

The Iron Man By Ted Hughes

Chapter 4: The Space Being and the Iron Man.

1. What is the 'strange news' that everybody is talking about at the beginning of Chapter 4?
2. Why did the people of Earth tremble and weep and pray to God?
3. Why do you think Hughes chooses to repeat the word 'terribly' so often as he describes the space-bat-angel-dragon landing on Australia?
4. How do you feel when you read about the space-bat-angel-dragon?
5. Why has Ted Hughes used a mixture of lowercase and uppercase letters in the words BIGger, Grew and NEARer?
6. What do you think the Iron Man will do when he goes against the monster from space?