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## **Quick Questions**



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## Answers



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 Do you think Howard Carter was scared? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
 Accept yes or no provided that it is backed up with relevant evidence from the text, e.g. 'No because he said that the curse will not stop him.'



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Accept any reasonable summary which includes the key points of the text in twenty words or less.



 What do you think happened next?
 Accept any reasonable prediction exploring themes of opening the tomb, making the discovery, etc.



