I can answer questions about a text. (RL 1.1)

1. What problems do Hansel and Gretel have in the story?

2. Why do the woodcutter and his wife plan to leave Hansel and Gretel in the woods?

3. What does Hansel do when he hears the plan to leave him and Gretel in the woods? At first, does Hansel’s plan for solving the problem of being left in the woods work? Why or why not?

4. How does the stepmother feel when she sees Hansel and Gretel return? What does she do the next time she plans to leave them in the woods?

5. What is Hansel’s plan the next time he hears that he and Gretel will be left deep in the woods? Does his plan for solving the problem work this time? Why or why not?

6. Do you think the woodcutter should have gone along with his wife’s plan for leaving Hansel and Gretel in the woods when he knew it was wrong?

7. When Hansel and Gretel were lost in the woods, how did they end up finding the old woman’s house?

8. Describe the outside of the old woman’s house. Why is her house made of these things?

9. What new problem do Hansel and Gretel have after arriving at the woman’s house?

10. Hansel holds out a bone to trick the witch into thinking he is too skinny to eat. Does his plan work? Why or why not?

11. What does Gretel do to trick the wicked witch once she realizes the witch is planning to cook her?

12. What do the children do once the wicked witch is gone?

13. Who was the villain in this story? Why?

Do you think any of the characters in “Hansel and Gretel” are heroic? Describe what makes him/her heroic.

14. Do you think what happens in this fairy tale could really happen, or is it mostly fantasy (make believe)? How do you know?