The Great Pet Sale – Comprehension Questions

Level 1

What did the sign in the pet shop window say?

How much did the rat cost?

Can you list the names of the 5 animals sitting on the perch?
Top Tip - *They all began with the letter P.*

Have you ever seen a salamander, a skink or a gecko? Can you look them up?

Which animal cost the most?

Level 2

The rat only cost 1p. Why do you think it cost less than all of the other animals?

Why was the dragon the most expensive animal in the shop?

If you had gone into the pet shop with £1. Which animal(s) would you have bought?

Level 3

Why do you think the rat was waiting by the window at the beginning of the story?

Why do you think the rat described the lizards as '*sausages on legs*'?

What does 'assorted' mean? What animals do you think were inside the box labelled 'ASSORTED LITTLE BROWN CREATURES'?
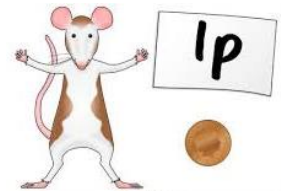
Level 4

A bargain is something that can be bought for very cheap price. Do you think the rat was a bargain? Why?

The koala and the anteater were '9p THE PAIR'. What does this mean? How much do you think they would cost each?

The little boy bought all of the animals. What do you think will happen to the pet shop now? What makes you think this?

The Great Pet Sale – Numeracy Activities

In your exercise book, draw lines to create a table like the one below.

Choose any 6 questions from the boxes below. Work out and write the answers to the questions inside the table in your exercise book.

How many pets were for sale in the Pet Shop altogether?	Choose two pets. Draw or use real 1p coins to show how much they cost together.	Write the order of the pets in the story. Which was the first, second, third… pet the boy saw in the shop?
Choose two pets. Draw them/Write their names. Tick which costs more. Circle which costs less.	Sort the pets into two sets - Those costing more/less than 6p.	Choose five pets and put them in value order i.e. cheapest to dearest.
What is the total cost of the pets behind the plastic rock?	Choose 2 or 3 pets. Calculate their total cost. Draw or use real coins to show this total.	What is the total cost of all of the pets on the perch?
Can you find a pair of pets with a value of 10p? How many pairs can you find?	Choose a total i.e. 8p. What 2 pets could you buy for a total of 8p? Are there any others?	Choose any 2 pets to buy. If you had 17p, how much change would you get?
Choose two pets. What is the difference in their costs?	Which pets could you pay for exactly using only 2p/5p coins?	The koala and the anteater cost 9p together. What could the value of each one be? How many different combinations can you find?