## **ENGLISH**

## Poor Ginger Guided Reading Answers

1. What is the name of the narrator? What type of creature is she?

Black Beauty, horse

2. Find 4 examples of words or phrases in the first paragraph which show how poor and dishevelled Ginger looks.

Old worn-out chestnut, unsteady, dull eye, poor creature

3. What feeling do the first two sentences of the second paragraph show? How do they show this?

Black Beauty is delighted to see Ginger. We know this because the exclamation mark has been used. This piece of punctuation also suggests that Black Beauty is shocked that this dishevelled horse is the Ginger she once knew.

4. Ginger has changed a lot since Beauty last saw her. Match the then and now statements with a line to show how she has changed.

Beautiful arched glossy neck – straight, lank, fallen in Clean straight legs and delicate fetlocks – swollen and joints that had grown out of shape

A face filled with spirit and life - now filled with suffering

**5. How long had Ginger been resting at Earlshall?**Twelve months

6. Why is Ginger being sold 'down the line'?

Ginger is being sold on quite often because her condition is deteriorating. We can assume that her price will be lowered each time as her new owners have had to care for her lank, thin frame.