Charlotte's Web

Guided Reading Questions and Activities Answers

Chapter 5 and 6

(AF2) Why does Wilbur struggle to sleep?
Wilbur could not sleep because his stomach was empty and his mind was full.

(AF3) How do you think Wilbur feels when he realises Charlotte is a spider?
Pupil's own response.

(AF4) What does the dialogue tell us about the characters?
The dialogue tells us that Charlotte is friendly and very clever because she explains a lot of things to Wilbur such as what 'salutations' means and about how she is a trapper. The dialogue shows us that Wilbur is desperate for a friend, even though he thinks that Charlotte isn't particular pleasant.

(AF5) Why does Wilbur call Charlotte 'bloodthirsty'?
Wilbur calls Charlotte bloodthirsty because she told him that she doesn't really eat the insects that she catches but instead, drinks their blood, which she loves.

(AF6) How does EB White create a feeling of summer in Ch. 6?
EB White creates a feeling of summer by describing the smells of lilac and apple blossom that fill the air. He says that the days 'grow warm and soft' and that school finishes.

(AF7) Can you think of any other stories about friendship?
Pupil's own response.