

My Dog Ate My Homework

My dog ate my homework, I swear it's true,
A flimsy excuse, but what can I do?
With teeth like razors and a mischievous grin,
He devoured my assignment with a playful spin.

5 I begged and pleaded, but he wouldn't give in.
He just wagged his tail while bearing a grin.
Now my teacher stares, a blank look in her eyes,
As I try to explain with shaky replies.

10 "I left it on the table, but then came the hound,
And in one swift gulp, it was nowhere to be found!"
But alas, she shakes her head with a sigh,
And I hang my own, knowing it's all a lie.

So next time, dear Fido, please spare me the plight,
And leave my homework alone, out of sight!
15 For while you may find it a tasty treat,
I'd rather not suffer the teacher's heat!

Anonymous

Answer the questions below.

29. State the figure of speech that is used throughout the poem.
Give **ONE** detail from the poem to support your answer. (2 marks)

Figure of Speech _____

Detail _____

30. What are the **TWO** actions of the teacher in response to the child's excuse? (2 marks)

Action 1 _____

Action 2 _____

31. State the meaning of the following words used in the poem:

(i) flimsy (*line 2*) _____

(ii) swift (*line 10*) _____

(2 marks)

32. Suggest **TWO** possible reasons why the child blamed the dog for the missing homework. (2 marks)

Reason 1 _____

Reason 2 _____

33. What are **TWO** possible consequences that the child might face for not having his homework? (2 marks)

Consequence 1 _____

Consequence 2 _____

34. What type of person is the child in the poem? Give a reason for your answer. (2 marks)

Personality _____

Reason _____

Total

(12 marks)