

○ What are Peter's sisters called?

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○ The word 'weary' means

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○ What features of this text suggest that it is fiction?

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○ What are 'couplings'?

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○ What was the penalty for pressing the bell to stop the train when there was no emergency?

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○ The author has spelt some words differently from usual. This is to show how the Porter speaks with a Yorkshire accent. Explain what the Porter means when he uses these words (underlined):

a) "If you could get a holt of one o' them when the train is going and pull 'em apart," said he, "she'd stop dead off with a jerk."

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b) "... the train 'ud stop."

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○ The Porter uses many old fashioned words, such as 'weltering' (rolling around), and some slang. In your own words, explain what he means by

a) 'someone kidded her on':

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b) 'I lay she didn't forget it in a hurry':

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