Power

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Quick Questions

SLIME

1. Number the events 1-4 to show the order that they happen in the text.

☐ Ned was flying high above the sea.	☐ A giant eagle swooped down below Ned.
☐ Ned felt something he had never felt before.	☐ The bird of slime said that Ned could be anything.

2. What did Ned see below him? Tick two.

○ rainbow ○ trees ○ birds ○ people

3. Why do you think the author has used capital letters for the word 'POWER'?

4. How do you think Ned felt at the end of this text?

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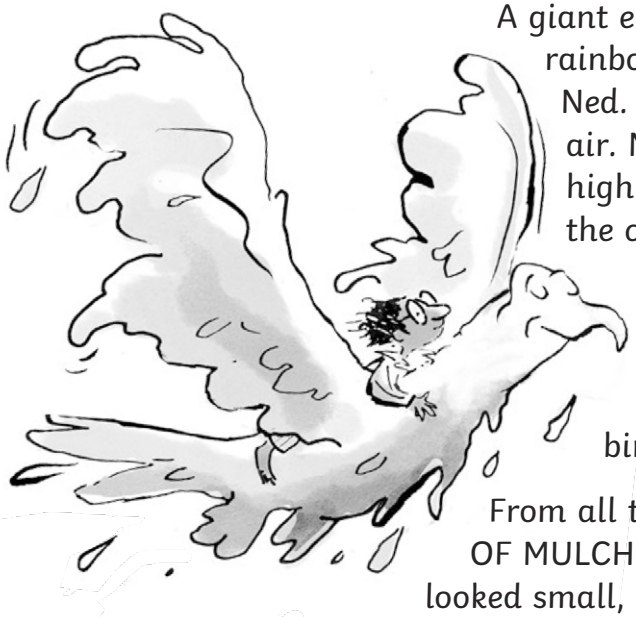

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3. Why do you think the author has used capital letters for the word 'POWER'?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the author has used capital letters for the word 'POWER' to show the sheer importance and potential of this newfound strength to Ned.

4. How do you think Ned felt at the end of this text?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Ned might feel excited because he feels strong and powerful, which he has never felt before.

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