

Badger on the Barge

1. In which season is the story set?
2. Why is Helen visiting Miss Brady?
3. Who is Peter?
4. What do you think happened to Peter?
5. Helen says her mum looked “as white and grey as a length of old string” – What impression does this give you of Helen’s mum?
6. How does Helen describe Miss Brady? (P5)
7. What sort of woman does she seem to be?
8. What evidence is there, that there is a badger on the barge?

Similes

A **simile** is when you say something is **like** something else. You use the words **like** or **as**.

“Yellow leaves of the big conker trees flickered and rustled **like** newspapers.”

“Mum looked as worn and grey **as** a length of old string”

“The sun was hung like a red _____”

“Her face was as _____”

“She just gave orders like _____”

“Miss Brady’s face looked as hard as _____”