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1. In the beginning of the story, John Arable was going to kill a baby pig that was a runt. What is a runt?

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2. Explain why Mr. and Mrs. Arable believed having a runt was a problem.

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3. How did Fern react to her father's decision?

a. understanding **b.** upset
c. calm **d.** mystified

4. What did Fern name her pig?

a. Wilbur **b.** Avery
c. Wilma **d.** John

5. Describe what Fern did to take care of her newborn pig.

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6. Fern quickly fell in love with her pig. Name one activity that Fern and her pig did together.

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7. What occurred when the pig was five weeks old?

a. He was moved outside.
b. He was big enough to sell.
c. He became very ill.
d. He was sent to live with the other pigs.

8. Who were the Zuckermans and why did Fern need to call them?

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9. Describe the barn.

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10. Explain how Wilbur escaped from his pen. Did he enjoy his freedom?

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11. In Chapter 4, why was Fern's pig so sad?

a. He wanted a friend.
b. He wanted to be free.
c. He wanted to be alive.
d. He missed his mother.

12. Circle five words that best describe Templeton.

fun	crafty	generous	sneaky	rat
sheep	glutton	bashful	smart	loving

13. At the end of Chapter 4, a kind voice spoke from the darkness, what did it say?

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