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Expressions used to show fear

Can you find the expressions in the story that tell you that the author was frightened? Read the story and complete the following sentences.

- 2. I sat there holding _____
- 3. In the light of the lamp I sat there like _____.
 Answer:
- 1. I was turned to stone.
- 2. I sat there holding my breath.
- 3. In the light of the lamp I sat there like a stone image in the flesh.

III.

Match the meanings with the words/expressions in italics, and write the appropriate meaning next to the sentence. The first one has been done for you.

- 1. I knew a man was following me, I was scared out of my wits. (very frightened)
- 2. I got a fright when I realised how close I was to the cliff edge.
- 3. He nearly jumped out of his skin when he saw the bull coming towards him.
- 4. You really gave me a fright when you crept up behind me like that.
- 5. Wait until I tell his story it will make your hair stand on end.
- 6. Paralysed with fear, the boy faced his abductors.
- 7. The boy hid behind the door, not moving a muscle.

Answer:

- 1. I knew a man was following me, I was scared out of my wits. (very frightened)
- 2. I got a fright when I realised how close I was to the cliff edge. (frightened by something that happens suddenly)
- 3. He nearly jumped out of his skin when he saw the bull coming towards him. (very frightened)
- 4. You really gave me a fright when you crept up behind me like that. (frightened by something that happens suddenly)
- 5. Wait until I tell his story it will make your hair stand on end. (makes another feel frightened)
- 6. Paralysed with fear, the boy faced his abductors. (too scared to move)
- 7. The boy hid behind the door, not moving a muscle. (too scared to move)

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IV.

Report these questions using if/whether or why/when/where/how/which/what.

Remember the italicised verbs change into the past tense.

- 1. Meena asked her friend, "Do you think your teacher will come today?"
- 2. David asked his colleague, "Where will you go this summer?"

- 3. He asked the little boy, "Why are you studying English?"
- 4. She asked me, "When are we going to leave?"
- 5. Pran asked me, "Have you finished reading the newspaper?"
- 6. Seema asked her, "How long have you lived here?"
- 7. Sheila asked the children "Are you ready to do the work?"

Answer:

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