Chapter One

Vocabulary

What sort of words are fizz and crackle?

What phrase on page 2 shows that the fireworks got harder to make?

What phrase on page 8 shows that the elephant is annoyed with Chulak?

What word on page 10 means being lazy?

Infer

How do you know Lila really wants to be a firework maker?

Why might Lila be horrified at the thought of a husband?

Why was the elephant annoyed being written on?

What sort of things were written on the elephant?

Vocabulary Infer Predict Explain Retrieve Sequence or Summarise

Predict

Predict what the final secret of firework making it might be.

Explain

Why do you think the author chooses to not tell you exactly where the story is set?

Retrieve

What is the firework maker's name?

What is his daughter's name?

How many crackle dragons fit on a string?

What does Lila call her first firework?

Why was the white elephant a punishment?

What is the elephant's servant's name?

Who is Hamlet in love with?

What does Lalchan say is the final part of being a firework maker?

Summarise

Summarise your impressions of Lila in five words.