



READERS' CORNER

COMPREHENSION CHECK

1. Answer the questions.

1. What can you do when you're afraid?
2. What are irrational or extreme fears called?
3. How does John Trenchard react when he finds Blackbeard's skeleton?
4. Why does John Trenchard fear for his life?
5. Why can't the dog Tietjens sleep inside the house at night?
6. Which American author was very interested in curses, witches, ghosts and sins?
7. Who is often called the master of the horror story and why?

2. FUN QUIZ

What's the name of *your* phobia? Circle the correct answer a, b or c.

1. If you're afraid of heights, you have
 - a. cynophobia.
 - b. xenophobia
 - c. acrophobia
2. You have aerophobia if
 - a. you're afraid of flying.
 - b. you're afraid of storms.
 - c. you're afraid of insects.
3. If you're afraid of closed or crowded spaces, you have
 - a. nyctophobia
 - b. clausterphobia
 - c. hydrophobia
4. You have arachnophobia if
 - a. you're afraid of spiders.
 - b. you're afraid of the dark.
 - c. you're afraid of water.

3. YOUR EXPERIENCE

What is the scariest story you have ever read?.....

