Do the preparation exercise first. Then read the text and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation
Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

1. gripping  a. a condition in which one part of the body is not the normal shape
2. a deformity  b. holding your interest
3. an award  c. an infectious disease that can cause death
4. classmates  d. causing an emotional reaction
5. bullying  e. nervous or worried
6. the plague  f. a prize that is given for good work
7. moving  g. people in the same class
8. anxious  h. being repeatedly cruel or aggressive towards someone

1. Check your understanding: true or false
Circle True or False for these sentences.

1. Auggie is an ordinary boy who looks different.  True  False
2. Before going to school, Auggie was taught by his father.  True  False
3. Nobody talks to Auggie on his first day at school.  True  False
4. The reviewer didn’t enjoy the book.  True  False
5. The book makes you want to continue reading.  True  False
6. The story is told through the eyes of different characters.  True  False
7. Wonder is now being studied in schools.  True  False
8. In the future, you’ll be able to see a film of the book.  True  False
2. Check your vocabulary: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

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1. Auggie was born with _______________ of the face and his _______________ shocks people.
2. On his first day at school, Auggie feels really _______________. He worries that the other kids will call him _______________ names.
3. Wonder is a fast-moving and _______________ book. You find yourself reading it even when you only have time for a couple of pages.
4. Auggie is a very likeable central _______________, with a good sense of _______________.
5. Wonder has been a ________________ in the United States and has won several _______________.

Discussion

Have you read Wonder?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.