

Class: 7	English	Ref. Book: GULMOHAR
Question Bank	TOPIC: AN UNCOMFORTABLE BED	Type: (SAQ)

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	Answer the following questions.	
1.	My friends were fond of practical jokes. I do not care to know people who are not. A. From the second sentence, what do you think the speaker valued in his friends? Ans: The second sentence tells us that the speaker valued a sense of humour in his	
	friends. B. Can you find any evidence in the text that supports the first sentence? Ans: The only evidence that we can find in the text for the first sentence is the way the speaker's friends laughed when they found out what had happened. We do not see them actually playing any practical joke on the speaker.	
2.	'Look out, old ferret! They have something in store for you.' a. Another meaning of 'ferret' is to find something by searching carefully. Why do you think the speaker called himself a ferret? Ans: The speaker calls himself a ferret because he was trying to find out what kind of prank his friends could play on him. He was trying to ferret out the truth, and he was also acting a bit like a ferret—hunting for clues and trying to 'catch' his friends.	
	b. What did he think his friends had in store for him?Ans: The speaker thought that his friends had set some kind of trap for him or set him up for a practical joke	
3.	I did not dare to get into the bed. Why didn't the speaker dare to get into the bed? Why did he finally go to bed? Ans: At first, the speaker did not dare to get into the bed because he was sure that his friends had made some arrangement in the bed for a prank. Yet, he also thought that his friends, who must be waiting for the success of their trick, would be laughing at him because he was too afraid to go to bed. He could not let them have so much fun at his expense and went to bed to challenge them	
4.	What made the narrator suspect that his friends had something in store for him? Ans: When the narrator arrived in Picardy to spend a few days with his friends, he was given an exceptionally grand reception. They cheered loudly and everything was exaggerated and there was excessive mirth without any reason. So, he concluded that they were planning to make him the victim of a big prank.	

5. Why did the narrator drag the mattress to the middle of the room?

Ans: As a precaution to ensure his safety, the narrator dragged the mattress along with the bed clothes to the middle of the room because he expected danger from the corner of the room. He probably thought he would be able to see the full room from the middle and protect himself easily.

