence, "*Over the following weeks, the little oddities continued to accumulate.*"?

- A. To disappear gradually.
- B. To become more confusing.
- C. To increase or build up over time.
- D. To change unexpectedly.

4. Which of the following is not included in Charlie's "Evidence File"?

- A. Mr Orion thanks the classroom radiator.
- B. Mr Orion wears the same grey suit every day.
- C. Mr Orion never understands homework.
- D. Mr Orion calls mobile phones "portable communication rectangles."

5. Why is Charlie particularly disturbed when he looks into the staff room?

- A. He sees Mr Orion speaking in a strange language.
- B. The room is completely empty even though he can hear Mr Orion having a conversation.
- C. Mr Orion suddenly disappears.
- D. He discovers a strange machine hidden beneath a desk.

6. What does the recording inside the silver sphere suggest about the aliens' opinion of humans?

- A. Humans are too dangerous to study.
- B. Humans are the most intelligent species in the galaxy.
- C. Humans are fascinating because they often show kindness despite their differences.
- D. Humans are preparing to invade other planets.

7. Why does Dev faint?

- A. He is frightened after hearing the recording.
- B. Mr Orion transforms into an alien in front of him.
- C. Mr Orion calmly admits that he is an alien.
- D. The silver sphere explodes unexpectedly.

8. Which statement best describes Mr Orion's true purpose on Earth?

- A. To secretly prepare for an alien invasion.
- B. To observe humans and learn about their behaviour.
- C. To invent new technology for Earth.
- D. To recruit children to join his civilisation.

9. By the end of the story, what has Charlie learned about Mr Orion?

- A. He is far more dangerous than Charlie first believed.
- B. He dislikes humans and cannot wait to leave Earth.
- C. Although he is an alien, he understands kindness and people remarkably well.
- D. He has been pretending to be an alien as part of an experiment.

10. Which of the following best summarises the main message of the story?

- A. It is important to trust every first impression.
- B. People who seem different should not be trusted.
- C. Curiosity and open-mindedness can lead to understanding rather than fear.
- D. Science can explain every mystery in the universe.