

Poem : The Shade

Q1 Answer the following questions

1) Who is the speaker in the poem?

A. The speaker of the poem is a small kid.

2) Is she/he afraid or curious, or both?

A. He/she was both curious and afraid. The creaking noise of hinges at night and the feeling of someone staring at him/her make the child feel afraid. While the thought that the shed was his/her brother's den makes him/her curious.

3) What is she/he planning to do soon?

A. She/He is planning to go inside the shed soon.

4) "But not just yet..." suggests the doubt, fear, hesitation, laziness or something else. Choose the word which seems right to you. Tell others why you chose it.

A "But not just yet..." suggests the

hesitation of the poet about going inside that shed.

Though he/she is confident that there are no ghosts inside but still she/he hesitate to step inside and leaves the matter to be handled in near future, gathering up more courage.