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Reading Tasks Paper 1 – *Old Ghosts (Short Story)*

Read *Old Ghosts Short Story* and complete the following tasks:

**Task 1:** Find an example, from the short story, of the following features (language & structural) the writer has used:

1. Personification
2. Alliteration
3. 2 Adverbs
4. A minor sentence (one word):
5. 2 verbs
6. Sentences with the following punctuation:
   * + Question Mark **?**
     + (Dash) -
     + (Dialogue) “…..”

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| Task 1 answers: |
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**Task 2:** Check the meaning of the following sophisticated vocabulary and find 2 synonyms (similar word meanings) to match each word. This really helps you develop your vocabulary!

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| **Sophisticated Vocabulary** | **Synonyms (similar word meanings)** |
| breathless | *panting, puffing* |
| absorbed |  |
| avoids |  |
| inquisitive |  |
| lukewarm |  |

**Task 3:** Write a short summary about the character of JIM. How does he come across in the story? (use quotes as evidence). Remember to write what you think and feel about Jim too (the effect on the reader).

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| Task 3 answer: |
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Once you have completed these tasks, email the document to your English Tutor for marking.

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