

The caves had always been a place for adventure, mysterious and intriguing. However, there were places that no one visited – not if you believed the stories passed down through the generations.

Elijah and Garrett weren't from round here though, laughing off shouted warnings as they vanished into the gloom.

Their torches illuminated a small section, revealing nothing, until one wall turned black – someone had lit fires. They had also left etchings of prehistoric times. As Garrett reached out to touch them, smoke rose from the floor engulfing them both. Strange figures appeared from the darkness – ancient eyes stared at them.



1. What might the stories have been that were passed down?
2. Describe Elijah and Garrett in 3 words – why did you choose them?
3. Describe what Elijah and Garrett might have seen as they walked through the caves.
4. Who might the 'ancient eyes' be that appear? Why do you think this?
5. How might Elijah and Garrett's feelings change from the beginning to the end of this passage?

A Starter for 10

Be a detective.



Find out about cave paintings. What objects were painted? Why were they painted?
Where were the first cave paintings found? Where can famous cave art be found? Find these on a map.
How old are cave paintings?
Stone Age people also made statues and musical instruments – what were these? Why were they significant?
What were Stone Age paints made from? How were they made?